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## Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a brilliant week welcoming pupils from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 back to our fabulous school. I know I have missed the children being around. It has taken the staff and pupils a little while to get used to the new environment but as always, our pupils have risen to the challenge!

I know many of you continue to be worried about how safe an environment the school is. To reassure you we have and continue to do everything we can to keep your child as safe as possible but of course there are no guarantees.

The recent Government announcement on when the rest of the years will come back to school has given us a great deal to think about. We will of course be keeping you informed on all our plans for your children returning to school.

If you have any concerns please contact me or any of my staff, we are here for you and your children.

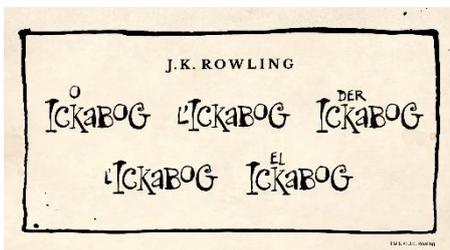
Distance learning will continue for all children and children who are in school will be following the same work.

Thank you for your continued support and patience while we ensure we can make our school as safe as we can for your children.

Alex Burrell  
**Headteacher**

### Latest news:

#### Reading



JK Rowling's new book The Ickabog has had chapters published daily over seven weeks and is free to read online <https://www.theickabog.com/home/>. Maybe your child could do a book review and upload onto Google Classrooms. If your child is aged between 7 -12 there is an exciting competition to illustrate each of the

chapters <https://theickabogcompetition.com/>



## National Book Tokens – Please Nominate Heartsease Primary Academy

We could win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our school's library, ready to spend when schools reopen – and if your entry is picked, you'll also get £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself! **Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020**

You all know the importance of a good school library – and not just for learning. Studies show that reading for pleasure doesn't just give children an advantage academically; it can improve their wellbeing, too. You can nominate Heartsease here <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Remember your children and you have access to daily reading, with access to over **6,000** digital books with myON. Click on the link below to start reading!

<https://readon.myon.co.uk/library/browse.html>

### Fun things to do with your children

In addition to the work children have been given to work on at home we still need to make sure that your children have fun. Each week there will be new activities for the children to do. They don't have to undertake them but it will break up the school day!

- ❖ With all this rain there will be lots of bugs in the garden. Get the children to identify them and upload pictures to GC or email pictures of the creepy crawlies in their garden! <https://www.capitalgardens.co.uk/kids-gardening-guide/creepy-crawlies-kids-guide/>
- ❖ Why not try some Saltwater Art, we'd love to see your paintings. You will need water, paints and salt. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=YS8RdxQrw4c>
- ❖ Norwich Puppet theatre has lots of fun things to do on their website <https://www.puppettheatre.co.uk/about-us/online-puppet-theatre>

### Year 4



A special shout out to the children in year 4 who have been working really hard. The core text this term is Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpugo, a chapter of which the children are sent each week to listen to.





The children started off the week learning about information leaflets and drawing their own Pacific islands on which they are basing their writing. The islands they produced are truly creative and imaginative. Some fabulous journey artwork in an Aboriginal style has been painted.

In their local history study the children have been looking into their own family tree. The morning Meets have been full of fun and laughter, making origami models, being shown what the children have produced in their own time, such as Roshan's Lego moving boat and Jennifer's machine sewn bag. This week the Meet ended with a puppet disco!

### **Keeping Fit**

#### **Virtual Rainbow Run 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

It is a virtual Rainbow run on Friday 19th June. Anyone can take part. All you need to do is to choose:

- how far you are going to run/how long you are going to run
- what colourful clothes you are going to wear

Please check out this video from the Norfolk School Games!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKP-asTLZ4Y&feature=youtu.be>

Upload pictures to their classroom or maybe send it in an email to [jo.marrison@heartseaseprimary.co.uk](mailto:jo.marrison@heartseaseprimary.co.uk)

### **Educating at Home**

Just a reminder that logging onto the Google Classrooms is the best way to access all the fantastic work the teachers have planned for the class, as well as being able to ask the teacher and/or TAs for support. Please log on each day and see the timetables from your teachers.

### **Google Classroom App**

We continue to be impressed with all the Distance Learning taking place on Google Classroom this week - well done everyone for all your hard work!



We would just like to make you all aware that Google Classroom can also be downloaded as an App on your phone or tablet - which could make it easier and quicker for you to access. Just go to the App Store and download Google Classroom (it's free!) then log-in with your child's details. You will be able to see their classroom and all the Classwork / Stream. This also makes it much quicker and easier to upload any work your child has completed. Simply take a picture of it, click on the assignment they have been set and click on 'Add attachment' to upload your picture to the classroom.

Please contact the IT helpdesk if you are having any problems with Google Classroom or have any questions to ask.

### **IMPORTANT - Medical Questionnaire:**

It is extremely important that Heartsease Primary Academy has your child's up to date medical information, including any conditions that may make them more vulnerable to Covid-19. This information is essential to inform their risk assessments and plans for how we can make school as safe as possible for children when we do return.

Please complete an online updated medical information questionnaire using the below link for your child/each of your children ASAP.

<https://forms.gle/vu4i5hrFqGmkPHrM8>

### **School Meals**

The link to apply free school meals is [www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo)

Information about the free school meals voucher scheme can be found at

<https://www.edenred.co.uk/reward-recipient/Free-School-Meal-Vouchers/>

### **Parents Helpline: 07443908515**

Our Parents Helpline is available to offer advice to parents and carers who may be finding life at home difficult during this time at home with your children. You may have questions, concerns or simply need to talk to someone. We understand that this is a difficult time and want you to know that we are only a phone call away.

