HEADLEY PARK
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter: 9th October

Headteacher's Welcome



Despite the IT issues we have faced over the last few weeks, it continues to be a great term here at HPPS. The children continue to show fantastic attitudes and it's great to see clubs have started. It has been particularly nice to see so many families in school so far this term and I hope you are enjoying the opportunity to spend more time in classes this year.

Earlier this week, you will have been sent the first short parent/carer survey. This centres around how your child is settling into the new school year, what you have found useful and what we might tweak in the future. I would really appreciate you taking a few minutes to provide any constructive feedback so that we can continue to improve our offer for both the children and our families.

As the wet and colder weather is fast becoming the new norm, please ensure the children come to school prepared to be outdoors- coats will be needed for play and lunchtimes.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Headley Park News

FLU VACINATIONS

Children in Reception to Year 6 are now able to have a flu vacination on the NHS. This can stop children suffering from seasonal illness which can result in serious illness. Please use the link below: https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2026/consent?v=3



HEALTHY CHOICES

Please ensure that any snacks for morning break time are healthy snacks. This may be: fruit, a yoghurt, raisins, a cereal bar etc. Snacks must not contain nuts.
Children's bottles should only contain water which can be accessed in classrooms throughout the school day. If your child has a packed lunch, a small squash can be included here.

VIEW YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE

You can now access your child's attendance via the Arbor app. This allows you to see their attendance to date. Remember, the aim is over 96%. The app takes a few hours to update once our registers are complete.

YOU SAID, WE DID

In the parent/carer survey at the end of last year, you said you would like dates to shared as early as possible. That is why we've included an extra 'Christmas dates' page in this newsletters.
This page will be updated with dates as they are confirmed and the first can be found in this week's newsletter. Timings will be confirmed shortly.

UNIQUE VOICE HALF TERM

Unique Voice are delighted to host another Stay & Play for young people with SEND in Headley Park Community Centre BS13 7NW .
This will take place on Monday 26th October from 9:30am - 1:30pm. You are welcome to join at any time during these hours. Please see the info provided below:
' We will be hosting a range of arts & crafts, games, food crafts and sensory play, led totally by the young people in our session. We love being able to offer autonomy and creative choice to all children who come to our session and we look forward to seeing you there in October. To reserve your fully funded place, please follow this link: eequ.org/book/uniquevoice'

Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 95.3%

THE IMPORTANCE OF DAYS MISSED

If your child has an attendance of 90%, this equates to missing 4 weeks of school across the year. This means they are likely to have signficant gaps in their learning.

CELEBRATING INCREDIBLE ATTENDANCE

At HPPS we celebrate atttendance in every praise assembly. This term the class with the highest attendance will celebrate with a trip to the park on **Thursday 22nd October.**

WaHP Awards

Well done to our WaHP winners!

Park: Jimmi and Amelia
Aardman: Grayson and David
Cameron: Xander and Ivy
Simpson: Arthur and Milan
Kenney: Samuel and Zac
More: Cyrus
Davy: Zac and Eli
Brunel: Meadow and Meila
Banksy: Finn and Myla
Long: Husna and Lettie
Cousins: Nora and Alfie
Genge: Imogen and Amaya
Campbell: Brandon and Ada
Stephenson: Lottie, Sarah and George

Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?
12/10	Flu Vaccinations	YR - Y6 Children
14/10 - 16/10	Residential camp	Y6 children
15/10 at 3pm	Information on the Multiplication Times Table Check (This will be recorded for those unable to attend)	Y4 parents/carers
20/10 , 9 - 10am	School Nurse and Primary Mental Health Family Drop in	All welcome
23/10	Last day of term. School reopens on Monday 2nd Nov	All children
6/11	FoHP Firework Display	All welcome!
10/11 and 12/11	Progress Reports Evening. Appointments available 3.30pm - 6pm. The booking link will be sent via email.	YN - Y6
16/11	Odd-socks day	All children
18/11	Individual School Photos	All children
27/11	INSET Day - school closed	All children

Christmas Diary Dates

What?	When?	Extra Information
FoHP Pantomime	1St December	Held at Headley Park Church. Volunteers to support this would be appreciated. Please let your child's class teacher know if are available.
YR Christmas Performance	2nd December	2.15pm at HPPS
Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performances	3rd December	Y2 families - 9am start at HPPS Y1 families - 2.30pm at HPPS
Christmas Lunch	9th December	Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper
Y3 & Y4 Christmas Performance	9th December	9.30am - Hosted by Headley Park Church
Y5 & Y6 Christmas Performance	10th December	9.30am - Hosted by Headley Park Church
FoHP 'Elfridges' Shop	11th December	Tickets purchased in advance via FoHP
Rocksteady Performance	16th December	9am at HPPS

NURSERY

Parents/carers will be invited to attend Christmas activities and songs in the classroom. These dates will be confirmed in the next newsletter on 23rd October.

