

# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS



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Dear Parents and Carers

What a sight it was this morning watching all the 'animals' walking across the park and into the ~~zoo~~ school. I felt like Noah welcoming them into the Ark - though I don't recall ever reading in the Bible that he was dressed as a Meerkat. Thanks for all your support and efforts with the children's costumes - they look super and we have raised just over £56 so far!



## Reception

Our Superhero Reception children this week have been so busy! They've developed, designed and 'become' their own superhero, making their costumes and even fitting in some training to help them overcome the Supervillain. This villain wrote threatening letters to them and even kidnapped Hector, our mascot. Fortunately the superheroes scaled the villain's wall and rescued Hector. Phew - what an ordeal!



## Year 1

This week has been assessment week so we have been very busy and off our usual timetable! We have worked really hard on lots of art activities (see our Giraffe below) and here we are in our Wear it Wild outfits. Please can the Year 1 children practise spelling and writing the days of the week over half term and also their number bonds to 10 and then 20 if they are not able to do this!



## Year 2

I must say a massive well done to all the Year 2 pupils for their huge efforts in their SATs this week. Also to the staff and parents for their support. We are really proud of all the children. We still found time to dress up for Wear it Wild and enjoy the day.



## ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

The digger at the front of our school caused much excitement at the beginning of the day. We are thrilled that our natural adventure playground should be completed after half term. I'll Tweet the progress made throughout the week.

## RACE NIGHT

Well done to the PTFA for organising another really fun event and for raising £755. This money will be used to buy a range of outdoor play equipment for the children to use at break and lunch. Thanks so much to everyone involved.

## PARENT CLASS REPS

Our **Parent Forum** date has been changed in order for more parents to be able to attend. It is now on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June still at 7.45pm. I do hope you will be able to join us.

## BEAT THE STREET

Our total distance this morning stood at 1366 miles and team total points 27500, keeping our place at 40<sup>th</sup> on the leaderboard (out of 66) and giving an average of 165 points per player. Overall we have reached the moon with a total mileage of 246,082- but can we help to better last year's mileage of 300,000 miles?

The competition has now been extended until Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May to celebrate Reading's Year of Culture and, thanks to The Rising Sun Arts Centre, the amazing Flint Giant will be playing Beat the Street in a town centre finale accompanied by the Tongues of Fire procession band along Broad Street in Reading from 12pm to 2pm. The giant will tap an enormous Beat the Street card onto a specially constructed over-sized Beat Box with which participants in the game will be invited to have their picture taken. As well as the procession, there will also be an opportunity to play giant pavement games such as skipping, hopscotch and snakes and ladders.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> May - Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		<b>HALF TERM</b>
Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> June	7.45pm	Parent Forum - first meeting, at school
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Year 2 visit River & Rowing Museum, Henley
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> June	2-5pm	PTFA Summer Fayre at school

**SPOTLIGHT:** Our spotlight at assembly today fell on: Olivia for her **Brownie Guide** promise, Tula for her **Rainbow** promise; Ishan for **swimming**, Freya and Xavier for **rugby**. Well done everyone!

## PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Awards were handed to the following this week: Year 2 - all of them, for their amazing work in the SATs this week; Year 1 - Nathan, Zoya, Betty and Eddy; Reception - Sofia, Freddie, Tula and Dominic. Congratulations to you all.



Karen Edwards  
Headteacher



Working on Geraldine the Giraffe  
in Year1CPF

## PTFA NEWS

### LAST WEEK'S RACE NIGHT

Thanks to all who supported last week's fab Race Night! Our final total raised from ticket sales, sponsorship, tote and bar was £755.16, a fantastic amount which will go towards Mrs Rizvi's wishlist for playground resources. Watch this space for more updates!

### PLAYGROUND UPDATE

We are very excited that work starts on building the new playground area today! It's the culmination of a lot of hard work (and a great deal of fundraising) and we can't wait for the children to get stuck in! It is scheduled to be finished and ready to be used by the end of the first week of the new term. The plans have changed slightly to create a more natural and less structured area, to better encourage imaginative play. It will transform how the children use the school's outdoor space and we are very excited to see work start!

### THANK YOU!

Finally, thanks to all who baked and bought at this week's Cake Bake, and to all who popped in to have a browse at the Travelling Book Fair! As both continue today after school, we'll update you on how they did after half term. Enjoy the break!