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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Star Wars Day!

It's such a beautiful time of year with bluebells covering the woods and spring blossom everywhere. We were very fortunate with the weather during the Year 3/4 Cross Country competition at Emmer Green Primary yesterday. Twenty nine of our children ran and we were really proud of them all. The Year 3 girls came 3rd in the team event. Many thanks to the staff at Emmer Green for organising this event and to all the parents who helped with transport.



Reception

We have used the story of Noah's Ark in so many ways this week. We've written pages for his log book and instructions for building an ark. We've solved different problems such as 'Noah can see 12 legs walking up the ramp - which combination of animals could it be?'. We're really impressing Mrs Edwards with our Athletics skills and showed great team work running relays this week.

Year 1

Thank you so much to our parents and the PTFA for buying the children's painted rocks and organising the Lolly Sale. It's really helped bring the cost of our trip to Marwell Zoo down. We've worked really hard on our alternative 'The Enormous Turnip' stories and enjoyed sharing them with children in the other class. We've been solving missing number problems in Maths and learning about the human body in Science. We loved making junk model animals and showing them in assembly.



Year 2

As part of our Pirate topic we've done some research on the notorious pirate 'Blackbeard' and have used this to write a non-chronological report about him. We can't wait to go on our trip to Lepe Park next month and are hoping the treasure maps we've been creating will help us find some treasure!

Year 3

We've spent time this week writing some poems and Mrs Edwards said she really enjoyed reading them. We're focussing on multiplication in Maths and have been planning how to create prints of the superstructures we researched.

Year 4

We've had such a busy week! We've been writing ghost stories based on our class text 'The Giant's Necklace' and looking at statistics using pictographs and bar graphs. We're looking at states of matter in Science and exploring how we can change the state of water. We linked our topic of weather to our French lesson and are going to be filmed broadcasting the weather in French next week. We hope you'll be able to come to our Cream Tea next Thursday 10th May at 3.30pm as the proceeds will be used to help fund our trip to the beaches on the South Coast.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day is on Friday 6th July on St Anne's field. It is a day where all children participate in field events in the morning and track events in the afternoon - gaining points for their houses. Parents and Grandparents are warmly invited to join us for the day and to bring a picnic to share with their child at lunchtime. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

Tri-Henley Open Water Triathlon

On Sunday 3 June Tri-Henley Triathlon Club is holding its inaugural Junior Triathlon at Shiplake College. The event is going to be a key event in the South Central Super Series and is supported by British Triathlon. The event is open to girls and boys from 7 - 16 years of age with the expectation that it will attract around 200 competitors (they already have 100 signed up!). The open water swim in the Thames followed by a cycle and run on the riverside pitches will challenge all competitors. The Club is very grateful to Shiplake College and Shiplake Farm as without their support they would not be able to run such an exciting event. Tri-Henley Triathlon Club trains twice a week, once at Shiplake College on Thursday evenings (6.30pm - 8.00pm) and on Wednesdays at Henley Leisure Centre pool (7.15pm - 8.00pm). The membership consists of boys and girls from Henley and the surrounding areas. They welcome juniors from the Spring of Year 6, through to the end of secondary school. Their members are of a range of abilities; they cater for those who are very serious about the sport and will qualify for the inter-regional championships at the end of the season as well as youngsters who have taken up triathlon for fun, exercise and to make new friends. Their head coach is Great Britain triathlete and professional individual coach, Sophie Whitworth. Sophie is supported by a team of her professional coaching contacts, plus parents of their junior members who have qualified as Level 1 and Level 2 triathlon coaches. For more information about the Club and entry to the event follow this link: www.trihenley.co.uk/events

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Rioghan and Stella (RED) Eryn and Ivy (RSR)

Year 1 - Miah, Amelia and Elspeth (1AP) Isaac and Hanga (1VH)

Year 2 - Karim, Frances and Chloe (2HK) Elyon, Natalia and Rishi (2SB)

Year 3 - Emma and Alyssia (3KF) Tara and Rhys (3SW)

Year 4 - Anna and Vaala (4CT)

Congratulations to you all!

Spotlight

Anna (RED) for achieving her Duckling Level 4 Badge in swimming.

Daisy (1AP) for achieving her Learn to Swim Stage 3 Badge, Stage 3 and 4 swimming and also learning to swim 5 metres.

Jessica (2SB) for making her Brownie Promise and achieving Level 4 in swimming.

Jenna (3KF) for achieving a distinction in her Grade 1 Violin Exam.

Joe (4CT) for being made a Sixer in Cubs.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 4 Cream Tea Fundraiser	Thursday 10 th May at 3.30pm
Green Park Mini Mile & 10K	Sunday 20 th May
INSET Day - School Closed to Pupils	Friday 25 th May
Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo	Wednesday 6 th June
Year 3 Lego Workshop	Thursday 7 th June
Year 2 Trip to Lepe Country Park	Friday 8 th June
Year 4 Beaches Trip	Thursday 14 th June
Reception Trip to Thatcham Nature Reserve	Friday 22 nd June
Sports Day	Friday 6 th July

I do hope you all enjoy a lovely Bank Holiday weekend.



Karen Edwards
Headteacher