

# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are continuing to focus on our school values which the children have helped write. Each week we are concentrating on one in particular. We are looking at famous British people who have influenced us and some of the values that they demonstrate or have demonstrated in their lives. This week we have learnt a little more about the Queen and her life.

It's Shakespeare's 400<sup>th</sup> birthday this weekend. We really like this personal quote he made: 'Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none'.

## Reception

This week we have made 3 Little Pigs puppet shows with musical sound effects and the children have sent pretend 'sorry' letters to the three little pigs from the big bad wolf. In Maths we have been doubling. For the outdoor area children have made musical instruments or helped to set up a 3 Little Pigs role-play area. We enjoyed our first Pantomimus sessions on Monday.

## Year 1

This week in year 1 we have been using the iPads and lots of non-fiction texts to research an animal from Africa. Today we will make an information booklet all about it...watch this space! In Maths we have been adding and subtracting from 2 digit numbers (and beyond) and we have also been investigating number word problems. We have also been busy creating some beautiful African art pictures which will be on display for you to see soon.

## Year 2

In Literacy this week we have been revisiting the four types of sentence. We have also been learning the beginning of *The Wind in the Willows* with actions. Why not ask you child to show you how brilliant they are at acting out the story...?

In Maths we have been exploring measurement. We have looked at different units of measure, selected appropriate equipment for measuring and have ordered measures. We have also learnt about temperature and we can read thermometers. On Monday we had our first Pantomimus session, which was fantastic. The children sang lots of songs and responded to music. In Topic we carried out a nature survey in our school grounds and we will use the data we collected in Maths. In PE we started developing skills for Sports' Day.



On Thursday we celebrated The Queen's 90th birthday. We learnt about her life and we have created beautiful portraits of her. Today we are using the Learning Resource Centre to navigate websites that will help us with our Topic work.

**WELCOME** - A warm welcome to Emma Fallon our Assistant Headteacher and Vicki Hiles teaching in Year 1 during Mrs Edwards' absence.



## BEAT THE STREET

We're off! Our total distance this morning stood at 176.5 miles and team total points 3530.

## 'WHAT I TAUGHT MY PARENTS'

We have been continuing to hear about the wonderful things the children were teaching you over the Easter holidays. Zach D taught his dad and Tula taught her mum yoga and Tom S taught his gran how to make a car out of Mobilo.

## ANIMALS IN SCHOOL

Cupcake and Muffin are the newest members of our school. The children are thoroughly enjoying getting to know these two chilled Guinea Pigs.

## LIBRARY AND RESOURCES CENTRE

You might like to know that there is now a ParentPay facility for donations to our Library and Resources Centre.



**GOOD LUCK** - to Rachel Crisford and everyone else who is running the London Marathon on Sunday.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> April	9am and 3.45pm	Taster sessions for French after-school club
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> April	9am and 3.45pm	Taster sessions for French after-school club
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> April	7.45pm	PTFA Summer Fayre Meeting at The Grosvenor
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> May	9am	Green Park Mini Mile
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> May		PTFA Race Night at St Andrews
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> June	2-5pm	PTFA Summer Fayre

**SPOTLIGHT:** Our spotlight at assembly today fell on: Imogen and Sara for **swimming**; Chloe for **gymnastics**; Eva and Oscar for winning a **Milkshake competition**. Well done everyone!

## PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Awards were handed to the following this week: Year 2 - Freya and Georgiy; Year 1 - Mira, YingGe, Rishwith, Dani; Reception - Sara, Rishi, Theo and Tula. Congratulations to you all.

Karen Edwards  
Headteacher



One of our hatchlings growing up!

## PTFA NEWS

### PTFA SUMMER FAYRE - SATURDAY 25 JUNE

Thanks to everyone who managed to join us for Monday night's Summer Fayre meeting. We came up with lots of ideas and a theme - 'Best of British', so expect an excess of bunting! We have created a Facebook group so we can easily share ideas and start planning the day, please join here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1160114367356543/>. Also, if you work for a company that offers match-funding for charities, it would be amazing if you could investigate whether they could support us! If we were able to match-fund different aspects of the fayre it would make a tremendous difference to our final total. For more info please chat to Liz or Liz, or email [ptfa@theheightsprimary.co.uk](mailto:ptfa@theheightsprimary.co.uk)

### RACENIGHT!!! SATURDAY 21 MAY

This year's Racenight is now on sale! You should have received a booking form in your child's book bag at some point this week, more copies are available via the school office. Please return this form to the PTFA postbox asap as tickets this year are limited! See your booking form for more info.

### GREEN PARK MINI MILE - SUNDAY 15 MAY

Please continue to share the link to our sponsorship site for the Green Park Mini Mile. Remember every penny donated will be matched by Microsoft! <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/heightsminimile2016/295794>. It would be great if you could let your class rep know if you are attending and how many of your children will be running, so we can build a list of who will be there on the day! Thank you.