

# HEPS News



Week beginning 13.11.2023

## The Week Ahead...

	Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
<b>Monday</b>		Bring in PE kit					Booster 15:30-16:30
<b>Tuesday</b>		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	Wear PE kit HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30
<b>Wednesday</b>					Wear PE kit Netball 15:30-16:30	Netball 15:30-16:30	Netball 15:30-16:30
<b>Thursday</b>		Storynory 15:30-16:30	Bring in PE kit  Storynory 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty Cheerleading 15:30-16:30
<b>Friday</b>	Bring in PE kit  Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Wear PE kit  Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Children in Need Mufti  Bake Sale	Swimming 13:00-15:00  Children in Need Mufti  Bring cakes in please

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

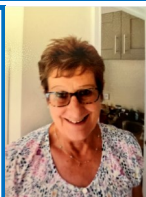
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Quick link to Calendar Dates:

**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:

Class Fundraising	All pupils
Meals reminder	All pupils
Haymoor local walk	All pupils
Disco email	All pupils

**School Lunches:** Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 14 November 2023 for meals W/C 20 November 2023 (week 2 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

**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. 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. All children will have bought home a bag and leaflet this week with information what they will and will not accept. Please bring the filled bag into school on Monday morning and leave it outside, opposite the Coronation Room door.

**Lost property:** Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled especially the younger children. We have an inordinate amount of school uniform items in the basket in the hall foyer. Please check in this regularly if you are missing items. Most of the clothing in the basket is unnamed which leads to it being unclaimed.

**Staff news:** Miss Laurence will be leaving us next month. We wish her all the best in her new role and thank her for her service at HEPS. We will be advertising a lunchtime post imminently so please contact the School Office or speak to Mrs Doughty Davis if you might be interested in this role.

**Children in need:** There is no theme this year but children may wear mufti on this date. We are asking for donations of £1 per child.

**PE kit:** May we suggest knee high socks are worn on Cocklemoor PE days or maybe pack a pair of socks to wear home as children wearing tights struggle to put their tights back on after PE.

Children should be wearing a navy t-shirt and their navy sweatshirt on PE days. PE clothing should be logo and design free.

**Wise Up Workshops - free parent / carer workshops :** Being a parent carer of a child or young person with additional needs can bring extra situations which are challenging to know how to handle. To help support parent carers navigate these the Somerset Parent Carer Forum and NHS have created a range of free workshops based on subjects such as helping your child with transitions, managing behaviour that challenges, helping your child manage their anxiety and understanding sensory difficulties. Your child does not need to have a diagnosis for you to attend these sessions. Please click on the following link to find out how to register for the workshops: <https://somersteparentcarerforum.org.uk/home/wise-up-workshops/> If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Monk.

**Safeguarding:** This is a reminder that we strongly encourage children to cycle and scoot to school. If children are cycling, they must wear a helmet on every occasion.

**Costume help:** In preparation for the Nativity, we are asking for volunteers to help with some costumes. We have a good store of costumes but find we are in need of the following: 1 cockerel headpiece; 1 owl headpiece; 1 dog (onesie), 1 cow costume (onesie?), mice (tails, ears), 3 camels, 2 pig masks/ears and a nose and two pink t-shirts, 2 sheep masks. Could you please contact the School Office by the end of next week if you have any of these items to donate or are able to make one of them by the end of the month. Thank you in advance for your help.

**Question on the gate:** "Why are you asking for proof of appointments?"

"We are kindly asking parents and carers to provide proof of appointments when children are absent from school. This can be in the form of a screenshot sent by email, a paper copy etc.

We are prioritising improving attendance and punctuality as we know there is an extremely strong correlation between success both now and in the future for our children. Whilst this is a priority, we know we are limited in this endeavour when children need to attend medical appointments. We would like to focus on supporting low attendance and poor punctuality where it is needed most and not when it is related to medical appointments. Thank you in advance for supporting our work in this area."

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

Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
88%	100%	90%	91%	94%	84%	96%

## 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. <b>School disco.</b>
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.