

# HEPS News



Week beginning 22.04.2024

## The Week Ahead...

	Cockle Moor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoore	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
Monday					Please wear PE kit		Booster club 15:30-16:30
Tuesday				Stitchers 15:30-16:30	Rounders Stitchers 15:30-16:30	Rounders 15:30-16:30	Please wear PE kit Rounders 15:30-16:30
Wednesday			Please bring PE kit in				
Thursday	Please bring PE kit in Wiggly Wrigglers 15:30-16:30	Wiggly Wrigglers 15:30-16:30	Wiggly Wrigglers 15:30-16:30			Please wear PE kit Netball 15:30-16:30	Netball 15:30-16:30
Friday		Please bring PE kit in		Swimming 13:00-15:00		Celebration assembly 15:00 prompt start	

Quick link to our Twitter Feed:

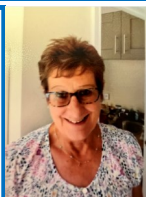
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Quick link to Calendar Dates:

**[HEPS Diary Dates](#)**

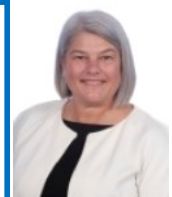
**HEPS Chair of Governors:**  
Mrs Julia Gadd



**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead :**  
Miss Chadbourne  
Deputy Headteacher



**Designated Safeguarding Lead:**  
Mrs Doughty Davis  
Headteacher



### Letters/emails sent out recently or reminders:

Portmoor trip

Portmoor pupils

Saltmoor PE

Saltmoor pupils

New Reception pupils

R24 families

**School Lunches:** Please make your menu choices and/or book and pay on Schoolcomms by 09:00am on Tuesday, 23 April 2024 for meals W/C 29 April 2024 (week 3 menu). Please select 'Packed Lunch Chosen' in the dessert box when ordering a packed lunch option as main.

**Lunchtimes:** We have started the term with several changes during lunchtimes. A new lunch provider has started positively with children enjoying the new menu which is leading to less food waste—great news! Lunchtime clubs have been a huge hit although some children are still getting into the swing of remembering where to go and at what time; we will continue to support them with this for the first few weeks. Alongside this, we are due to have new members of the lunchtime team and hopefully time on the field. Well done and thank you to everyone for managing all these changes so well.

**Uniform:** We have lots of 'new to you' uniform in our store which we would like to find a new home. Please think ahead to the warmer weather and either email the School Office or speak with Mrs Pengelly. Mrs Pengelly keeps our stock and store up-to-date and will reserve items for parents. Each item costs £1—a real bargain! Please help us to recycle perfectly good uniform, some of which still have tags attached.

We are hoping for some brighter weather in the weeks ahead. When the warmer weather arrives, please ensure your child brings a sun hat into school. Sun cream must be applied before children arrive in school in the mornings. Please ensure children with long hair have it tied back particularly in the warmer weather.

**Perrymoor swimming:** Perrymoor will be swimming for five sessions starting on Friday 19th April. If you can help walk the children to and from the Academy please contact the School Office.

**Parent Family Support Advisor (PFSA):** Our PFSA, Victoria Gould, will be holding a coffee morning in the Coronation Room on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 9am - 9:45am. Please come to the top gate at 9am if you would like to meet Victoria and discuss any issues with her. 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.

**Rounders:** If your child attends the Rounders after school club please send them into school in their PE kit on a Tuesday.

**Holiday reading treat:** The School Council will meet next week to discuss this. Children will receive their treat by the end of next week.

**Website:** We have recently updated our website by reducing some content and introducing new pages. Please take a look at the new information. We only have one more page to update. Do let us know if there is anything else you would find helpful to add to our website.

**Attendance:** All children had an update of the year-to-date attendance percentage on the school reports from the autumn and spring terms. If your child is struggling with attendance, we have many ways in which this can be improved. This support is based on school and families working together and presenting the same message about school attendance being compulsory other than in a very few cases.

