

HUISH EPISCOPI PRIMARY NEWS



From The Levels Academy Sports Day to CLP Athletics—we have had a busy couple of weeks of sport (see more on pages 2-3)!

From the Executive Principal:

As we come towards the end of the academic year, our schools are busy in their final preparations for the many events that take place at the end of term - pupils rehearsing for school productions, older children preparing for their transition to secondary school, school staff making final assessments on individual pupil achievement across the year for their annual school reports and parent associations preparing for summer fairs!

It was a real pleasure to have been part of the Levels Academy Olympic Sports Day that took place earlier this month at Yeovil Recreation Ground. To see so many happy children joining in from across all our schools in the academy, in a variety of sporting activities, shows how our children interact, play fair and help one another out. It is opportunities such as this that allow our pupils to make connections with each other and build relationships across the schools. Just observing pupils engaged in thinking and challenging themselves and working as part of a team is extremely rewarding for us all. Children showed respect and understanding for others whatever their sporting ability and were encouraging their peers throughout.

These types of relationships can also be seen in the individual classrooms across the schools where children collaborate more closely and support each other in their learning. I look forward to being able to be a part of such collaborative activities over the coming years. (Mrs Barraclough)

Staff News

Mr Clements has had a busy few weeks, firstly taking part in the Martock 10K where he won his age group category and has a lovely trophy to show for it. This was an amazing achievement as he ran in the sweltering heat and still produced a very good time. He then took on the Torbay Half Marathon

where he came 101st out of over 1,600 runners and lastly ran the Forde Abbey 10K where the course took him through rivers, rocky tracks and up & down hills. Mr Clements you lead the way in *'Inspiring, Believing and Achieving'*!



School News

Holidays & Days off During Term Time

We should like to remind parents/carers that we are unable to authorise absence for holidays, long weekends etc as they are not considered to be an 'exceptional circumstance'. Please let us know in writing if you intend to take your child out of school for a holiday or similar reason. However, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. Councils do have the right to fine parents/carers £60.00 per child per parent/carer for taking their children out of school during term time for holidays—our registers are checked regularly by the Education Welfare Officer.

School Sports Day

We will be holding a sports afternoon on **Thursday, 6 July from 1.30-3.30pm**. Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school and, if possible, send in a coloured T-shirt that corresponds to your child's house team colour (red, blue, yellow or green). They will know their colour! Please don't worry if you can't—normal PE kit will be fine. If you are able to come along and support the afternoon, please do so—it would be great to see you.

Nepal-bound!

Ms Islip, our previous Headteacher, is currently in Nepal working with the Himalayan Children charity—look out for a report and photos from her in our first newsletter in September!



Class News

Parrett Class News

Parrett have enjoyed learning about mini beasts over the last few weeks. They have loved bug hunting and created their own wormery! Pupils have learnt about the life cycle of a butterfly using the story of the Hungry Caterpillar to help with this. The children have written their own version of the story which can be seen in the classroom if you would like to read them. (Miss Cardwell)

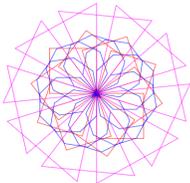


Aller Class News

This term Aller Class have been learning about the UK and its four countries. We have worked together to research the countries and create posters. Feel free to quiz us about the capital cities! (Miss Wicks)

Sedgemoor Class News

Our class have been enjoying programming lessons on giving directional instructions. Building on from their learning with programming a turtle they have been using Logo to draw shapes and patterns. The children have been writing programs to draw basic shapes and some have gone further to create some attractive repeating patterns. If you would like to have a go at home, select Logo from www.j2e.com/j2code. Have fun! (Mr Stevens)



Northmoor Class News

Northmoor Class are in argumentative mode! From ice-cream in school to longer playtimes – the classroom has been alive with arguments for and against. Well done to Alex who even got his parents involved! The children are working hard to reach their Accelerated Reader target – congratulations to those who have already reached 100% and to those who have recently made a huge jump towards achieving their end goal. Finally, please could any parents who are still having problems logging on to MyMaths let Mr Akers or Mrs Dennis know. (Mr Akers & Mrs Dennis)

Isle Class News

The whole of Isle Class have been absolute mathematical stars this week. Each and every member of the class have really been amazing with demonstrating greater depth mathematical knowledge. Their work on shape, problem solving and reasoning about their maths has been so good, that they really have kept Mr Clements, Mrs Ramwell and any other visiting teacher on their toes! Keep it up Isle. (Mr Clements)

