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# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been delighted to sour our support again this week for two local charities at the request of the children. On Monday, Amanda from Launchpad, Reading's charity in support of homeless people, came into our assembly and received a cheque from us for  $\pounds 275$ . Launchpad were delighted that our pupils have taken such an interest in and are so concerned about the support the charity provides.

Following this, on Thursday a group of Year 3 children represented the school at a Tea Party, hosted by Caversham Good Neighbours at Caversham Heath Golf Club. Caversham Good Neighbours is another of the school's chosen charities whose work with the elderly, disabled, sick and housebound members of our local community is invaluable. The school has donated £500 to the charity, some of which paid for the Tea Party.

### Reception

We have continued with our topic 'Noah's Ark' this week, looking at the work of Lowry to use as inspiration for an ark picture and made beautiful paper rainbows - take a look! In maths we have been counting in 2s and learnt the correct formation of numerals. In literacy we have been writing in role-play using frames and writing 'Guess Who' animal clues.

# Year 1

In Literacy this week we have been retelling tales and sharing and ordering the story of The Enormous Turnip. In Maths we have been looking at calculation problems and using unstructured number lines. In Art we have made African Art pictures and made amazing animal plate pictures! Here's a few!

### Year 2

This week in Year 2 we have practiced reading comprehension and in Maths focussed on reasoning problems. We've planted cress and mustard seeds, practiced Athletics ready for Sports Day and talked out our 'Ideal Islands'. In Art we have started working on a group piece of artwork based around the work of Micheline Robinson.

# Year 3

This week we have studied Jim and the Beanstalk in more detail and used drama and role play to sequence the events of the story. In Maths we have looked at different ways to represent 3-digit numbers, ordering and rounding them. We have been investigating shadows in Science this week. We hunted for shadows in our classroom and created our own shadows as well by blocking the light.













## Our spotlight this week falls on...

Reception – Varya (RSR) for participating in a city orienteering game 'Running City'. Year 1 – Kacper (1VH) for getting a Certificate of Achievement for Lego Robotics and Scratch Programming. *Congratulations to both of you!!* 

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Harry and Noah (RSR), Oliver and Sammy (RAO) Year 1 - Dominic and Jack (1CPF), Oscar and Sara (1VH) Year 2 - Reem and Zoya (2AM), Eddy and Holly (2HK) Year 3 - Bea and Kasim (3SW)

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week beginning 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	SATS Week - Year 2	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET DAY - School CLOSED	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Trip to Thatcham Nature Reserve	
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fair 12-3pm	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 2 Trip to Lepe Country Park	
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Early Move Up Day	

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### **PTFA NEWS**

## Summer Fayre Catch Up

Weds 24th May, 8pm, Caversham Rose

Get the latest updates about the Summer Fayre. We hope you can make it!

#### Mini Mile

Sunday 21 May, Green Park

The Mini Mile is next week!

We've raised £330 to date. Help us meet our target of £1,000 by doing a big shout out to your family and friends.

Share the link below to your networks today: https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/suehepwood1

#### Group photo- Weds 24th

Bring your Mini Mile tshirts to slip over uniform after pick- up on Wednesday for an optional photoshoot outside school. Alice McCarthy will be taking a group photo that we can share via our social networks to raise sponsorship money.

#### **Summer Fayre**

Saturday 17 June, 12-3pm Bouncy castles, face painting, BBQ, games and surprises, the Summer Fayre is a family fun day not to be missed!

#### Race Night

Saturday 10 June, Doors open 7.30pm Hemdean House

Details will be forthcoming but save the date for a fun evening with other Heights parents.

### Thank You

## MATCH FUNDING

A large amount of PTFA Funds derives from parents organising Match Funding with their employers. We would like to thank: Neve Taylor for match funding close to £3,000 from Google; Sue Hepwood for her contribution of just over £2,000 courtesy of Microsoft; and Geraint Jones for match funding £350.

We do not always receive details of these generous donations but would like to thank everyone who has organised this. If you have applied for Match Funding with your employer, let us know so we can credit you!

# SCHOOL DISCO

Huge thanks to Miss Joanna who has refused to invoice for her time at the school disco as she wanted to, "do something nice for the school." We really appreciate her support.

We hope you enjoy the sunshine this weekend!

Best wishes,

The PTFA Team