We appreciate the co-operation of families who are providing us with appointment letters—this is almost every family in school - thank you. If parents wish to take children out of school during term time, or permit their child to stay off school, please ensure that the School Office has been informed on every occasion. If this absence is for a reason other than medical needs, the absence is likely to be marked as unauthorised. If children are taken out of school for any other reason, such as for a holiday, a fine is likely to be issued. Fines are usually £60, per week, per child, per parent. These costs increase if they are not paid within 21 days. This money is not collected or received by the school. This is the same system in place for every state school in the country.

We ask parents to consider the impact that absence has on a child for each day they are away from education and the additional workload and pressure this creates for school staff who already work incredibly hard.

**Safeguarding:** It's that time of year (finally) when all children need to bring a sun hat into school and have sun cream applied before they come into school in the mornings. Each day we are checking the field so children can go on there as soon as the grass is dry enough. The children really enjoy time on the field but there isn't as much shade as we would like so sun hats and suncream are essential.

**Question on the gate:** "Why don't we get much notice for some of the trips (and some aren't on the termly calendar)?"

"We have a comprehensive programme of planned educational visits which has a balance and progression across the school. This is planned in advance of the school year starting. Many educational visit venues will not permit bookings this far in advance therefore we don't know the exact date until nearer the time. Similarly, we are occasionally sent invitations for events very near to the date they are taking place. Where these events have beneficial content for our children, and align with our curriculum, we endeavor to accommodate these experiences too, even if that means that there is a shorter notice period than we would like. We try to keep these occasions to a minimum but please bear with us when this happens."

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

Cocklemoor	Haymoor	Leazemoor	Perrymoor	Portmoor	Saltmoor	Kingsmoor
84%	92%	75%	88%	88%	76%	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
15/04/2024		Kingsmoor	Clubs start this week except athletics Monday: no Early birds Tuesday: R24 primary places sent to parents Wednesday-Friday: Y4 PGL residential Wednesday: Perrymoor educational visit Friday: mufti day for house points awarded to the yellow team
22/04/2024	Friday Saltmoor Celebration		Wednesday: PFSA drop in session 09:00
29/04/2024		Portmoor	Monday-Friday: KS1 SATs Wednesday: athletics starts this week Wednesday: Saltmoor educational visit
06/05/2024	Thursday Perrymoor Celebration		Monday: Bank holiday (no children) Tuesday-Friday: KS1 SATs
13/05/2024		Leazemoor	Monday-Friday: KS1 SATs Monday-Friday: KS2 SATs
20/05/2024			Vocab mats sent home. Monday-Friday: KS1 SATs Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday: R24 Pop-by sessions Friday PM: Interhouse swimming gala Friday: No Busy Bees
27/05/2024	Half term	Half term	Half term
03/06/2024	Friday Haymoor Celebration		Interhouse art competition details sent home Monday: no Early birds Monday: Class photos Monday-Friday: Y4 Multiplication check Wednesday: Rags to Riches collection fundraiser Thursday: R24 new parents meeting 16:30 Friday: mufti day for house points (team unknown)
10/06/2024		Cocklemoor	Monday-Friday: Y4 Multiplication check Monday-Friday: Phonics testing Monday-Wednesday: R24 Stay and Play sessions 14:15-15:15 Monday: Interhouse art competition deadline 09:00
17/06/2024	Friday Kingsmoor Celebration		
24/06/2024		Saltmoor	Thursday: Writing and Art Gallery (families invited) 14:30 Friday: INSET (no children)
01/07/2024	Thursday Portmoor Celebration		Monday: INSET (no children) Wednesday: Move-up day for YR-Y5. Y6 at the Academy. R24 in school for the morning only.
08/07/2024		Perrymoor	Monday-Thursday: Y6 Bikeability
15/07/2024	Friday Leazemoor Celebration		No clubs this week Vocab mats sent home
22/07/2024			No clubs this week Reports sent home Monday: Y6 event (parents not invited) Tuesday: Y6 leavers assembly (families invited) 14:30 Wednesday: No Busy Bees Wednesday: Sports day afternoon (families invited) 14:00 Wednesday: last day of term