Kingsmoor Class News

Kingsmoor Class have had a great deal going on

within the classroom, as well as many of our children going out of school to represent us in different areas. We had a group head off to Taunton School to be involved in a Science and Technology day and others of us have been involved in athletics as well as cricket tournaments. All of these were incredibly successful days and those children involved should be very proud of their attitude and work ethic. In addition, we are working incredibly hard in our rehearsals for 'Shakespeare Rocks' and the excitement is definitely building as the performance date approaches. (Mrs Kenchington)



Kingsmoor Class have now completed their swimming sessions, they have all improved greatly, especially Tom and Scarlet who both received certificates for outstanding improvement. **WELL DONE KINGSMOOR CLASS!** (Mrs Ramwell)

Safeguarding –E-Safety

With the Summer holidays coming up, is now a good time to have a family agreement about the use of technology? It is a great way to start a conversation with your whole family about how you all use the internet and discuss how to behave in a positive way when online at home, at school or at a friend's house. A good example is the Childnet Family Agreement which can be found at: <http://www.childnet.com/resources/family-agreement>

Sports News

Academy Sports Day

The Levels Academy Trust is made up of four schools - Huish Episcopi, Hambridge, Middlezoy & Othry Primary Schools who competed in the Levels Academy Trust Olympic Sports Day, now in its sixth year on 16 June. It is a legacy from the 2012 London Olympics. Nearly 400 children took part this year in sprints, long jump, throwing, hurdling, distance runs and very exciting relay races. The children competed in their year groups against each other. ALL the children performed brilliantly demonstrating excellent sporting qualities. It was great to see so many parents/carers supporting the day. **THANK YOU!** (More photos page 1 & 4) (Mrs Ramwell)



CLP Athletics

The athletics team took part in the CLP Athletics Meeting at Huish Academy. Children from Year 3 to Year 6 competed in track and field events against ten other schools in the CLP. All the children gave their all and



produced some fantastic runs, jumps and throws. They ALL demonstrated excellent sporting qualities and a determination to do well. The whole team supported each other really well. They looked very professional in the new athletics kit (Photo page 1).



Girls Cricket

Eight girls from Kingsmoor and Isle Classes took part in a cricket day at Huish and Langport Cricket Club. The day was led by Sophie Luff, a member of



the England U19's development squad. She coached them during the morning, teaching fielding and batting skills. In the afternoon the girls got to play matches, putting into practice what they had learnt during

the morning. The girls really enjoyed the day. (Mrs Ramwell)

Sponsored Run

Last Friday, the whole school took part a sponsored fun on the field. KS1 had to run a mile and KS2 had to run two miles. Every single child achieved their goal, and beyond, with some Reception children running two miles and some KS2 children running three miles - even the staff ran well! It was fantastic to see the children motivating each other to keep going. WELL DONE EVERYBODY!

 **Please can all sponsor money be sent into school by Friday, 7 July.**

Yoga for Children



All classes have had the opportunity to participate in a yoga session during their PE lessons. The yoga session is taught through story and movement. The children have learnt different poses that strengthens their core and increases balance and flexibility. All the children have really enjoyed this new activity.

(Mrs Ramwell)

PFA News

Huish Summer Festival is only two weeks away on Saturday, 15 July. We are very excited as this is the biggest fundraiser we've ever done!

We are still looking for any support on the day. Either with setting up or to help man any of our stalls including Chocolate Tombola, Raffle, Kids Poke Boards, tea/coffee & cake marquee, Soft toys, Books,Floral headbands, Whine & Winge and Plants. We are also looking for any donations of soft toys & books for our stalls. Anything regarding the Summer Festival, can you please email Alison or Emma: festival@huishepiscopi.net

To contact the PFA in general please contact Emma Cook either through the school, on 07927 398277 or via email emmamark34@hotmail.co.uk.

Community Notices

Langport Runners – Run for Fun!

Sunday, 2 July; Langport North Moor; children 4 – 14 years; 2km, 1km or 400m; register 9.30am; starts 10.00am; call 01458 259688 or email davidgerman555@gmail.com.

Have you got a ‘Little Big Shot’?!