### **Emails – please check**

Please ensure you check your emails regularly particularly during this period as this is the only way we can contact you. The website will also have copies of newsletters on for your information.

### **Contact Details - IMPORTANT**



In case of emergencies we must have at least 2 different contact details for each child. Please send an email to [office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk) or phone the office if you need to update any telephone numbers. In case of medical or any other emergency we must be able to get hold of someone straight away.

### **Updated Coronavirus Advice**

**Remember** There are things you can do to help stop germs like coronavirus spreading:

**Stay alert** and follow government advice if it is essential you leave the house.

Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.

- wash your hands more often than usual, for 20 seconds each time with soap and water or hand sanitiser, especially when you:
  - get home or into work
  - blow your nose, sneeze or cough
  - eat or handle food
- avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

### **For those children who are in school the following advice applies:**

If any member of your family or household has a new continuous cough or high temperature that has measured **37.8** or above then you are required to carry out household isolation for 14 days.

Any pupils who develop a temperature during the school day will be sent home and your entire family will need to isolate for 14 days.

## **Upcoming events:**

**End of School Year - 21 July 2020**

**Please note there is a phased return timetable for the children who are back in school. This is to ensure we can review the risk assessments we have in place and make any changes to the school/procedures as necessary. The days when the children will be in for the next few weeks (I will add the final weeks of the term nearer the time) are below:**



|                  | wc: 15.06.20  | wc: 22.06.20  | wc: 29.06.20  | wc: 06.07.20                 |
|------------------|---|---|---|------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Reception and Year 1  | Reception and Year 1  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Reception and Year 1  | Reception and Year 1  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Reception and Year 1  | Reception and Year 1  | <b>School Closed Except for Key workers &amp; Vulnerable Pupils</b> | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Year 6 only   | Year 6 only   | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>School Closed Except for Key workers &amp; Vulnerable pupils</b> | <b>School Closed Except for Key workers &amp; Vulnerable pupils</b> | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6  | Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 |



## Times Tables Rock Stars Battles

Well done for another fabulous week by everyone - some incredible times table rocking as usual!

Last week we started another year group battle and the results are SO close that we are going to roll over these battles for one more week! The current leaders (just!) are...

Y1 vs. Y2... Y2!

Y3 vs. Y4... Y3!

Y5 vs. Y6... Y5!



Let's see if you can help your year group win this battle by the end of next week!

Special mention this week to our top scorers: Deimante (Y6), Alfie E (Y5), Fin L (Y3) and Cayden G (Y2).

### **Times Tables Rock Stars**

**Aqua** – Frank because you have 4,128 coins and 443 correct answers this week!

**Topaz** – David has the certificate this week for practising the most over the last 7 days.

**Quartz** – Deimante

**Citrine** - Fin has been upping his game every week. Great Effort Fin.

### **Health and Fitness Champion of the Week**

**Elise** is Heartsease's Health and Fitness Champion this week for being creative with her fitness and for continuing to be passionate about her gymnastics. She took her AirTrack to the field and was practicing some awesome flips. She has also been challenging herself every day to push her ability in her strength, flexibility and balance. Mrs Marrison is very impressed and proud of your efforts Elise.

Well done!



### Prodigy Award:

**Topaz-** Jack G is top of the Leaderboard this week for correctly answering over 100 questions. Well done.

Jayden is second, having answered over 70 questions correctly. Great work.

### This Week's Bees Knees Awards:

**Jade** – Adam who always logs onto the google classroom and tries his best. Well done Adam.

**Jasper-** Logan for his determination and resilience during distance learning he is doing a superb job.

**Opal** – Portia for her understanding in the Time unit and for working to the best of her ability.

**Onyx** – Isla has been working her hardest in English and Maths and has made some amazing artwork in the last few weeks. She is engaged in the lessons and I am so proud of her. Keep smiling Isla! Miss G

**Ruby** – Liam because we played Snakes and Ladders on our chat and Liam decided to roll the dice twice each time, adding the numbers to find the total before moving on – it was really clever.

**Aqua-** Julian because you should be proud of completing all your work, you do this with determination and ambition! What a star!

**Amber-** Kayla because she has worked very hard to push herself in her work. She found completing tasks quite tricky in the past



but has really improved how she approaches the work. She is showing more creativity and ambition in her writing.

**Coral-** Jessica for her amazing efforts to complete every subject set with such enthusiasm. Keep it up for next week too! I am very proud Jess. You are so fabulous!

**Crystal -** Hayley - for all her exciting experiments she has been doing for our Science Themed Week. I am so proud. Well done Hayley.

**Citrine-** Lily- May for her entry in Lucy's diary describing when she discovered Narnia. It gave the reader so much information about what happened. Well done.

**Topaz-** Huey for trying hard on the google classroom and joining in our morning Meets.

**Garnet -** Tyler for having a brilliant week, submitting superb work and being extra positive!

**Sapphire-** Logan for being ambitious in his work and listening and reacting to feedback really well.

**Emerald-**



Dixie has designed this amazing poster to raise awareness of #BLM and is writing a brilliant newspaper article about this subject.

**Diamond-** Robert for impressing with his dedication to doing his work and being our high scorer on Times Table Rock Stars this week. Fantastic work this week Robert! Keep it up!



**Quartz-** Oscar because you have worked so hard on google classroom, even while recovering from an operation – really well done and keep up the great work!

**Dolomite** - Jessie for all the amazing work she has done on Google Classroom, including Year 7 Algebra!! Well Done!

**These awards would normally be celebrated at our Celebration Assembly on Fridays. Children will receive certificates for their awards when we are all back at school!**

For all the latest news and dates for your diary  
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