

HEPS News



Week beginning 6.11.2023

The Week Ahead...

	Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
Monday		Bring in PE kit					Booster 15:30-16:30 Yellow team multi day
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	Wear PE kit HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Rugby 15:30-16:30
Wednesday					Wear PE kit Netball 15:30-16:30	Netball 15:30-16:30	
Thursday			Bring in 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 start School disco	School disco	School disco	Wear PE kit School disco	School disco	School disco	Swimming 13:00-15:00 School disco

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

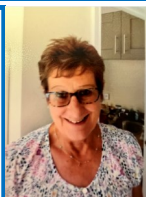
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HEPS Chair of Governors:
Mrs Julia Gadd



**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:

HEPS Harmonies	Individual pupils
Kingsmoor residential	Y6 pupils
Early closing email and thank you email	All pupils except Y6

School Lunches: Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 7 November 2023 for meals W/C 13 November 2023 (week 1 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

School disco: Thanks to the School Council, we are holding a school disco on Friday 10 November. Here are the details:

YR-Y2	17:00-17:45	YR and Y1 must have an adult accompanying them. There is a ratio of one adult to two children maximum. Drop off and pick up will be at the gate.
Y3-6	18:00-19:00	Drop off at the gate. Pick up on the playground from the back of the hall.

No tickets are needed as entry will be on the gate to avoid lost tickets. No child should bring a £5/£10/£20 note into school as they almost always go missing and we may not be able to change them. A maximum of £4 should be brought into the disco please. Crisps, sweets, tattoos and a refillable cup will all cost 50p each. Parents are kindly asked to take home coats at drop off and bring them in when they collect children as we have limited storage in the hall with the disco taking place. Thank you for supporting this social and fundraising event which we know the children will enjoy.

Perrymoor: Perrymoor class will be looking at food groups and balanced diets in Science on Monday. Please send in labels from tinned foods (not the tins), cereal boxes, bread bags, dried foods labels, chocolate bar wrappers, crisp packets etc. The children will then have plenty of labels to explore and categorise.

Reading treat: School Council voted for doughnuts or sweets for the reading treat for those who read five times over the holiday. Thank you for encouraging your child to keep up with their reading over the holiday. This is important to ensure these routines are embedded whether it's term time or the holiday.

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: We will be sending home clothes collection bags next week. Please bring in any bags of spare clothes to school on Monday 20th November. There are restrictions which will be communicated later next week.

Survey: If you are a new parent or carer to the school this term, we will be sending you a survey over the next few weeks to gather your views on what you think we do well and where improvements should be made. Please look out for the email and complete the brief questionnaire. We are keen to hear from as many new families as possible. We will be sending out a survey to all existing parents later in the school year.

Safeguarding: It is the time of year when children can get very close to fire, fireworks and firework debris which can all be fascinating but very dangerous. All children are taught about this at school but please reiterate these messages at home. Have a safe weekend.

Question on the gate: "Something has upset me. Who do I speak to?"

"Firstly, I am sorry that you feel upset. This is never our intention. We think long and hard about everything we do to support everyone in our school community. Occasionally, we will get it wrong, and sometimes we do things which are necessary but which we can't explain to parents as they are confidential. However, when anyone feels upset, I am always keen to listen and understand how we can resolve a situation by improving.

There are many ways you can contact us and let us know there is something you need to discuss. If the matter is regarding your child, then your first point of contact is their Teacher. Teachers are available on the playground in the mornings and afternoons. Mrs Soakell can help with many matters. She is available in the School Office between 08:30 and 16:00 Monday to Friday. If your issue hasn't been resolved, or if the matter goes beyond your child, please let me know. I am happy to have a conversation on the playground in the morning or afternoon, or you can phone the School Office to book an in-person or phone meeting with me. I am always keen to hear from you and prefer resolving issues when they first take place.

I have had conversations this week where parents were not happy. The way the parents approached this was fantastic. They caught me on the playground with plenty of time to spare. They were measured, spoke politely and were reasonable in their expectations. They are parents who regularly give me positive feedback too. They explained the issue with specific examples which helped with my understanding of the situation. They spoke to me directly clarifying factual information. They didn't revert to social media or the in-person equivalent.

I would like to thank them for their help with this matter and the way they approached it."

Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum including holidays

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76%	76%	85%	94%	76%	88%	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	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.