Producers of ITV show, Little Big Shots, are looking for performers & skills of all kinds so if you think there might be someone in your family (aged 3-13) that is a potential Little Big Shot apply at:

https://www.walltowall.co.uk/casting/little-big-shots_1019.aspx

Bridgwater Quayside Festival

Saturday, 29 July; 12 noon–6.00pm; live music, street theatre, family activities; free shows; venue across town; see:

www.bridgwaterquaysidefestival.co.uk



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SAFEGUARDING

**Don't think
“What if I'm wrong”
Think...
“What if I am right”**

If you have any concerns about a pupil you should report this to a member of staff immediately.

If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Leads immediately.



Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Zoe Dennis (photo R)

Deputy DSL:

Mrs Joan Meredith (photo L)



Safeguarding & Child Protection

Governor:

Mrs Lou Ward

Diary Dates: (Updates in red)

Monday, 3 July: Langport Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly.

Monday, 3 July: 'Maths Stomp'; Huish Academy; 6.00-8.00pm; **Team of four Year 6s.**

Wednesday, 5 July: 'Moving Up' Morning (pupils experience a morning in their new class for September) & Year 6 (Kingsmoor) Transition Day at Huish Academy.

Thursday, 6 July: School Sports Day; school field; 1.30-3.30pm (reserve date: Thursday, 13 July).

Friday, 7 July: **Mufti Day; donations of chocolate for the Summer Festival; more details to follow from the PFA.**

Monday, 10 July: School Reports out to parents/carers.

Tuesday, 11 July: Shakespeare Rocks!; KS2 Summer Production; afternoon & evening performances.

Wednesday, 12 July: Tesco visiting Breakfast Club; 'Continental Breakfast'.

Wednesday, 12 July: Academy Choir (Isle Class) to Bridgwater Singing Festival; McMillan Theatre; 1.30-8.00pm (performance starts at 6.45pm).

Wednesday, 12 July: Parents Open Evening to discuss reports if required; 3.30-5.00pm.

Thursday, 13 July: **Vision Screening; Parrett Class; 9.15am.**

[**Thursday, 13 July:** Reserve date for Sports Day.]

Friday, 14 July: Years 4, 5 & 6 Trip to YMCA, Bridgwater; Outdoor Adventure Activity Day; 9.00am-3.00pm.

Saturday, 15 July: Summer Festival; Huish Academy (PFA event with the Academy); pupils singing at performance circle at 2.00pm.

Wednesday, 19 July: Year 6 Academy "Virtual Reality" Play & Workshop.

Thursday, 20 July: Year 6 (Kingsmoor) Leavers Assembly; 2.00-3.30pm.

Friday, 21 July: Summer Term Ends **at 3.30pm.**

Tuesday, 5 September: Autumn Term Starts.

Friday, 8 September: "Space" Virtual Reality Workshop; all classes; to compliment our topic "The World Beyond Us"; more details to follow before the end of the Summer Term.

Friday, 29 September: PFA Film Night.

w/c 23 October: Half Term.

Thursday, 21 December: Term Ends.

Summer Term Free Reading Fridays:

Will be held on 14 July 2017.

Next Issue of this Newsletter:

Will be published on 14 July.

Sports Match Dates:

Monday, 3 July: Year 5-6 Rounders Tournament; Huish Academy; 4.00-6.00pm.

Thursday, 6 July: School Sports Day; school field; 1.30-3.30pm (reserve date: Thursday, 13 July).

After School Clubs:

Mondays: Dodgeball with Mrs Ramwell (10 July) for Years 4, 5 & 6. **Homework Club** with Mr Welch.

Tuesdays: Cricket with Mr Akers & Mrs Ramwell (4 July) for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Due to school performance Cricket Club will now **NOT** take place on **11 July**.

Choir with Mrs Thompson (4, 11 July) for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 **NOW AT LUNCHTIME. Homework Club** with Mr Welch.

Wednesdays: Athletics with Premier Sports & Mr Welch (5, 12 July) for Years R, 1, 2 & 3. **Homework Club** with Miss Whelan.

Thursdays: Outdoor Adventure with Mrs Ramwell (6, 13 July) for Years 4, 5 & 6.

Fridays: There are not any clubs on a Friday.

All clubs run from 3.30pm until 4.30pm unless otherwise stated. Please contact Mrs Ramwell.

Lost Property

A pupil in KS1 has lost her 'golden ice watch' - please keep a look out for it around school and if you find it hand it into the School Office. Many thanks.



2017-2018 INSET Days:

Monday, 4 September 2017;

Friday, 20 October 2017; Friday, 9 February 2018; Monday, 23 & Tuesday, 24 July 2018.

Full set of term dates for 2017-18 available on school website under parents tab.

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