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Primary Academy

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Newsletter 16th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another term and another year and what a year it has been. We are immensely proud of all our pupils and their parents/carers who have navigated all the challenges that this year has brought.

What a fun few weeks we have had in the school with the Christmas meal, Christmas jumper day and the crazy Santa dash. We hope your children enjoyed it as much as we did.

This week we had our virtual panto day and another Christmas jumper day. The Christmas term has been different but we hope the children will have enjoyed themselves.

As we begin 2021 we don't know what new challenges this year will bring. What we do know is that you and your children will continue to support us at school as we continue to educate our bright stars of the future in a safe and caring environment.

Please don't forget that today is the last day of this term: Thursday 17th December.

We wish you and your families a fun Christmas and New Year and we look forward to seeing you in 2021.

Happy Christmas.

Alex Burrell
Headteacher

News

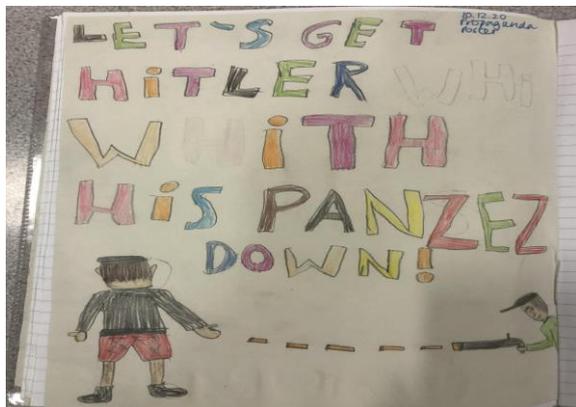
Christmas Holiday Free School Meals

We will again be providing free school meals vouchers during the Christmas holiday. If you are registered for free school meals you do not need to do anything.

All parents (including reception) can check if they are entitled to free school meals using this link www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo

Year 4

Year 4 pupils have been writing propaganda posters for World War Two.



This is Sabine's great work.

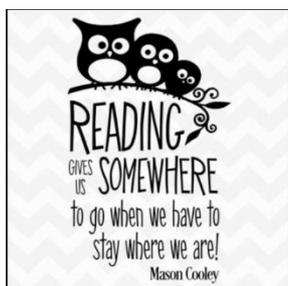
Music Lessons

SAM Music service provides one-to-one lessons on drum kit, guitar, piano and vocals. Lessons are 30 minutes and cost £16.50 each. Lessons take place outside of school hours online from home. If you are interested please contact Rob Biss www.sammusicservice.com

They do accept childcare vouchers, which can be a helpful way of reducing the price of lessons for parents able to pay this way.

Reading Miles

Here at Heartsease, we love reading. Each week the children's reads are recorded and they can gain House Points.



Nits

Just a reminder to check your child's hair as nits unfortunately are a common occurrence in primary schools. If your child should have nits please treat



immediately. Once treated there is no need to keep them off school. More information can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Naming School Uniform

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we can no longer have a lost property box on school premises. Please ensure all items of school uniform is labelled with your child's name and class.

Outdoor PE kit

Parents/Carers are reminded that the children must have their outdoor PE kits in school please. The children should have the below:

- Black/navy tracksuit trousers
- Black/navy hoodie
- Socks
- Trainers
- Yellow PE top
- Gloves and hat (no scarfs)

A reminder about earrings, you need to supply earring tape or remove earrings on PE day please.

Important: The office is not able to take in forgotten PE kit. PE kit should be left in school to the end of term and then taken home.

Please be reminded that PE is not optional and is an important part of the school curriculum. Please note the following:

- KS1 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit three times.
- KS2 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit twice.

Please ensure that all PE kit is labelled with the name of the child.

School Meals

Please ensure that you have ordered a meal for your child by **9.00am**.

Please note that your child is not able to change the meal that you have ordered for them. If you wish to change the choice of meal for your child please email or come to the school office before 9.00am. Please note that for Year 3 and above the office cannot order meals.

All parents (including reception) should check if they are entitled to free school meals using this link www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo



Please note that any changes to the menu will be on this weekly newsletter.

The Office

Unless it is an urgent matter, if you wish to speak to the office or see me, please either email the office office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk or call and make an appointment.

Please also note the office is unable to take in forgotten kit or lunch, so please make sure that your child has everything they need for their school day.

Parking and Vehicles in the School Car Park

Only parents/carers who have a school parking permit are allowed to enter the school car park (these are only issued on medical grounds, and with prior authorisation from the Headteacher) – everyone else should park well away from the school entrances. Please ensure the main entrance is left clear and that the safety of pedestrians is considered at all times. Only those with a disabled permit should be parking in the disabled bay.

