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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

My family and I are still buzzing from the wonderful Scarecrow Trail last Sunday afternoon. Jerry, Rhian, Peppa (our dog) and I managed to walk and find all 38 Scarecrows in just under 2 hours. It was such a lovely family event and we were all blown away by the quality of the Scarecrows and time and effort put into designing and making them. It was incredibly difficult to have to decide winners of the 3 different categories but Mrs Fallon and I agreed that:

The **Funniest** Scarecrow Award should go to the Mann family with 'Gru and his Minions'.

The Most **Eco-Friendly** Scarecrow Award should go to the Spall and Clare families with their joint 'Moana' creation.

The Best **Overall** Award should go to the King-Gomez family with their house-sized 'BFG'.

Thank you to everyone who took part in both making the Scarecrows and making and selling cakes and refreshments on the day. Honestly, as a school community, you don't do anything by half - and that's meant as a huge compliment!



Welcome

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to the Wrottesley family who have joined us from London. Inigo has joined Year 5 and Coco has joined Year 2. Also a very warm welcome to the Stevens family who have moved to Caversham from another part of Reading. Sophie joins us in Year 4. We know you will make them all very welcome in our school community.

Farewell

We will be very sad to say goodbye to the Almatars who will return to Kuwait next week. We hope they all settle quickly and wish the whole family the very best for the future.

Summer Fayre

The Summer Fayre organised by the PTFA will be held on Saturday 22nd June between 12-3pm. The theme this year is The Greatest Showman. Further details will be sent in the near future so please hold the date!

Reception

We've continued with our theme of 'The Three Little Pigs' this week and loved re-telling the story as a puppet show. We've written 'sorry' letters from the Wolf to the Three Little Pigs and also created 'wanted' posters about the Big Bad Wolf. We had loads of fun creating wolf-proof houses with our friends and testing them with 'wolf' hairdryers. We are really enjoying our PE lessons where we're doing Athletics and can't wait for Sports Day.

Year 1

As you can imagine, we love our topic of Animals this term. We really enjoyed looking at symbolic animals and learning about which continents different animals originate from. We've started to learn about Aboriginal Art and to create our own and in English we're learning the traditional tale of The Enormous Turnip and the story of Mr Grumpy's Motor Car.

Year 2

We've been creating our own Lino prints for our Ocean project - transferring our designs last week to the Lino and using ink to print the pictures. In Maths we've been reading different scales and finding missing numbers on a scale. We've also been learning number fact families which have helped us to know the inverse operation for subtraction and addition.

Year 3

This week we've been looking at features of persuasive letters. We have been identifying these in model texts and using the features to help us write letters based on the book 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. Our new topic is Superstructures and we're really excited about our Lego Workshops in June. More than 20 of us took part in the Caversham School's Cross Country at Emmer Green on Tuesday and we were thrilled when the boys came 2nd overall as a team. Well done to all the runners and a particular mention must go to Lilly J who came 7th out of over 50 runners in the girls race, George who came 4th out of the same number of boys, Oscar who came 6th and Freddie who came 8th.



Year 4

This week, we've learnt about shape poems and read a number about the weather. We then wrote and published our own. We found Professor Bruge, a Meteorologist at Reading University really interesting, when he came to visit yesterday. He showed us how different instruments are used to measure and record the weather. In Science, we've been investigating the gas in fizzy drinks and whether it weighs anything and in Maths we're learning to use co-ordinates to describe positions on a grid in our Geometry topic. We also had a large group of us running in the Caversham Cross Country competition on Tuesday. It was very hot and hard work but we really enjoyed taking part and representing the school.

Year 5

As part of our 'It's all Greek to Me' topic, we've started to compare different Greek myths and heroes. We're going to use this to write our own myths featuring Greek heroes, creatures and Gods. We've also been investigating Greek Vases and have started to sketch our own designs. In Computing and Geography we've started to write our introductions to our independent research projects, comparing London, Athens and Kingston (Jamaica).

Walk to School Week

We will be taking part in the annual 'Walk to School Week' which, this year is taking place during the week of 20th - 24th May. We hope as many families as possible will join in with this event.

