

HEPS News



Week beginning 18.09.2023

The Week Ahead...

	Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
Monday			Bring in PE kit		Wear PE kit		Booster 15:30-16:30
Tuesday		Bendy bodies 15:30-16:30	Bendy bodies 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Secret coders Rugby 15:30-16;30	HEPS Harmonies Secret coders Rugby 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30
Wednesday		Bring in PE kit			Netball 15:30-16:30	Netball 15:30-16:30 Wear PE kit	Netball 15:30-16:30
Thursday		Storynory 15:30-16:30	Storynory 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30 Wear PE kit	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30
Friday	Bake sale Bring in PE kit	Bake sale	Bake sale	Bake sale	Bake sale	Please bring cakes in	Bake sale Swimming 13:00-15:00

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HEPS Chair of Governors:
Mrs Julia Gadd



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:

Meals reminder

All pupils

Email re Flu vaccination

All pupils

School Lunches: Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 19 September 2023 for meals W/C 25 September 2023 (week 1 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

Cocklemoor and Haymoor: We kindly ask parents and carers of Haymoor and Cocklemoor children to only bring book bags to school unless it is the day for PE. We don't have the storage space for rucksacks and other types of bags and it makes it very time consuming for staff to sort out reading books. We would prefer our staff spend time with the children. Thank you for your understanding.

Harvest: Our Harvest Festival was so successful last year in showcasing a variety of heritage bread we would like to do something similar this year. We are holding our Harvest assembly on Wednesday 27 October.

We would like to ask for different types of bread to be brought in from home which represent the different cultures and backgrounds of our children. Additionally this year we would like some jams, chutneys or spreads which are favourites in your household. As this was so well supported last year, and we are hoping it will be the same this year, please send in small quantities of any bread or spread tasters. We would also like to ask for any specialist breads which are supportive of children with various intolerances. We will display these during the assembly to highlight how fortunate we are to have a great deal of diversity in our school and community before handing out samples at the end of the school day. We may ask children to tell us what the bread or spread is called in their native language and any other facts they can recall such as ingredients and when it may be traditionally eaten. We will have a decorative wheatsheaf loaf highlighting the message of harvest.

We would like to ask for food donations too for non-perishable food. Here are the items which are particularly in short supply at this time:

long-life fruit juice, tinned soup, tinned meat, chocolate and sweets, size 6 nappies. The food bank has plenty of baked beans, tea bags and cereal at this time.

Thank you for any and all donations.

INSET days: INSET days are for staff development and training therefore no children are permitted in school. The dates for this year can be found in your child's planner and here:

Monday 4 September, Friday 20 October, Friday 9 February, Friday 28 June and Monday 1 July

Y6 Admissions: Huish Episcopi Academy will be holding their open evening on Thursday 21 September 2023 17:00-19:00. Presentations from the Principal will be at 17:30 and 18:15.

Thinking ahead: Please speak with neighbours, local friends and family about booking in a school visit with us if they have children due to start school next September. For any tour, Mrs Doughty Davis will be happy to accompany individuals or family groups around HEPS so please call the School Office. Even those living close to the school are unaware that HEPS consistently has some of the best results across the county and has such fantastic facilities.

Dates for your diary: The next page contains important dates for this term. These are all subject to change; we always think carefully before making changes.

School field: The school field is a fantastic resource which is much loved by our children. Occasionally, you may see it being used after hours by ex-HEPS children. If the gate is open on the field it means that they have been given permission to use the field. If the gate is closed and there are no staff cars in the car park, please email the school so we can resolve the situation which may mean asking a member of staff to go to the field.

Tissues: Please send your child in with a little pack of tissues in their bag. If they have a cold, please send in a couple of packs which they can take into the classroom. This is an area where we are trying to encourage and improve independence.

Flu vaccinations: The consent link will close by Thursday 28 September please ensure you have completed this by this date.

Clubs: This week saw most clubs running for the first time; HEPS Harmonies will start next week. Children should attend clubs every week, otherwise their space will be given to a child on the waiting list. If your child is absent from school, or there is another reason they cannot attend for a week, please speak with the School Office or Mrs Doughty Davis.

Safeguarding: A car in the Social Club car park (by the park) was broken into and valuable items taken during morning drop off. Please ensure that you do not leave your children in the car unattended or any other valuable items.

All children must wear a seat belt on all journeys, however short the distance. This is a serious safeguarding breach and could result in a criminal conviction.

Question on the gate: "Will sandwiches still be on the menu in the winter?"

"Yes, the menu choice will still include sandwiches whilst there are a number of children who choose them; they have been very popular this week! The School Council is the group of children who regularly gather the opinions of their peers for the menu and decide what changes may be necessary. We are fortunate that Huish Episcopi Academy, who supply our food, are very keen to listen to feedback and make tweaks where necessary. We are now ordering more school lunches than ever before."

Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum including holidays

Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoore	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
		75%	95%	79%	60%	91%

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.**

Week commencing	Assemblies with parents (top gate 14:55 please)	Bake Sale (please bring cakes into Coronation Room Friday morning, thank you)	Events and information
04/09/2023			Monday – INSET (no children) No Early birds. No clubs. RSE letter and policy home. Mufti day for house points. Home visits for R23. Cockle Moor in until 12:00.
11/09/2023	Wednesday Kingsmoor celebration		Home visits R23. Cockle Moor in until 13:00. House point mufti day on Friday for Y1 and Y2 green team. Curriculum overviews sent home. Settling phone calls to parents.
18/09/2023		Saltmoor	
25/09/2023	Friday Portmoor celebration		Harvest Festival – Wed. Flu vaccination - Friday morning.
02/10/2023		Perry Moor	Christmas card design. School photos – Thursday.
09/10/2023	Friday Leazemoor celebration		Leazemoor church visit – Thursday. Interhouse orienteering – Monday, after school.
16/10/2023			Friday - INSET (no children) No busy Bees – Thursday. Vocab mats sent home.
23/10/2023			
30/10/2023		Haymoor	London Y6 residential Wed-Fri. No Early Birds – Monday. Deadline for secondary school applications. House point mufti – Friday.
06/11/2023	Friday Cockle Moor celebration		Remembrance week. Remembrance Service Friday.
13/11/2023		Kingsmoor	Children in Need mufti – Friday.
20/11/2023	Friday Saltmoor celebration		
27/11/2023		Portmoor	
04/12/2023	Friday Perry Moor celebration		Parents evenings Wed and Thursday. No clubs. Interhouse photography 'leaf' - Monday 09:00 deadline.
11/12/2023			No clubs. Vocab mats sent home. Nativity dress rehearsal - Wed PM (no parents). Nativity – Wed. Christmas jumper day – Thu. Carol Service KS2 - Friday. Christmas lunch and Christingle Service – Fri.