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# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

Achieving Success Promoting Individual  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

WOW! What an exciting week! On top of our usual rich curricular experiences we've had a Lego Super Structures Workshop for our Year 3 pupils and Millers Ark Mobile Farm visiting us for the day yesterday. We had a blast! And all that with some wonderful ever changing British weather!



The Year 3's loved their Lego session in the morning and worked brilliantly in teams to design and build some bridges and hotels. I think we have young engineers and architects in the making. Many thanks to Mrs Sanigar for organising the workshop.



It's the second year that we've been visited by Millers Ark and the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the donkeys, ducks, goats, pigs and chickens. They had the chance to go into the pens and pet and handle the animals, despite Spot the pig being rather grumpy! The goats (particularly the kids) were very popular as getting them from the trailer to and from the pens was an experience in itself and as I tweeted yesterday, it's time I re-wrote Mrs Keetch's job description..!



Many thanks to the PTFA for funding this fabulous visit. We were thrilled that St Anne's Year 2 pupils were also able to come over and enjoy the animals.

What else have we been up to this week?

## Reception

In Reception we've continued with the theme of Noah's Ark. We've written a page for Noah's log book and used our communication and reasoning to try and solve some of the challenges he faced. We've been investigating the weather and have started to keep a weather diary. Haven't we been lucky that the weather's been SO changeable this week?! We're really enjoying our Athletics and have been learning to hurdle, throw Nerf rockets and do both standing and running long jumps. We can't wait to show you what we can do on Sports Day!

## Year 1

It's been fun writing our own alternative Fairy Tales this week and we hope to share some with you in next week's Assembly. We've been busy with technology and have used the desktop computers to develop our typing and writing skills and also the Bee-Bots to help us practice position and direction. We've used our Boomwhackers for the first time in music and we loved them!

## Year 2

Aside from all of the work we've done in preparation for our assessments next week we've managed to find time to write our own pirate stories. It's been really enjoyable working with our friends to create props to help us act out the story and we're looking forward to filming it. As you can see from our Year 2 tweet, our plants are beginning to grow and we're noting down our observations.

### Year 3

We've been very creative writers this week and really enjoyed reading some of our alternative endings to the story Jim and the Beanstalk in Assembly this afternoon. We really enjoyed walking into Reading and Caversham to look at the Bridges, other structures and buildings and learn about our locality and its' history. It also helped us when we were challenged to build bridges and hotels in our Lego Workshop yesterday.



### Mini Mile

Good Luck to all the children (and parents) who will be running at Green Park in the Mini Mile this weekend. I look forward to seeing you all there.

### Our spotlight this week falls on...

**Year 1** - Sam, Xavier, Jack, Freddie (1CPF), Baylen and George (1VH) for getting a Rugby U6s medal, Sam (1CPF) for swimming 10m and Audrey for getting Level 4 swimming.

**Year 2** - Daisy (2AM) and Harry (2HK) for getting a Rugby U7s trophy

**Year 3** - Freya (3SW) for getting a Rugby U8s medal.

*Congratulations to you all!*

### PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

**Reception** - Amelia and James (RSR), Alice and Robbie (RAO)

**Year 1** - Audrey and Lucy (1CPF), Kacper and Rishi (1VH)

**Year 2** - Nathan and Ruby (2AM), Joshua and Sophie (2HK)

**Year 3** - Fin and Rose (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 at the Caversham Rose

Get updates about the Summer Fayre. We look forward to catching up!

### **Mini Mile**

Sunday 21 May, Green Park

The Mini Mile is this weekend!

We are close to achieving our target of £1,000! Thank you for all your efforts so far. Please help us with a final shout out to your family and friends.

Share the link below to your networks today:

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/suehepwood1>

Funds raised will be shared with local homeless charity Launchpad, which the children have chosen.

### **Race Night**

Saturday 10 June, 7.30pm- 11.30pm,

Hemdean House, £12/ ticket (includes meal.)

The Heights PTFA Race Nights are fantastic fun filled with horses, cheers, bets, drinks and laughs galore! All you need is good wrist action and a sense of humour!

Buy your tickets online:

<http://theheightsprimary.yapsody.com>

Or simply pop a cheque into the PTFA box.

There are also online options to sponsor a horse (£5) or a race (£25).

Bingo ticket holders should select the Bingo-Bump-Up option when purchasing their tickets.

See Helen Morgan or Hannah Smith if you have any questions or are keen to volunteer.

### **Summer Fayre**

Saturday 17 June, 12-3pm

Chairs, Bav and Catherine are busy organising the Summer Fayre.

The talented crafts team are creating some wonderful handmade gifts and the World Food Stall holders are busy planning their wares!

The bouncy castle is booked and there are lots of activities to keep the whole family entertained! It's going to be fun!