Headteacher Awards

3FH - Elyon, Lucy, Zuhair and Sara.

3SW - Audrey, Chloe, Ariana and Freddie.

4CT - Reem, Sophie, Thom and Alex.

4RR - Zachary, Indi, Abigail and Holly.

5JG - Tom, Rachel, Anna and Jack.

Spotlight

Swimming

Oliver (Year 3) for earning Level 3.

Freddie and George (Year 3) and Thom (Year 4) for earning Level 4.

Sara (Year 3) for earning Level 7.

Brownies

Aarna (Year 5) for earning her 'Grow Your Own' and 'Aviation' badges.

PGL Adventure Course

Rishi (Year 3) and Zachary (Year 4) for successfully completing the course with Cubs.

Football

Zachary (Year 4) for receiving Player of the Match in his first game for Caversham AFC.

Joshie (Year 4) for winning Player of the Match and scoring 4 goals in a game for his team Rotherfield Peppard.

Rugby

Joe, Xavier, Jack, George and Freddie (Year 3) for having a successful season at Abbey Rugby Club.

Sam (Year 3) and Holly (Year 4) for winning the 'Spirit of Abbey' award.

George and Freddie (Year 3) for being awarded 'Coaches Player of the Year' at Abbey Rugby Club.

Harry (Year 4) for being awarded 'Most Improved Player' at Abbey Rugby Club.

Gymnastics

Megan (Year 3) for achieving Level 7.

Chloe (Year 3) for achieving Level 4.

YingGe (Year 4) for achieving Bronze, scoring 9.5/10 in Vault.

Dance

Anna, Bea, Freya and Phoebe (Year 5) and Lily (Year 3) for performing in a dance show 'This is Me'.

Musical Theatre

Ava (Year 3) for winning a 'Star of the Term' award.

Ninja Knights

Fletcher (Year 4) for 'Star of the Week'.

Heights Values Poem by Lily (3FH)

Respect is diving down,
Thoughtfulness is swooping round,
1, 2, 3, 4
Co-operation twisting and turning,
Positivity is always learning,
1, 2, 3, 4
Commitment is committing rules,
Trust is telling people about mind-set tools.
1, 2, 3, 4
Courage having a go at things
Responsibility responsible for things
1, 2, 3, 4

This is our school value poem so remember our school values because they're here for you.

20 Mile Challenge

Eva for completing the challenge at her own pace.

Park Run

Theo for his 2nd Park Run and finishing in 28 mins and 48 seconds, coming 2nd in his U10 age group.

Well done all of you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

First Aid Training - Year 5	Thursday 9 th May 2019
KS1 SATS Week	Week commencing 13 th May 2019
First Aid Training - Year 4	Thursday 16 th May 2019
Green Park Mini Mile	Sunday 19 th May 2019
Class Photos - Tempest	Monday 20 th May 2019
First Aid Training - Year 3	Wednesday 22 nd May 2019
I'm a Headteacher - Get Me Out of Here!	Friday 24 th May 2019 (pm)
Half Term	Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st May
Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo	Tuesday 4 th June 2019
Year 3 Lego Workshops	Thursday 6 th June 2019
Reception Trip to Thatcham Nature Reserve	Thursday 13 th June 2019
Year 4 Trip to West Wittering	Friday 21 st June 2019
Summer Fayre	Saturday 22 nd June 2019 12-3pm
Sports Day - Reception, Year 1 and 2	Thursday 27 th June 9-1.00pm
Year 5 Greek Day	Friday 28 th June 2019
Sports Day - Years 3, 4 and 5	Wednesday 3 rd July 9-1.00pm
Mini Tri-Athlon at Queen Anne's School	Friday 5 th July 2019
Whole School Art Exhibition	Tuesday 9 th July 2019 (Details to follow)
Early Move Up Day	Friday 12 th July 2019
Whole School Music Concert	Tuesday 16 th July 2019 (Details to follow)
Last Day of Term	Thursday 18 th July 2019



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