

# HEPS News



Week beginning 17.7.2023

## The Week Ahead...

|           | Cocklemoor   | Haymoor                       | Leazemoor                     | Perrymoor          | Portmoor           | Saltmoor                   | Kingsmoor                         |
|-----------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Monday    | Please bring PE kit to school  |                               |                               |                    |                    |                            |                                   |
| Tuesday   |  |                               | Please bring PE kit to school |                    |                    | Please wear PE kit         |                                   |
| Wednesday |  | Please bring PE kit to school |                               | Please wear PE kit | Please wear PE kit | Assembly 15:00 at top gate | Pool party<br>Swimming kit needed |
| Thursday  |  |                               |                               |                    |                    |                            | Leavers assembly 14:30            |
| Friday    | <p>Wear PE kit please.</p> <p>No bags in school please, only a water bottle and hat.</p> <p>Sports day, 14:15, parents, carers and family welcome. Any cancellation will be emailed and on Twitter.</p> <p>No Busy Bees.</p> |                               |                               |                    |                    |                            |                                   |

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**HEPS Chair of Governors:**  
Mr Sam Jackson



**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead and Safeguarding Governor:**

Miss Chadbourne  
Deputy Headteacher



**Designated Safeguarding Lead:**

Mrs Doughty Davis  
Headteacher



### Letters/emails sent out recently or reminders:

School meals reminder

All pupils

Summer reading challenge

All pupils

**School Lunches:** Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 18 July 2023 for meals

W/C 4 September 2023 (week 1 menu). The new menu is on the app please scroll across as far as you can in August click on this date then it will allow you to carry on scrolling to the September dates. If your child is moving from KS1 to KS2 the app will allow you to book free of charge and once updated in September will put your account in arrears with the amount outstanding.

**PE days:** Please see the calendar above as some classes have changed their days.

**Clubs news:** Following School Council requests, we would like to know of anybody with experience who could offer cheerleading, a martial art or a bicycle repair workshop as an after school club. We would need to undertake the usual checks for working with children. Please contact the School Office if you could recommend a contact.

Unfortunately Mr Odierno will no longer be offering Kick Boxing after school we would like to thank him for his work over the last few years.

Clubs places will be opened up next week ready to book for the new term. We will send an email with more information.

**Fully funded visits:** We have booked the team building days for the first week of September off site again this year. The children and staff get to know each other through team building activities. It is such a good day for the staff and children in the first week of term.

These visits can only go ahead if we have enough volunteers. We would appreciate your help if you are able to support these visits. The new Year 5 and 6 classes will be going on the visit on Wednesday 6 September. The new Year 3 and 4 classes will be going on Thursday 7 September. The new Year 1 and 2 classes will be going on Friday 8 September. Please contact the School office if you can help. The school is fully funding these trips.

**FSM children:** Children in receipt of FSM will have vouchers issued every two weeks over the Summer holidays.

**Free play dates:** Somerset County Council have various free play dates over the holidays please see this link for more information. <https://orlo.uk/PdXjQ>

**Resources:** We are coming to the time of year where we check the resources we have are in good condition. We will be ordering the following items unless anyone has any of these at home which they could kindly donate: Jigsaws/learning games (both table top and floor puzzles), dressing up clothes (animals, fairytales, people who help us/jobs), old technological items that no longer work for our role play area, story sacks/puppets, horses on sticks, trains for wooden train tracks, farm vehicles and toys.

**Portmoor class:** Please could all pupils bring in an empty clean tin (coffee tin) or small tub (butter tub) for DT next week. Please could pupils bring this in on Monday 17 July they will be making a musical instrument with their hollow containers.

**Saltmoor class:** We have rescheduled the Saltmoor assembly for Wednesday at 15:00. Parents and carers are very welcome to attend. Although this looks feasible at this time, please be mindful that we still have a bug in school which is still severely affecting the staffing of events, teaching and learning.

**Kingsmoor swimming:** Kingsmoor pupils will be having swimming lessons in the Autumn Term in their PE lessons. These are now on Schoolcomms under payments. These children will have twelve sessions during the term. Please make your payment by Monday 4 September.

**Swimming gala:** A huge thank you to the parent helpers today with the first ever KS2 interhouse swimming gala. It was a success which the children thoroughly enjoyed. Even the rain walking to and from the pool couldn't dampen the spirits of the children.

**Sports day:** Next week we are hoping for good weather on Friday afternoon for the old fashioned sports events. Parents, carers, families and friends are welcomed onto the field at 14:15. There is an opportunity for adults to join-in so do come prepared!

**Chair of Governors:** It is with a heavy heart that we are saying goodbye to Mr Sam Jackson and his family this term. Sam has been a fantastic Chair of Governors by being supportive, questioning and knowledgeable. He has given his time and shown commitment to the school community which has benefitted from his support. We wish Sam well with his move and feel a little tinge of envy for the school which next benefits from his support.

