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Dear Parents and Carers.

THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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It was lovely to welcome all the children back after half term and show them the new classrooms we've built upstairs ready for our Year 3's in September. We're delighted with the results and staff are already working hard to equip and resource them ready for Early Move Up Day on Thursday 13^{th} July.









I'd like to say a huge thank you to Emma Boutell and Misa, Matt Taylor, Helen Morgan Jagdish Venkitakrishnan, Donato Barbano, Elisa Genarri and Dani, Mrs Fallon, Jonah and Eva, Mrs Hoyle, Mrs Keetch, Mrs Moore and James for all their help pulling the classrooms 'apart' and cleaning and putting them back together again on the day we broke up, and again at the end of half-term.



Reception

Our theme has been Pets this week and it's been lots of fun talking and hearing about the different pets we own. We've used the desktops and iPads and books to research how to look after them and heard a funny story about the Budgie that flew to school on Monday when we were on our INSET day. Apparently Mrs Edwards and the team in the office had to catch it and find out where it's home was. Don't worry, it's safely back with its' owners now! We've also been working really hard on our 5 x Tables this week, clapping with our hand to help us.

Year 1

We have had such a fund week leading up to and during our trip to Marwell Zoo yesterday. We were busy researching some of the animals we hoped to see and couldn't believe how tall the Giraffes really were and that their tongues are so long that they can be wrapped around their necks twice! We came back to school buzzing about the day and can't wait for you to read some of our written accounts of our experiences. Thank you so much to all the KS1 staff and parents who helped organise and take us on the trip.



Year 2

Ooooar me hearties!! We have had so much fun during our Pirate Day today.

Weren't our outfits brilliant! We've also taken part in different Pirate Workshops and learnt so much about what it was like to be one. (Actually, we think Mrs Edwards may secretly quite like to have been one - did you see what she was wearing?!). We've worked hard to design and make Pirate games for our Pirate Fair after school. All the money we raise will go towards our coastal trip to Lepe Country Park.







Year 3

We've also completed some research this week and used it to write a non-chronological report in assessed conditions. We've focussed on measuring and calculating perimeters in Maths and have looked at how a wind turbine works in preparation for our trip next week. We have a Rounders fixture on Monday at Cranford Hourse and can't wait!

Elections

Along with the rest of the country, children went to their 'Polling Stations', posted their voting slips in the ballot boxes and had their votes 'counted'. They had to choose between having a dressing up day this term or an afternoon where the pupils could go to a different class for a number of practical activities. The result was very close with 85 to 73 in favour of a dressing up day. We will give parents advance notice of when the dressing up day will be.





Our spotlight this week falls on...

Year 2 - Jonah for playing in the Pokemon (11s) Regional Championships in Birmingham - coming 42nd after 18 games. **Congratulations Jonah!**

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Annie and Matthew (RSR), Harry and Taran (RAO)

Year 1 - Ishan and Misa (1CPF), Ava and George (1VH)

Year 2 - Alex and George (2AM), Indi and Hannah (2HK)

Year 3 - Joe and Jayden (35W)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 10 th June	PTFA Race Night
Friday 16 th June	Reception Trip to Thatcham Nature Reserve
Saturday 17 th June	PTFA Summer Fair 12-3pm
Friday 30 th June	Sports Day 9.15am – 1.00pm
Monday 3 rd July	Year 2 Trip to Lepe Country Park
Thursday 13 th July	Early Move Up Day

Karen Edwards Headteacher

PTFA NEWS

Race Night

We are looking forward to seeing many of you for a fun filled race night tomorrow at Hemdean House School. It's not too late to buy tickets or horses, please go to the website (https://theheightsprimary.yapsody.com/) or contact Hannah Smith or Helen Morgan.

Summer Fayre

Just over one week until our summer fayre on Saturday 17th June. We have so much planned including bouncy castles, kid's games, crafts, cakes, world food and so much more.

Raffle Tickets

The raffle tickets were sent home to all families just before half term. The prize list this year is really fabulous with tickets to the Mill theatre, dinner at the Forbury, Coppa club and Caversham Rose to name just a few. Please could we ask you to return your ticket stubs, money and unsold tickets to the PTFA postbox in the reception area by Wednesday 14th June.

Volunteers Needed

A sign-up sheet has been added to the notice board in reception. We really need your help in order to pull this off and are only asking an hour of your time on the day so if you are able to help add your name to a one of the 1hour time slots

Dads Bake off

Calling all Dads – don your aprons and get baking for our Dad's bake off at this year's summer fayre. Details were sent out vi parentmail before half term. Please let us know if you would like to enter. ptfa@theheightsprimary.co.uk

Dates for your Diary

2nd July (Sunday): Albert Road fun day.

The Heights will have a stall at this community fun day. More information to follow.

5th July (Wednesday): is the next PTFA meeting, 8pm @ Caversham Rose.