



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

We are a happy Christian school, where everyone is helped to be the best they can.

Friday 9th October, 2020



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Recycle 4 School

This year, we will be participating in the **Recycle 4 School** project. The project organisers are unable to send out collection bags so please fill bin bags with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys. Your donations will be collected on **Monday 23rd Nov at 9:00am** and details of the collection procedures will be issued nearer the time. All items collected will be used to support families in need and our PTFA will also receive a donation for the items collected.

May & June PTFA Lucky Numbers Winner

Thank you to everybody who has entered this year's lucky Numbers Draw. Your kind generosity is very much appreciated. We've got quite a few draws to catch up with so we will announce two winners each week until we have caught up. May's winning number is **30** and June's winning number is **22**. Well done to our lucky winners, **Liz McEvoy** and **Ruth Brown** who both win £25. Congratulations to our winners and good luck to everyone in next month's draw.

PTFA Events

After the PTFA's AGM last week, we have a number of events to look forward to over the next few weeks. Further details have already or will soon be sent home, via email.

- **22nd October**- Pumpkin Carving Competition
- **22nd October**- Celebrate the Season Treat Boxes
- **WC 9th November**- Guess the Flag Competition
- **27th November**- Chocolate Non-uniform Day

Christmas Cards

Your child's wonderful Christmas card designs have been sent home this week. If you would like to purchase cards, coasters, gift tags or mugs with your child's design, then please complete the form and return it to school, via the class teacher, by **Monday 12th October** at the latest. If you would like to pay online for any of these items then please indicate this on the form and use these details:

Acc Number: **40525945**

Sort Code: **01-01-94**

Acc Name: **Heskin Pemberton CE School PTFA**

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 - Our focus this week has been 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff' traditional tale. After reading the book, we investigated how the story could be retold with puppets. Then, using a story a map to help us remember the sequence, we took turns to perform for our friends in the Puppet Theatre. Next, we practised using our cutting skills to make a Billy Goat headband. After building a bridge in the Construction Area outside, we wore our goat costumes when performing our own version of the story in small groups. Could we use our voices to help us become the character? We met Number Two during Numbertime, showing how we could represent that amount with objects, drawings or the numeral. We also discovered how 2 could be split into two parts of 1 and 1 and joined again to make 2. During RE, we have been thinking of ways in which we are special and how we can make others feel special too.

Class 2 - This week we have been re-telling the story of Katie Morag and the two Grandmothers. We have all made photostories so we can record ourselves being the story tellers. We have also re-told the story in our Isle of Struay small world area. Year 2 collected language from the text to use in their story telling in preparation for next week's writing. In Maths, Year 1 have been counting forwards and backwards and finding one more and one less. Year 2 have been comparing objects and numbers using the language greater than, more than, less than, fewer and equal to. We have also used the symbols <, > and =. In RE, we reflected on how we need to look after the wonderful world God created for us. In art we sketched Katie Morag's Ted and we needed to use the sketching pencils to shade different tones to show the different colours.

Class 3 - In Maths, we have been using our knowledge of place value to solve problems. We have used it to add and subtract 1, 10, 100 and 1000 to and from different numbers and to compare numbers to say which ones are more or less. In Science, we carried on learning about nutrition. We used the laptops to research the nutrients found in different foods before we checked the nutrients in our favourite meals. Some were very healthy and some not so! In English, we have been looking at the use of adverbs. We have also been thinking about how many times the numbers three, and seven are used in Folk and Fairy tales. We have finally added sound to our topic PowerPoints and are becoming computer whizzes. In PE we have started to learn the skills involved in tennis. Thank you for all the amazing work you have posted on Seesaw. You're definitely a class of smart cookies! We hope you have enjoyed using it. We've certainly had fun looking at your work and listening to your recordings.

Class 4 - This week in Maths we have been thinking about ways to divide large numbers. When we are dividing by a single digit, we looked at using the short bus stop method. Then, when we are dividing by a number with two digits, we practised using chunking or the drop-down method! In English, we have been thinking about how to use verbs to open our sentences and how to use similes to create stronger imagery. In Science, we looked at how to separate materials based on their material properties. We had great fun deciding how to separate salt from water!

COVID-19 Guidance

Further to my email, earlier this week, here is the latest guidance relating to who is required to self-isolate in certain situations.

- If a member of your household has been asked to self-isolate and **they do not display** any COVID-19 symptoms, they should self-isolate for 14 days but others in the household are not required to do so unless they have also been identified as a close contact.
- If, however, a member of your household has been asked to self-isolate and **they do display** any of the primary COVID-19 symptoms, **all members of the household** should self-isolate for 14 days or until the symptomatic person receives a negative test.

In order to keep our Heskin family safe, I would ask you to follow this guidance and keep your child off school, informing myself or Mrs Carrier as soon as anyone in your household displays any symptoms. **Please do not wait for a positive test result before self-isolating.**

THANK YOU & CONGRATULATIONS!!!

First of all, I would like to pass on my heartfelt thanks for the generous donations received for our hand sanitiser stations. Not only did the PTFA collect enough money for each class to have their own station we also received an additional £125 which, I'm sure, will be spent wisely by our School Council. Secondly, I would like to congratulate everyone who took part in our sanitiser poster competition. We had some excellent entries and the winners are **Florence T, Matilda T, Zoe M** and **Rosie F**. Their artwork is now being displayed on the four sanitiser stations around school.



Parents' Evenings

I hope that the parents who met with the class teachers on Wednesday had a productive discussion about how well the children are settling in to their new year groups and new routines. We look forward to seeing the rest of you, via Zoom, on **Tuesday 13th October**.

2021 Primary & Secondary School Admissions

You can now apply for school places for next September via www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools Supplementary Faith Forms are available on our school website. The closing dates for admission applications are:

Primary: 15th January, 2021 & Secondary: 31st October, 2020.

Please do not hesitate to speak to me if you have any questions regarding admissions, and please encourage anyone who is interested in their child joining our fantastic school next year to contact me to arrange a visit.

Important Dates:

- 13.10.20: Virtual Parents' Evening.**
- 23.10.20: School Closes for Half term.**
- 02.11.20: INSET DAY.**
- 03.11.20: School Reopens.**
- 17.11.20: Nasal Flu Vaccinations.**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to this week's SUPERSTARS!

R: Maddie T

Y1: Matilda T

Y2: Bridget E

Y3: Lilly May H

Y4: Kendall Mc

Y5: Rosie F

Y6: Rory B

Well done to you all.

Joke of the Week:

Our joke of the week comes from my friend's little boy, **Mark**.

My dog, Minton, has just chewed all of my shuttlecocks.

Bad Minton!

Well done, Mark. I love a joke that makes me giggle and groan at the same time!!!

If you've got a funny joke that you think would tickle my funny bone then please pass it on to me for our newsletters.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mr Alan Brindle'.

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher