



Welcome to

Heronswood Primary School and Pre-School

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C. of E. Academy Trust

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Wednesday 8th March 2017

World Book Day Success

What a fantastic day! The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and showed just how much they love to read.

We had a fantastic turn out for 'Bedtime Stories' too! A huge thank you to the parents who read to the Pre-school and Year Reception children.



Parenting Classes

Looking for hints and tips on how to support your family? Please see the final page of the newsletter for parenting class opportunities.

Parent Voice **Thursday 9th March**

If you have an questions, queries, positive news or contributions then please pass them onto your Class Representative.

See the notice board outside the Year Reception classrooms for further details.

Worcestershire Breast Unit Haven

Worcester Royal Hospital

This Unit provides clinical services and assists breast care needs. Please donate any unwanted bras to support this Unit. Please bring unwanted bras to the main office and place into the large container.

Class Photographs

Wednesday 26th April

Due to popular demand we have booked our photographer to take 'modern' class photographs.

Every child will be included in their class photograph unless parents give written confirmation that they would not like their child to be photographed.

Back to School

Thank you to all parents/carers who have attended our Back to School sessions. The children really enjoy sharing their learning with you. Look out for upcoming dates!

Polite Reminder

A reminder to all adults - when you are on our school grounds please ensure that your behaviour and language is polite, respectful and appropriate at all times.

Parents' Evening

If you were unable to attend Parent's Evening then please book an appointment with your child's class teacher.

It is expected that **ALL** parents/carers attend a meeting with their child's class teacher.
Thank you for supporting your child's education.

Year Reception

YR children continue to enjoy learning about the different jobs they can do when they are older. Thank you for all the people who have been in to do a talk; you have really brought the topic to life.

Next week we are creating a shop in the classroom and we kindly ask if you could collect food containers (e.g. boxes etc) to create our own mini supermarket. In Maths, we will be learning about money. We will be using 1p coins to make amounts. Please practise buying and selling with 1p coins at home.

We are really impressed with how quickly the children are learning their words that are sent home in their boxes. Please ensure the boxes stay in their book bags as we test them weekly to see if they need any new words. We have now moved the children on to the school reading scheme which is pink, red then yellow band. There is a wide range of books in each colour to enable children to experience different books and challenges.

Year 1

Year one are currently exploring halves and quarters of shape. This will support their future learning of halving (and then doubling) numbers. In English Year one are looking at a new text called Beegu, with the intention of innovating the text to create their very own monster.

We continue to explore the Great fire of London. Forest School will resume soon, so please keep an eye out for dates, they will be within the home-school diaries.

Year 2

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely, relaxing half term. The children have come back into school ready to learn and have amazed us already! In maths we have been focussing on shape, the children have identified 2D and 3D shapes and discussed the properties of each of these. In English the children have planned and written their own 'mixed-up fairy tales' based on the book 'Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book'. Please continue to support your children with their spellings, the children can now be practising these in a sentence in the back of their homework books as an extension if they find the words easy to learn. Thank you to the parents who have already sent in reply slips and money for the Freshwater Theatre visit, we are very excited about this as it will be a fantastic way to finish our work on The Great Fire of London.

Year 3/4

Our trips to Bishops Wood at the end of last half term were a huge success. We built shelters, hunted animals, ground seeds to make flour and immersed ourselves into Stone Age life. The staff at the centre were extremely impressed with our children, who followed all our school star values, and we're extremely proud! Another highlight of the half term was 4 HG's Dood Concert. The children showed commitment and dedication to learning an instrument and, once again, were a credit to you and the school. The Year 4 children in 3/4 LC now have Dood lessons and their concert will be held in the Summer Term.

Once again, this is going to be a busy half term for us. Let's start with a thank you to everyone who came along to our Back to School session. The children enjoyed sharing their learning and your positive feedback was much appreciated.

The Year 3 and 4 play is just around the corner! This year our production will be Pirates vs Mermaids. Scripts and song words have already been sent home so please encourage your children to practise their lines. Our aim is to keep the costumes for the play as simple as possible and we are currently putting together ideas to send out to you. As always, we thank you for your continued support.

Year 5/6

What a great start to this half term. World Book Day was fantastic! Children came to school with some amazing costumes that represented their favourite book. In topic, Year 5 & 6 have been looking at some local History of Kidderminster's canals and railway lines. We have also been looking at fractions decimals and percentages in maths, with some pupils taking their new-found understanding to the shops at the weekend.

Dates for your diary...

