

HEPS News



Week beginning 25.09.2023

The Week Ahead...

| | Cocklemoor | Haymoor | Leazemoor | Perrymoor | Portmoor | Saltmoor | Kingsmoor |
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| 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 | Bring in PE kit | | | | Celebration assembly 15:00 | | Swimming 13:00-15:00 |

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

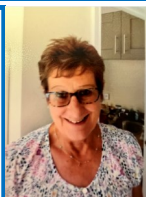
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Quick link to Calendar Dates:

[HEPS Diary Dates](#)

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:

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| Meals reminder | All pupils |
| BSO booking information | All pupils |
| Kingsmoor swimming pupils | Y6 |
| Kingsmoor homework | Y6 pupils |

School Lunches: Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 26 September 2023 for meals W/C 2 October 2023 (week 2 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

Cockle Moor and Haymoor: We kindly ask parents and carers of Haymoor and Cockle Moor 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.

Choir: Miss Stringer started with us this week delivering music lessons to all of our classes. She has been impressed with the excellent behaviour and the enthusiasm of our children. Miss Stringer also led the singing assembly this week with the current choir members giving a demonstration of their newly acquired skills. We do have some places in 'HEPS Harmonies' for Y3-6. Your child is able to swap to choir from a current club choice if they attend two clubs already, or they can opt for this club if they don't attend two clubs.

HEPS Harmonies will feature considerably in the Carol Concert on the last day of autumn term on Friday 15 December.

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 September.

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 homemade 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 which should be taken into the Coronation Room. Breads and spreads should go with the children into classes.

Parent Family Support Advisor (PFSA): On Wednesday 11th October at 2:30pm our PFSA, Victoria Gould, will be holding a coffee afternoon in our Coronation Room. Please come to the top gate at 2:30pm if you would like to meet Victoria and discuss any issues with her. The session will end at 3:15pm.

A PFSA can help you by advising and working with you on issues such as: behaviour (in and out of school), parenting concerns, family issues, emotional/mental wellbeing, confidence building, attendance at school/school anxiety, feeling isolated, support for parents/carers who want to go back to work or education, finance/housing. If you would like any further information, please contact Mrs Monk via the school office.

Tuning Into Kids Emotional coaching - free sessions: Our PFSA, Victoria Gould, is able to offer a free emotion coaching course for parents/carers. Would you like to learn how to: be better at talking with your child; be better at understanding your child; help your child learn to manage their emotions; help to prevent behaviour problems in your child; teach your child to deal with conflict? If this is something that you are interested in, please contact Mrs Monk via the School Office.

Y6 Booster: There will be no booster session on Monday 9 October due to the interhouse competition. More details to follow.

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.

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.

Safeguarding: Please ensure your child brings in a waterproof, warm and preferably bright coat each day. The weather is so changeable currently that the weather may change through the day. Children are on the playground in almost all weathers so they need a good coat to keep them dry and warm.

Question on the gate: "Is there going to be a school disco this term?"

"School Council raised this with me on Tuesday this week. We are putting everything in place and hope to hold a disco this term. We will let you know more next week when we have secured a date and made the necessary arrangements."

Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum including holidays

| Cockle Moor | Haymoor | Leazemoor | Perrymoore | Portmoor | Saltmoor | Kingsmoor |
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| | 88% | 90% | 91% | 94% | 96% | 82% |

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 |
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| 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 | | Perrymoore | 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 Perrymoore 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. |