Mr Bill Langford was welcomed to his first meeting yesterday evening. Bill brings a wealth of experience of the local area and from his background of service. We are very glad to have him on board.

**Safeguarding:** We kindly ask that phones are not used on the school playground when dropping off and collecting children unless there is an emergency. We keep the school a mobile phone free zone as much as possible to set a good example to the children about appropriate phone use in public spaces. Primary and pre-primary aged children should not have phones in school or use the phone of a parent or carer whilst in school. Thank you for your understanding.

**Question on the gate:** "Will there be anymore Teacher strikes?"

"The unions are recommending that members accept the offer from the government of 6.5%.

The government is funding 3% of the 6.5% with schools needing to support the remaining 3.5% from their budgets. We had budgeted to support any pay rise by 3.5% next year which is the exact amount required. This means that, if accepted, we are in a good position to support our current staffing levels for next year which is a huge relief."

## Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum, including holidays

| Cocklemoor | Haymoor | Leazemoor | Perrymoore | Portmoor | Saltmoor | Kingsmoor |
|------------|---------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 96%        | 95%     | 97%       | 85%        | 93%      | 93%      | 90%       |

## Dates for your diary

We will put dates in the newsletter at the beginning and end of each term. In the meantime, please click on the pink link on this newsletter on page 1 which will take you to this page on the website. All dates and events are subject to change although as always we aim to minimise this wherever possible. **Bold type means there has been an amendment since first published.**

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Monday 17 April   | First day of the half term<br>No Early Birds<br>Clubs start on this day   |
| Thursday 20 April | London residential meeting for parents and children, 16:30  |
| Friday 21 April   | Mufti for the winning house point team—blue team<br>Holiday reading treat<br>Interhouse competition details sent home by this date (Interhouse sketch)<br>Perrymoor bake sale |
| Friday 28 April   | Saltmoor educational visit  |
| Monday 1 May      | Bank holiday, no school   |
| Tuesday 2 May     | KS1 SATs commence   |
| Wednesday 3 May   | Portmoor Kilve residential departs  |
| Friday 5 May      | Portmoor Kilve residential returns<br>Saltmoor bake sale  |
| Monday 8 May      | Bank holiday, no school   |
| Tuesday 9 May     | KS2 SATs all week. Breakfast for Y6 in school from 08:00 each day.<br>KS1 SATs continue   |
| Monday 15 May     | KS1 SATs continue   |
| Friday 19 May     | Kingsmoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00<br>Cocklemoor bake sale<br>Perrymoor education visit<br>Interhouse sketch deadline for entries                     |
| Monday 22 May     | KS1 SATs continue<br>Vocabulary sheets for next half term sent home   |
| Wednesday 24 May  | Kingsmoor London residential departs  |
| Friday 26 May     | Kingsmoor London residential returns<br>No Busy Bees<br>Last day of half term   |
| Monday 5 June     | No Early Birds<br>Y4 Multiplication check all week  |
| Tuesday 6 June    | No clubs due to staff training  |
| Friday 9 June     | Mufti day for winning team<br>Educational visit for Leazemoor<br>Kingsmoor bake sale<br>Cocklemoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00                           |
| Monday 12 June    | Y1 Phonic testing week<br>Y4 Multiplication check all week  |
| Friday 16 June    | Leazemoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00, postponed until Friday 23 June<br><b>Writing exhibition with parents invited, refreshments available, 14:30</b>   |
| Thursday 22 June  | Haymoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00  |
| Friday 23 June    | Educational visit for Cocklemoor<br>Educational visit for Haymoor<br>Portmoor bake sale<br><b>Leazemoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00</b>                  |
| Thursday 29 June  | Perrymoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00  |
| Friday 30 June    | INSET day, no school  |
| Monday 3 July     | New Reception 2023 parents evening  |
| Wednesday 5 July  | Move-up day for all children to their next class postponed until Thursday 6 July due to industrial action   |
| Thursday 6 July   | Last day for clubs except Kickboxing<br><b>Move-up day for all children to their next class</b>   |
| Friday 7 July     | Portmoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00 cancelled due to industrial action<br>Haymoor bake sale cancelled due to industrial action.                         |
| Monday 10 July    | Kickboxing club grading   |
| Friday 14 July    | <del>Saltmoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00</del><br><del>Leazemoor bake sale</del><br><b>KS2 swimming gala</b>  |
| Monday 17 July    | <del>Curriculum map, vocabulary sheets, reports sent home by this date</del> <b>These will be sent home in the first week of next term</b>                                    |
| Wednesday 19 July | Kingsmoor swimming assessment<br>Saltmoor celebration assembly with parents invited, 15:00  |
| Thursday 20 July  | Kingsmoor leavers assembly, 14:30   |
| Friday 21 July    | Sports day with parents invited, 14:15, No Busy Bees  |