

HEPS News



Week beginning 29.1.2024

The Week Ahead...

	Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
Monday					Please wear PE kit		Booster 15:30-16:30
Tuesday	Storynory 15:30-16:30	Storynory 15:30-16:30	Secret coders Storynory 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Secret coders Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Secret coders Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	HEPS Harmonies Cheerleading 15:30-16:30	Please wear PE kit HEPS Harmonies Cheerleading 15:30-16:30
Wednesday			Please bring PE kit in		Football 15:30-16:30	Football 15:30-16:30	Football 15:30-16:30
Thursday	Please bring PE kit in Arty crafty 15:30-16:30	Please bring PE kit in Arty crafty 15:30-16:30	Arty crafty 15:30-16:30	Drama 15:30-16:30	Dodgeball Drama 15:30-16:30	Dodgeball 15:30-16:30	Dodgeball 15:30-16:30
Friday	Bake sale	Bake sale	Bake sale	Please wear PE kit Bake sale	Bake sale	Swimming 13:00-15:00 Please bring in cakes	Bake sale

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

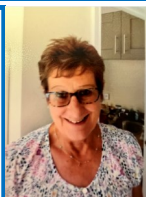
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Quick link to Calendar Dates:

[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:

HEPS Harmonies (choir)

All pupils

Term dates

All pupils

School Lunches: Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 30 January 2024 for meals W/C 5 February 2024 (week 3 menu). You do not need to select a pudding when ordering a packed lunch.

Saltmoor swimming: If you are able to help walk the children on any Friday afternoon to/from the Academy, please contact the School Office as we are unable to undertake these lessons unless we have this support.

Community garden: We are really pleased to announce that after consultation with the Landmark Langport Trust, part of the garden behind the Town Hall will be opened as a community garden. It has been named as Walter's Garden, as a tribute to Walter Bagehot. No doubt there will be opportunities for the school to support and use this space.

There is an email address for anyone who would like more information or to offer their help: waltersgarden.langport@gmail.com

Y6 SATs evening: Thank you to everyone who came to the recent Y6 SATs evening. When we arrange events such as these, we are thrilled they are so well attended. We hope you found it informative.

Interhouse: Thank you for helping your child support the interhouse cake decorating competition. We had over 120 entries which is more than half the school. School Council voted on the judges with Teachers being the winning count. Teachers judged the entries of a class which was not their own.

All children gain points for their house which are then added to the house point total with the winning house earning a mufti day next half term.

School Council news: Please pencil in Thursday 8 February for a school disco! More information to follow although it will be a similar format to last time.

The School Council looked into a film night but they decided the cost of a licence was too much for a reasonable ticket price. There may be an alternative option which they are discussing so watch this space.

World Book Day: This year we are celebrating World Book Day on Wednesday 7th March 2024.

As usual, we will be encouraging the children to dress up if they wish. If you would like to get a head start on costumes, our theme this year is 'Picture Book Characters'.

Somerset SCITT: are currently recruiting Teachers for the 2024-25 Teacher Training course and have several events happening across the spring term. Several of the teaching team are SCITT babies, including Mrs Doughty Davis. Please find information about these events here: [All our events and our latest video can be found here.](#)

Safeguarding: Here's an online safety tip. The Facebook Link History Tool tracks all of your browsing history online, not just on Facebook. Facebook then sells your browsing history to advertisers. This may increase your risk of data being lost or mismanaged. Here is how to turn it off: Open the Facebook app, tap 'Menu', 'Settings & Privacy', 'Settings', 'Browser', and toggle off 'Allow link history'.

Question on the gate: "We've heard a lot in the news about school buildings. Is ours OK?"

"With our amazing main building approaching 150 years old, there are always going to be one or two issues.

We are currently trying to remedy ongoing occasional leaks in several places. However, we are in a very good place with our buildings through good monitoring and a great deal of remedial work having taken place in the last six years.

We had a new boiler in the summer which has improved this winter hugely for us all. Almost all of our windows were replaced three years ago. The cabin is only two years old. The radon issue has been resolved through a (costly) filtration system. There have been various amounts of asbestos removed in the past few years. We have completed the redecoration of the site ready to start again! We have been successful in bidding for government funds for several of these projects which has enabled us to bring our site back up to the standards our children and staff deserve. This is an ongoing battle though!

Our children are very respectful of their surroundings and I am sure will look back on their time in this beautiful school with fond memories. It is the same for staff. We know how fortunate we are to come to work in such a historic and inspiring building."

Sparkle Jar Reading—5 reads a week minimum including holidays

Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoore	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
96%	92%	95%	91%	100%	92%	88%

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
01/01/2024		Leazemoor	Monday: Bank holiday (no children). No clubs this week. Tuesday: no Early birds. Friday: mufti day for house points for the blue team.
08/01/2024	Friday Haymoor Celebration		Thursday: Y6 parent meeting for SATs.
15/01/2024		Cocklemoor	Monday: Deadline for applying for a primary school place for R24 children.
22/01/2024	Friday Kingsmoor Celebration		Monday, 09:00: Interhouse mini cake decorating competition
29/01/2024		Saltmoor	
05/02/2024			Thursday: School Council event for whole school (to be confirmed) Friday: INSET (no children)
12/02/2024	Half term	Half term	Half term
19/02/2024	Friday Portmoor Celebration		Monday: no Early birds. Friday: mufti day for house points (team unknown). Wednesday: Interhouse cross country (no football club).
26/02/2024		Perrymoor	Monday: no Early birds. Friday: mufti day for house points (team unknown). Friday: deadline for secondary school applications.
04/03/2024	Friday Leazemoor Celebration		Thursday: World Book Day, theme: a character from a picture/ Reception book. Various events (more info to follow).
11/03/2024		Haymoor	Friday: Red Nose Day, mufti for £1 donation.
18/03/2024	Friday Cocklemoor Celebration		Wednesday and Thursday: parents evenings. No clubs this week.
25/03/2024			No clubs this week. Vocab mats sent home.