Nursery

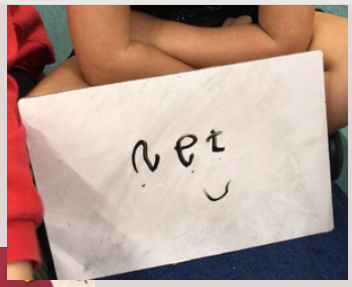
Nursery have been reading the three little pigs. They read the story and then created the pigs using paint and their fine motor skills.

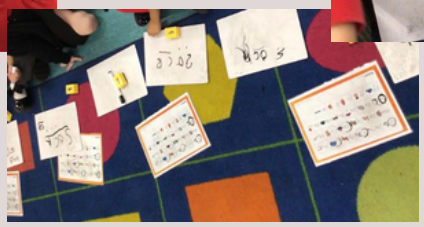




THIS TERM'S CLASS COLLAB: 12TH OCTOBER (START OF THE WEEK AND FULL TIME CHILDREN)- 2.45 - 3.15PM
15TH OCTOBER (END OF THE WEEK CHILDREN)- 2.45 - 3.15PM







Reception

In Reception we have been discussing how we are all unique and should treat each other fairly and kindly. Here we are practising taking turns in a fishing game! Over the last few weeks in reception the children have been working really hard at starting to write CVC words using the phase 2 sounds they have learnt. We have also been sharing the book Standing up to Racism. In maths we have been thinking about the numbers 2 and 3.

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Year One

Year one have had some very special visitors - tortoises! They observed them and then sketched them.





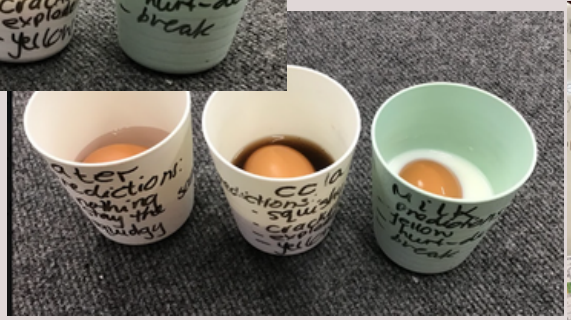


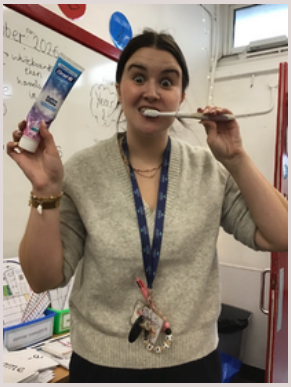
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Year Two

Year 2 had so much fun in PSHE this week, learning all about how we can look after our teeth. We carried out an experiment on the effects of different drinks and predicted what would happen. Miss Thompson even demonstrated teeth brushing and the children ensured this was for the full 2 minutes!







THIS TERM'S CLASS COLLAB: 15TH OCTOBER, 2.30 - 3.15PM

Year Three

Davy class have already earnt their first marble reward. They chose to have some extra time on the adventure plus some outdoor colouring. Well done Davy class!





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Year Four

Year 4 enjoyed a trip to the local river for their enrichment passport. We spotted features of rivers including meanders and tributaries as well as rocks at the bottom. The children were also able to identify which direct the source and mouth were because of the way the water was flowing.

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Year Five

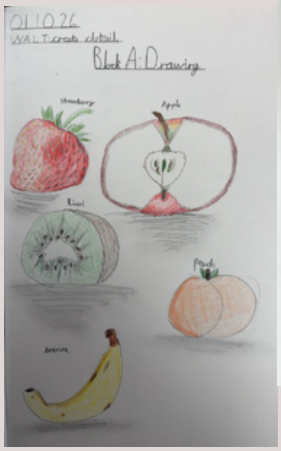
A brilliant effort by our Year 5/6 Football Team who lost in the final of the ESFA competition on Tuesday - the boys played incredibly well at a tough level, conceding just one goal in the entire competition.



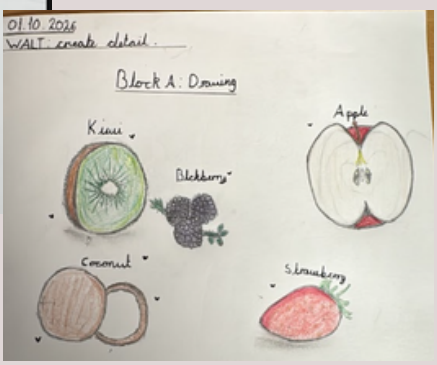
THIS TERM'S CLASS COLLAB: <u>COUSINS CLASS- 19TH OCTOBER</u> - 2.45PM. GENGE CLASS - 22ND OCTOBER- 2.45PM

Year Six

Year six have been completing observational drawings. They have considered 3D shape and shading to bring their images alive!







THIS TERM'S CLASS COLLAB: 20TH OCTOBER - 2.30PM