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. **Please make sure that we have the correct email address for you.**

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 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.

Coronavirus Advice



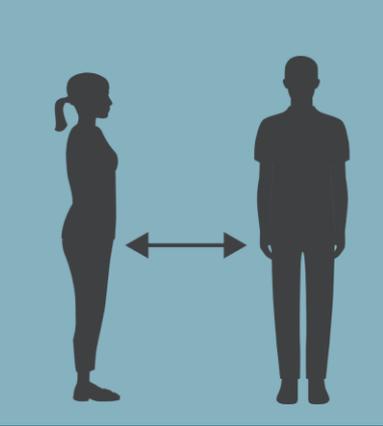
Coronavirus: What you need to do



Wash your hands



Wear a face covering



Keep your distance

Upcoming events:

Thursday 17th December – LAST DAY OF TERM

Monday 4th January – BACK TO SCHOOL



Times Tables Rock Stars Battles

To end the term we finished with the ultimate battle... Teachers vs. Children! And there was a clear winner...

	Class average / user	Class score
1	Students	105,065
2	Teachers	1,986

Well done everyone - an amazing score!!



There were some incredible individual scores to end the term too - special mention this week goes to Adam in Y6 - wow! Well done to all of our top scorers:

1	 Adam I Students	14,514
2	 Stella Students	7,464
3	 Tyler A Students	6,003
4	 Roshan Students	3,511
5	 Elise Students	3,322
6	 Ezio Students	2,887
7	 Lily A Students	2,351
8	 Evie A Students	2,203
9	 Savannah Students	2,038
10	 Natacha Students	1,936

And we can't forget the teachers...

In reverse order, the top three scorers were:

3rd place: Ms Wynter

2nd place: Miss Mills

1st place: Mr Mackie!!!!

Well done to everyone for all your hard work with times tables this term - we have seen a huge improvement across the school. We will return to our battles in the New Year but remember you can still access TTRS over the holidays to keep up those scores! Happy Christmas everyone :-)

Times Tables Rock Stars

Quartz – Alfie beating your personal best score on the baseline tests on paper - fantastic progress!

Quartz Prodigy Tiffany - for getting every single question correct on Prodigy this week - awesome!





Head Teacher Awards



Ruby – Redeen has made amazing progress with speaking; reading; writing and maths this term.

Jade – Harry- Jay for always working hard and trying his best.

Jasper- Braxton for his determination to learn how to write his name and we are all super proud of him

Opal - Leo for a positive attitude to learning, a willingness to participate and kindness to others

Onyx – Lusia for her determination all term in every area of learning and for always being so polite!

Aqua- Mohamed, you are showing lots of confidence in maths, you can explain the methods you use to solve maths problems and are an amazing times table rockstar! You now know the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables! Magnificent Mohamed!

Amber- Lexi for being so dedicated to her learning, she puts 100% effort into absolutely everything she does.

Lexi's behaviour is exemplary and she is such a fantastic role model for the rest of her class.

We are so proud of everything Lexi has accomplished this year Lexi, she truly is a star, not just at Christmas but always!

Well done



Coral- Henry has had an amazing term. He shows a determination to improve in all his work. He has a fantastic work ethic with real focus. He listens carefully, responding appropriately and thoughtfully. Henry is very helpful and is always willing to help his classmates and me.

Crystal – Paul for being a caring and helpful member of the class as well as working exceptionally hard all term. Well done Paul.

Garnet – Lily-May has been outstanding in her hard work in class. Her support with her partner is brilliant, allowing her to improve as well as help her partner build confidence in herself. She has added extra layers to her writing and continued to produce wonderfully presented work throughout the half term. Very well done Lily!

Tanzanite – Nadia for always giving her 100% effort in every task, being kind to all her peers, and the best role model for Tanzanite class. You are a super star Nadia!

Topaz- Aiva has worked incredibly hard, happy to work independently and sharing her ideas and activities with others. She is very self motivated and always challenges herself to complete her work to the best of her abilities. Well done Aiva. Keep it up!

Emerald - Kanisha throughout the year she has tried hard, she has shown good independence and has improved in all aspects of the curriculum. She can always be relied upon and I hope this continues into the new year. Keep it up! Mr Mackie



Sapphire - Katie for consistently working hard and giving 100% in both her class work and school work. Katie has been challenging herself this half term and has shown a real enthusiasm for her learning.

Diamond- Zak has worked incredibly hard this half term and has always risen to any challenges presented! He always comes into school with a smile on his face and he is always kind and helpful. Well done Zak!

Quartz- Kaitlin - for getting on with all of your work sensibly, with a smile on your face, and also for volunteering to help in the library and to support others in class. We are all so proud of your contribution this term - well done!

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