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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are already at the end of our first term this academic year! Having said that, the children have achieved so much and progressed so far... so why shouldn't we believe it?

Reception

This week we have been focussing on what 'harvest' means to communities. We've explained our ideas and understanding about Harvest and talked a lot about helping members of our Community. We really enjoyed exploring where our fruit and vegetables come from and made the most delicious soup and bread. Sorry Mrs Edwards - we would have left you some, but it was sooo delicious!



Year 1

In English we've completed some assessments and have also been reflecting on our work using purple polishing pens to correct marvellous mistakes. As well as completing assessments in Maths, we've also learned how to make 3D shapes from Nets. In our Topic lessons we've created 3D Tudor Houses to complete our collage of 'The Great Fire of London'.

Year 2

We've learnt the poem 'Never Trust a Dragon' off by heart and can't wait to perform it in our next assembly! We completed a 'Big Write' on Monday using an exciting setting picture as stimulus. We really enjoyed welcoming you to our 'Watch Us Learn' session on Monday and making our clay dragons which we will paint after half-term.



Year 3

As well as completing assessments for different subjects this week we have written our own poems based around autumn. We've also been looking at multiples of 4 and 8 and have been finding out how we can multiply by doubling and applying our knowledge to one and two step word problems. We loved designing and creating our own Egyptian collars and measuring the strength of magnets through different investigations.

Year 4

As well as completing half termly reading and grammar assessments, we have written CS Lewis inspired descriptions of snowy scenes and using expanded noun phrases, adverbs, similes and alliteration. We've revised and consolidated our learning on place value and number in maths and recorded our results and written conclusions on our investigations into tooth decay. We've completed our Julian Mendoza inspired pieces of Art and focussed on Internet Safety in Computing.

Year 5

Mr Gillick says we've worked incredibly hard this term and we have really enjoyed exploring riddles and kennings this past week. We've had a strong focus on adding and subtracting money and solving multi-step problems. We have been invited to join the Oratory School's History Competition. The topic is Historically Important Buildings and we've already chosen our

project and begun thinking about how we'll present it. In Science we finished our topic on the properties of material by exploring absorption and use of materials in electrical circuits.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Year 3 - Sara, Sofia, Megan, Elyon, Karim, Xavier, Usher and Annabel.

Year 4 - Nathan, Zoya, Sienna, Ben, Aryan, Isla, Fletcher, and Sophie.

Year 5 - Jack, Tom, Ethan and Aarna.

Spotlight

Emmer Green Art Competition

Well done to all the children who submitted artwork to the Reading Schools Inter-Art Competition back in June. Unfortunately, due to illness we have only just received the artwork back in school and official notification of the winners. Well done, to Ralph, Abigail, Ishan, Mira, Ben, Ameya, Lily, Fletcher, Sophie, Isla, Bhavisyia (3 certificates), Roshni, Bea and Phoebe for highly commended artwork in KS2 and all receiving certificates. Well done to Oishani (Portrait Category Winner), Ivy, Joe, Harry, Quinn, Imogen, Toby, Elspeth and Mia in KS1 for taking part and receiving their certificates.

Reading Libraries Summer Reading Challenge

Mira for completing the Mischief Makers reading challenge.

Swimming

Ava for achieving Level 4.

Football

Fletcher for being Player of the Match on 13th October for Caversham AFC.

The Monument

Jonah for climbing the 311 steps of The Monument in London.

Reading Park Runs

Zak for completing his first Parkrun and finishing 164th male out of 285 runners and first in his age category!

Chloe for completing 21 Park Runs which equates to one whole marathon!

Muddy Mayhem

Rafi for participating in and completing Muddy Mayhem.

Maidenhead RFC Festival

Sam, Xav, Freddie, George, Jack

Cubs

Bea for earning her Cubs badges.

Well done everyone!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half Term	Monday 22 nd October to Friday 26 th October
Hallowe'en Disco Years 1-5	Friday 2 nd November at St Andrews Church Hall
Parent Consultations (Booking opens via ParentMail 29/10)	Tuesday 6 th November 3.50-6.30pm Thursday 8 th November 6-8.30pm
Hallowe'en Disco Reception	Friday 9 th November at school (New Hall)
World Prematurity Day - Wear Something Purple	Friday 16 th November
INSET Day - School Closed to Pupils	Friday 23 rd November
Year 2 Trip to Windsor Castle	Monday 26 th November
KS2 Carol Concert at St Andrew's Church	Tuesday 11 th December 6.30pm
Whole School Trip to the Panto	Thursday 13 th December
Christmas Jumper Day!	Friday 14 th December
FS Dress Rehearsal to KS2	Tuesday 18 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
FS Dress Rehearsal to KS1 & Grandparents	Wednesday 19 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
FS Production to Parents	Thursday 20 th December 9.30am (School Hall)
KS1 Production at St Andrew's Church	Tuesday 18 th December 6.30pm (Provisional Date) Wednesday 19 th December 6.30pm (Provisional Date)
School Christmas Dinner	Wednesday 19 th December
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 st December, school finishes at 1.30pm



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