

HEPS News



Week beginning 16.10.2023

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	No Busy Bees	Storynory 15:30-16:30 No Busy Bees	Storynory 15:30-16:30 No Busy Bees	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30 Wear PE kit No Busy Bees	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30 No Busy Bees	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30 No Busy Bees	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30 No Busy Bees
Friday	Inset	Inset	Inset	Inset	Inset	Inset	Inset

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

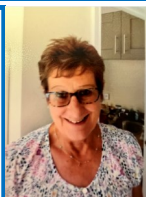
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Quick link to Calendar Dates:

[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:

Meals reminder All pupils
Secondary place applications some Y6 pupils

School Lunches: Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 17 October 2023 for meals W/C 30 October 2023 (week 2 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

School disco: The School Council have finalised the disco details. We will be a holding school disco on Friday 10 November. It will not have a theme so any clothes or costumes will be fine. The first disco will be from 17:00-17:45 for Years R, 1 and 2. A parent or carer will need to accompany Reception and Year 1 children. The KS2 disco will be from 18:00-19:00.

Tickets will be sold on the evening for £2. We will encourage water bottles to be brought along. There will be a tuck shop selling sweets, crisps and juice. We may also have a tattoo booth although these would need to be removed before returning to school on the Monday. Children must not bring more than £4 into the disco please.

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.

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.

Clothes donations: Please bring in any bags of spare clothes to school on Monday 20th November 2023.

London residential: Please could any outstanding balances be paid by the end of October.

PE kit: We have a PE kit which is very simple and inexpensive. Please ensure your child has the correct kit: black shorts/track suit bottoms and a navy t-shirt. The shorts, tracksuit bottoms and t-shirts should be logo free and plain.

Huish Episcopi Academy: The Academy will be hosting a SEND Information coffee morning on 31/10/2023 1000 - 1200.

There will be representatives from Somerset Council Community Inclusion and Local offer teams, Somerset Parent Carer Forum, Autism Somerset, Escape Support Group and a few others joining us as well as members of our own SEN team in attendance. We warmly invite the parents/carers of your Year 5 and Year 6 students on the SEN register, those undergoing assessment, or ones you feel may benefit, that would like to attend as well as members of staff that are available and want to join us. We are hoping this will become a termly event moving forwards, dependent on engagement. Please could you send the link below to parent/carers that you feel will benefit from attending;

[SEN Information Coffee Morning 2023/24 \(jotform.com\)](https://jotform.com)

Cocklemoor class: We strongly encourage parents and carers to change their child's book on the trolley in the playground. Please only change for a pink banded book at this stage. Please ask a member of staff for help if you are unsure of what to do.

Safeguarding: If children wear earrings to school, these should be small studs only. Hoop earrings or other designs should not be worn. Please wait for the summer holiday to pierce ears so children have the summer holiday to get used to them. If earrings are worn in school, parents should provide tape for PE days for them to be covered. These measures are in place to protect your child from injury.

Question on the gate: "My child says there are lots of visitors coming into her classroom. Who are they and why are they visiting?"

"I'm really pleased to say that we have lots of visitors to our school. Visitors include future families and children; we have had multiple potential Reception 2024 children visiting over the last few weeks and have several more next week. We sometimes have potential applicants for vacancies although we currently don't have any openings. Peers from around the county such as Teachers and Headteachers also visit to see our excellent practice as HEPS has been recommended to them by others working in education. We will also be opening our doors to parents later in the school year to join classes for a learning session.

Please rest assured that children do not stop their learning when visitors enter the classrooms. Visitors are always accompanied by me or another member of senior staff and follow safeguarding procedures. I am always proud to open our doors to show people how hard everyone works and the fantastic curriculum offer we have for our children."

Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum including holidays

Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoore	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
80%	88%	95%	94%	85%	90%	94%

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	Half term	Half term	Half term
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. School disco.
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.