Date	Event	Children Involved	Parents Invited?	Time
Wednesday 8th March	Maths -Back to School	5TP, 5/6TM 6BK	Yes	9:00-9:45
Thursday 9th March	Parent Voice		Yes	8:40 start
Thursday 9th March	Open Day		Yes	1:30-6:30
Saturday 11th March	Open Day		Yes	9:30-12:30
Monday 13th March	WHP Drop in Session		Yes	8:30– 9:00
Wednesday 15th March	EYFS Music Festival	Year R		Morning
Thursday 16th March	3/4LC Learning Assembly	3/4LC	Yes	2:30-3:00
Monday 27th March	WHP Drop in Session		Yes	8:30– 9:00
Thursday 30th March	Freshwater Company Theatre Visit	1SC, 2CB, 2AL		2:30-3:00
Thursday 30th March	Bell Boating—Cookley	Y5 pupils		am or pm
Tuesday 4th April	Year 3 & 4 Performance	3WS, 4HG, 3/4 LC	Yes	TBC
Thursday 6th April	2AL Learning Assembly— NEW DATE	2AL	Yes	2:30-3:00
Friday 7th April	School closes for half term			
Monday 24th April	School opens			
Wednesday 26th April	Class photographs— <i>please put in writing</i>	All		
Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday			closed
Wednesday 3rd May	KS1—Singing Assembly	1WS, 2AL, 2CB	Yes	2:40-3:10
Wed 3rd May—Fri 5th May	Y4 Condover	Year 4 pupils		
w/c 8th May	Y6 SATs Week	Year 6 pupils		
Thurs 11th & Fri 12th May	Y4 Bikeability	Year 4 pupils		
Thursday 11th May	3WS Learning Assembly	3WS	Yes	2:30-3:00
Friday 12th May	Film Night	Pre-School—Y6		After School
w/c 15th May (2 weeks)	Y2 SATS	2CB, 2AL		
Thursday 25th May	Word Aware Day—Dress up as your favourite word. Parent Workshops More information to	Pre-School—Y6	Yes	TBC
Friday 26th May	TED– School Closed			
Monday 5th June	School Opens			
w/c Monday 12th June	Y1 Phonics Screening	1SC		
Tuesday 13th June	Heronswood Has Talent	Pre-School—Y6	Yes	After School
Friday 16th June	House of Parliament	Y6 pupils		
Wednesday 21st June	Sports Day—Pre-school, YR & KS1—am, picnic lunch and KS2 in afternoon	All	Yes	TBC
Thursday 22nd June	Year Reception Learning Assembly	RRR & RMM	Yes	
Friday 23rd June	Non –uniform (bottle/teddy)	Pre-School—Y6		
w/c Monday 26th June	Y6 Residential	Y6 pupils		
w/c Monday 26th June	Y5 Bikeability	Y5 pupils		
Thursday 29th June	Y1 Learning Assembly	1SC	Yes	
w/c Monday 3rd July	Transition Week - new classes	Pre-School—Y6		
Thursday 6th July	Summer Fair—bring cakes	Pre-School—Y6	Yes	3:30-5:30
Monday 10th July	Bell Boating Regatta	Y5 pupils		TBC
Thursday 13th July	Festival of Music	KS2 pupils	Yes	TBC

Dates for your diary...

Date	Event	Children Involved	Parents Invited?	Time
Friday 14th July	Non- school uniform	Pre-School—Y6		
Wednesday 19th July	Y5/6 Performance—afternoon and evening	Y5 and Y6	Yes	TBC
Thursday 20th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly	Y6	Yes	2:00-3:10
Thursday 20th July	Y6 BBQ/Rounders	Y6	Yes	3:30-
Friday 21st July	School Closes at 3:15pm			

Governors Update

It was lovely for the Deputy Vice-Chair and I to come into school and read to children on World Book Day. The costumes were fantastic and the excitement around reading was catching. Please keep making the time to read with your children at home, thank you.

Lisa Gregg, Chair of Governors.

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House Points: **Winner this week:** Avon with 107 house points

Severn: 903

Teme: 962

Avon: 1044

Stour 385

Reader of the Week:

Congratulations to our fantastic Readers:

Week beginning : 27th February 2017

Lilliana, Noah, Michael, Keira-
Leigh, Thea, Jamal, Ben, Bradley,
Shane-Lee and Chloe.



Star Writer:

Congratulations to our fantastic Writers:

Week beginning : 27th February 2017

Zack, Lelou, Kobe, Charlie, Archie, Eva,
Damien, Kieran, Billy, Ava and Carter.



Class of the Week: Class of the Week is awarded for outstanding in our **STARS** values. Our STARS values are - Safety, Trust, Achieve, Respect and Sharing. **Year 5/6 TM - Respect**

Attendance and Lates: Week beginning Monday 27th February

Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
RRR	98.18	1	2AL	97.2	1	5TP	97.78	0
RMM	97.27	0	3WS	98.46	0	5/6 TM	98.26	0
1SC	99.06	0	3/4 LC	96.8	3	6BK	99.58	0
2CB	100	0	4HG	92.41	0			



We are always late for school.

I have to shout before they take any notice.

It not like when I was a child, I don't know what they're doing on the computer.

Does this

The 'naughty step' doesn't work.



sound like you?

We have tried a reward chart and it doesn't work.

He/She goes on and on so I just give in for an easy life.

I put them to bed and they keep coming down again.....

My stepchildren just don't listen to me.



<http://www.flickr.com/photos/paulm/5574119017/>

Come with your partner/friend

Pick up hints and tips

Swap ideas about how best to manage children's behaviour



Family Links

The Nurturing Programme

Take a break and share your experience over a cup of coffee/tea with 10 other Parents/GrandParents/Carers/StepParents

FREE

St Catherine's CE Primary School, Marpool Lane, Kidderminster DY11 5HP

Tuesdays 6.00pm-8.00pm

Starts – 2nd May 2017

Ends – 18th July 2017

Refresher session on Tuesday 19th September 2017

For more information and to book a place call Wyre Forest & Hagley Project on 01562 851292

Parenting Courses

Please see details of upcoming parenting courses. Please contact 01562 851292



Positive Parenting Programme Plus

Take a break and share your experience over a cup of coffee/tea with 10 other Parents/GrandParents/Carers/StepParents

FREE

At Sutton Park Community Primary School
Greatfield Road, Kidderminster, DY11 6PH
Wednesdays 12.30-2.30pm

Starts – 3rd May 2017

Ends – 5th July 2017

Refresher Session Wednesday 13th September 2017

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