



**HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
29 March 2019**

Dear Parents,

What lovely weather we have had this week. It has been great to see so many children on the field after school with parents watching and chatting on the hill. Let's hope the weather lasts.

Next week we will be having parent meetings – do sign up for an appointment or give the office a ring if that's easier.



Today we had a visit from Helen and Mel from Wylve Valley Farming Group who led an assembly to tell us all about preserving the habitat of the White Letter Hairstreak butterfly which rely on Elm trees to complete their lifecycle. Afterwards, gardening club and school councillors planted some elm trees in the school field. The children also had a great time looking



for worms! There are more photos on the website (gallery – special activities & visits)

Next Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, the last day of term, HEFA would love the children to wear an Easter themed costume to school – this could be a full outfit or even an Easter bonnet. There will be small prizes for the 'best dressed' child in each cohort. In return, HEFA would ask you to donate a small teddy bear for the teddy tombola at the summer fayre.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Godfrey and Team

**This term's Christian value: SERVICE**

*"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth"*

Muhammad Ali

In our worship this week, we considered how Queen Elizabeth recognizes those who have served her kingdom or her people.

## Share the Miracle

As part of our learning about 'service', we are collecting Easter eggs for 'Share the Miracle' (<https://www.sharethemiracle.org/>) Please leave any donations by the front office.



HEFA (Heytesbury Education Fundraising Association) would like to thank all parents, children, and staff who supported the school disco on Friday night. £200.20 was raised and the children had a great night. Our resident DJ, Nettie, did the most amazing job and we are very grateful to her. A huge thanks also to all the parents and staff who helped out. More photos on the website in 'gallery'.



The children enjoyed their tennis coaching this week. A letter has been sent home about an after school tennis club.



## We are a 'nut-free' school

**Please, please,** remember we are a nut free school for we have a child in the school and another in Hedgehogs who have severe nut allergies – not only can they re-act to eating nuts, but if they touch something where nuts have been or if



they touch someone's hands, if that person has been handling/eating nuts. In lunchboxes, the children can not have peanut butter or nutella sandwiches; any nutella type bars/treats; cereal bars or pesto pasta (pine nuts).



We also request that cakes donated for any event do not contain nuts or are decorated with nuts. We thank you for your support with this.

## Heytesbury Village Duck Race: Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> April

It will soon be time for the annual duck race. You can purchase 'a duck' from next week, after school £1 each.

On the day, HEFA will be selling refreshments at the event.



### THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

#### DIAMOND

Talia

#### SAPPHIRE

#### EMERALD

William

#### RUBY

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

#### Maths Passports

Asia – India: Ben

Asia – Japan: William, Barney

Don't forget to check in with the school website as the first place for any information required.

<http://www.heytesbury.wilts.sch.uk/website>

### SCHOOL DIARY — TERM 4

March 29<sup>th</sup> – Otters Cake Sale

April 1<sup>st</sup> – full reports distributed Y1 – Y6

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Year 6 Bikeability Bike checks

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Parents Evening

April 4<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening

April 4<sup>th</sup> – HEFA Mufti Day

April 5<sup>th</sup> – TD Day – school closed to pupils

April 20<sup>th</sup> – Heytesbury Village Duck Race

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Start of Term 5

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Beetle Drive

**Please note change to Parents' Evening date**

Your child should have brought home a data form last week – please return these as soon as possible so we can ensure your child's contact information is correct.



**MYAH**

### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

**Deadline for ordering meals for first week back to school after Easter is 12 noon on 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

## Learning Corner

### **Badgers:**

In maths, Y6 are focussing on using 'RUSCAC' when tackling problem solving to ensure there are no careless slips, revising course content and exam technique.

Y5 maths learning lunches are continuing this week where the focus is on problem solving. In class lessons they are using their knowledge of angles in 2 D shapes, on a point, on a line and within a right angle to find missing values.

Year 4 Maths: This week we have moved on to decimals. The children have been finding decimal equivalents for one quarter, two quarters, and three quarters, dividing by ten and one hundred and counting in decimals.

In science, we are completing our experiment to find out what happens to our bodies (in particular our heart rate) when we undertake increasingly challenging exercise. We will be looking in more depth at the human heart and circulatory system.

### **Foxes:**

This week in Foxes we have been looking at where people in the Stone Age lived. We have learned about Skara Brae in Scotland. The children had a go at making their own Stone Age village outside in the garden, see if you can find them.

In Maths, we have been revising fractions. Year 2 have been finding fractions of amounts including money while year 3 have been ordering and comparing fractions with different denominators.

In English we have been learning about the features of an information book. We have also started to plan our own, which we will write next week.

### **Otters:**

This week in English, we have been reading non-fiction texts and identifying features of the genre. We practised asking questions orally, then we talked about facts that we discovered about Owls and other nocturnal animals. Hopefully, we will have lots of ideas to write in our non-fiction texts next week.

In, Maths we have been subtracting by counting back using objects, our fingers and number lines. Later in the week we looked at ways to solve missing number questions eg  $7 - \_ = 4$ .

In RE, we discussed the symbol of the cross on hotcross buns and the importance of this symbol to Christians especially at Easter. Then we ate our hotcross buns, yummy! In science, we completed our topic on animals by investigating the food eaten by different animals and sorting them into carnivore, herbivore and omnivore.