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Monday Tuesday Choir 3.30-4.30pm Rocksteady Netball 3.30-4.30pm Multi Sports Skills 3.30-4.15pm	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Kidz with Bricks 3.30-4.30pm Change Makers 3.30-4.45pm	Football 3.30-4.30pm		
Heart of England Trip - Y3			
HSBC School Bank 8.30-9am			

News from The Executive Head's Desk

Take the time this week to stop, pause a moment, and enjoy the changes to the seasons. The trees are changing colour and there is an array of different shades and hues. It is important that we all find time to breathe gently and slow down in our ever hectic lives.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our parent consultations this week. We hope you enjoyed looking at how much progress your child has made in these early weeks of the Autumn term, but also the wide ranging curriculum we offer.

Data is a very small part of our lives in school. What is important is the knowledge and skills we teach the children. It is also vital that we find time to recap learning with the children so they retain as much knowledge as possible for their choice of future careers. In lessons we start by asking the children '5 a-day Questions' to help them remember key facts/events/knowledge before we move on to teaching them new things. There are always lots of opportunities to consolidate everything they have learnt and apply it. Try it at home, for example when your child has read a

page in their reading book. Ask them 5 things. If you have been watching a film together or something exciting on the TV ask you child to tell you 5 things they heard. Keep learning spellings, times tables and where places are in the world. Building knowledge is key to success.

Mrs Withers is working closely with our house captains to promote values and our one school rule of RESPECT. The children are leading this and have lots of ideas which will contribute to our learning improvement plan. Our Year 6 pupils are a vital part of our school as they support the rest of the children in different ways. They look after our Reception pupils really well and are extremely nurturing. They prepare the hall for our assemblies and are the experts in IT and music. Our Year 6 pupils are also sports leaders and work with Mr Scarlett and Mr Gardner to improve the sporting opportunities in our school; they also help to organise and look after the equipment.

Another of the children's responsibilities is helping to organise and run the library on a day-to-day basis. Our librarians work closely with Mrs Bean to look after the library, log the books and run reading clubs at lunchtime. Last Tuesday it was a hive of activity as the younger children were able to sit quietly and listen to different books being read to them. Our new digital system is a huge success and has already transformed how the books are being used.

In Science, Year 6 have also explored how different beaks on birds work and had their very own 'Battle of The Beaks' investigation! Get them to tell you all about it. So as you can see, Year 6 isn't just about SATs, it is also about being model citizens, investigators, explorers and problem solvers.

You may have noticed some extra smart staff around school this week. Mr Scarlett, Mr Gardner, Miss White, Mrs Fade, Mr Hodgkins and Miss Blake all have a new uniform for teaching sport. They look great in our school colours plus they have their initials sewn on so if they lose it we can always make sure it gets back to them!

As well as uniforms, you may have spotted staff in costumes this week too! The children had a 'super' lunchtime on Thursday, where the lunch time staff dressed as super heroes. There were lots of excited children's faces whilst they enjoyed eating some delicious looking super hero cakes. What a treat!

Have an absolutely crazy weekend.

'Happy Weekend. Life is short, grab a friend and do whatever excites your spirit and makes your soul sing with joy.' Karen Kostyla

Mrs Humphriss

Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon are Years 3 and Reception with 99%. Well Done!



- As the weather gets
- $\stackrel{\times}{\downarrow}$ wetter and colder,

WINNER!!!

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- 🖌 child has appropriate
- ★ clothing and footwear

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- ☆ for all school activities
- \star including playtime and
- visits to the Paddock!



Year 2 - Was Guy Fawkes Framed?



We have been learning about Guy Fawkes' role within the Gun Powder Plot. The children have each chosen a plotter and made a spoon puppet,

which they have used to act out the events leading up to November 5th!

Half Term Club

WildTribe holiday club in the Heart of England Forest. Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

The Heart of England Forest, which is a few miles outside Stratford, will be running its new holiday club during October half term.

At £30 per day (plus small Eventbrite fee), the club runs from 8.30am to 5.30pm to suit working parents and is open to children aged 5 years old and over who love getting outdoors, learning about nature and having fun in the woods.

Autumn is a magical time for spending time in the forest and activities will include whittling wands, seasonal arts and crafts, outdoor cooking and scavenger hunts, with lots of hot chocolate and marshmallows thrown in!



To find out more and book, visit

http://heartofenglandforest.com/childrenandfamilies

Super Hero Day!



Our amazing kitchen team made the 'Fabulous Food

Factorv' even more SUPER on Thursday as our lunch

time superheroes defended the children against boring food!

FOSP - Autumn Disco

Consent forms have been sent home this week. T In The School Hall Friday 18th October KS1 6.00-7.00pm KS2 7.30-8.30pm £3.50 per person Refreshments will be served in the Room Of Imagination if any parents want to stay Please bring filled water bottles **Consent form required for admission**

ns 15 minutes before each d children MUST NOT be left u il they have been checked-in

Please send payments in in a named, sealed envelope, to the school office.

All Parents

We wanted to let parents know, if they aren't already aware, that the majority of year groups have a helpful WhatsApp group used to communicate between parents. These have been set up by parents as a quick way for helping with any

questions or useful reminders.

Please note, this is not a service run by the school, however if you aren't already a member but have a smart phone and would find it useful to be added to your child's year group, please ask one of the parents of the children in your class who will put you in touch with the relevant group administrator.

Finally, whilst the school realises that this can be a forum to air concerns, we would much rather that, if you have a problem, you speak directly to your child's class teacher or the school office.

Year 6 - Battle of the Beaks!





Year 6 scientists have been investigating Darwin's Theory of Evolution in their 'Battle of the Beaks' experiment. They have been predicting, fairtesting, collecting data, finding averages, drawing conclusions and having fun! Next stop - survival of the fittest on Chocolate Button Island!



Uniform Sale!

A HUGE thank you to Mrs. Wood who has painstakingly sorted and labelled all the school uniform we have, ready for our next uniform sale!

We will hold our next sale before Half Term so watch this space for more details from our:





