



# Newsletter

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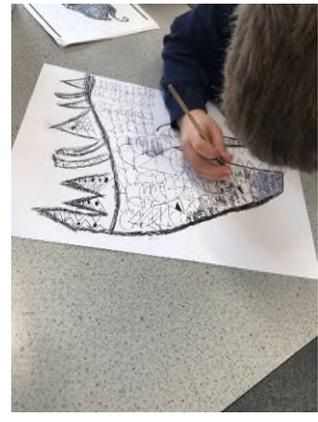
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## This week in the Art Room.

This week in the Art Room found us looking at World War Two and the architectural themes of Antonio Gaudi. Year Six listened to the songs of the war era and started their gas masks. We watched a war Pathe public information film on the correct use of one and how the spirit of the Blitz bonded the spirit of the population in London. We watched a very moving excerpt from the recent BBC documentary, 'Civilisations'. The clip focused on children's art in the Concentration Camp at Terezin in the now Czech Republic. A brave Art teacher brought with her a suitcase of materials so that the children could find escape and expression in Art. This proved a forceful memory that we should never forget.

Year Two created fierce dragons in response to the works of the Spanish Architect Gaudi. He loved the shapes and structures of reptiles and bones, drawing shapes and textures from the story of Barcelona's patron Saint, George and his slaying of the Dragon. We saw the sights and sounds of Gaudi's home town and had discussions on his buildings seeing the cathedral of the Sagrada Familia and how it will eventually resemble on completion, expected in 2016. We ended up with detailed pen and ink drawings of this fearsome beast.

## Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly:

Reception – Tycan and Emily

Year 1 – Claudia and Rowena

Year 2 – Chiara and Zoe

Year 3 – Emme and Josie

Year 4 – Hayden and the whole of 4D

Year 5 – Jie-En and Harriet U-T

Year 6 – Lydia and Timur

## Calling All Scooter Owners

We have quite a collection of abandoned scooters at the front of the school. Thanks to another successful grant application, we are having some fantastic new scooter and cycle storage installed! Before we do this we will need to dispose of any abandoned scooters which are not taken home.

If you think you have a scooter to take home, please collect it by Thursday 29th March at the latest. Any scooters left onsite over the Easter holidays will have to be disposed of.



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## Southwark Primary Schools Rugby League – by Mr Neve-Dunn

After last week's scoring feast where we won 7-0 (or 35-0 in rugby terms) this week was always going to be more challenging. The opponents, Beormond Primary, were experienced and large.

The Heber team discussed how we would play before the match. Everyone agreed to find out what the referee wanted, and how much they could push the offside line.

The team do not like playing Rugby League rules - everything seems so slow and you always have Mr Neve-Dunn moaning about the stop/start nature of the games. However, the players had devised tactics that would maximise their chances.

Heber played like Italian football teams using the Catenaccio defence (the Chain). Massive effort was put into nullifying the opponent's attacks. It was very negative; the match was about as interesting as queuing up at the Post Office or when someone reads directly from their PowerPoint presentation.

We won 2-0 against a good team. But nobody celebrated very much. "we won, but it was a bit boring" was the most popular comment. Nobody has scored against us in two matches. However, as a team Heber players were impressive, they have a plan and they have found a way to win. Particularly impressive was Isaam who organises the 'aggressive defence' and happily talks to the referee to find out what we can get away with!

**Well done: Finn, Laurie, Polly, Iris, Isaam, Oli, Cosmo, Luke, Sean, Siena and Louis.**

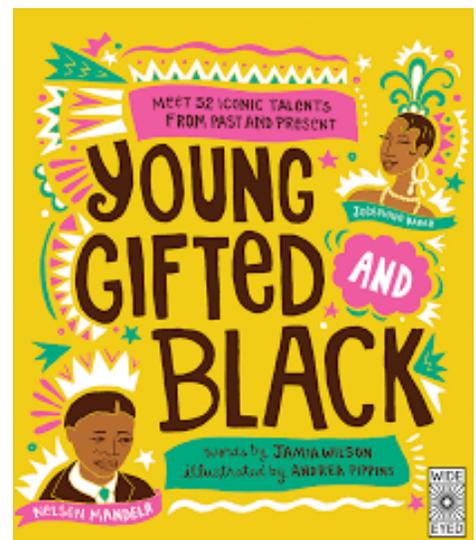
## Author visit 17<sup>th</sup> April - Jamia Wilson

After Easter, Heber are very excited to be hosting a visit from the author Jamia Wilson. She will be leading a workshop and talk with Years 5 and 6. She regularly speaks for audiences across the United States--and beyond. She talks about activism, feminism, race, social justice, spirituality, youth engagement, women's leadership, and social media banners and pedometers. Jamia will also be discussing her new book.

Children from any year group have the opportunity to buy a signed copy for £14.50. Please return payment in a marked envelope to the school office by Monday 26th March.

Please indicate on the envelope:

- Child's Name
- Child's Class / Year
- Preferred dedication inside the book
- Parent's Name





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## Congratulations to our new Prefects and Peer Mentors!

Being in Year 6 opens the door to lots of opportunities at Heber but perhaps the most sought after is the role of Prefect. The Prefects are more than role models to their peers, they are an extension of our staff team and support in a variety of ways around the school. After a gruelling application and interview process (with a Governor!) we are pleased to announce that the Prefects are: **Arun, Cosmo, Isabel, Eva, Iris, Josephine, Polly, Laurie and Marcie**

When asked to describe what makes Heber special the word often used is family; a word that our peer mentors embody. After a difficult application and interview process, six peer mentors were chosen to have a very special role within the school. They will be a visible presence in the playground supporting those who find play times difficult. They will be supporting in Early Years and KS1; being role models and teaching life skills such as turn taking. Keep an eye out for **Arthur, Fiona, Roxy, Harry, Tilly and Sean.**

## Weekly Music Awards

**KS1:** From 2L, our Key Stage 1 music award winner is Mylo. This week he has made great strides in his learning; firstly, in his rhythm and timing, secondly in his learning of scales, but mostly with his tuned and untuned instrument playing. He even played the whole of our new song by himself in front of the other children to model how it should sound. You have really earned the award this week Mylo, now keep on improving!

**Lower Key Stage 2:** Jimmy 4D is the Lower Key Stage 2 music award winner this week. There have been too many singing assemblies in which he has put in everything, to ignore and so many class lessons where he has grabbed the opportunities offered by the scruff of the neck. His enthusiasm is infectious, and he is showing himself to be a skilled musician.

**Upper Key Stage 2:** For outstanding and consistent effort, for extremely confident instrument playing, for a can-do-attitude and a determined work ethic, for positive participation, for superb singing in the choir – she could have won it so many times already this year – our Upper Key Stage 2 winner this week is Janelle from 5S.

## A Message from the Music Team

Who said spring hasn't sprung yet? Just when you thought the children's singing couldn't get any more beautiful, you revisit some songs we learnt a while ago and the seeds planted all those weeks past have bloomed into a thing of wonder. Big thanks of course to the team who are working hard on vocal and instrumental arrangements, and especially to the children who are creating dance routines to accompany said songs. It seems the children have the performance bug, and with so many going on at once it is difficult to choose a best-in-show. We have decided to take action and put into place a conduit for these performances to take place weekly, so watch this space. At least until the sun comes out properly we have the hard work and adorable voices of the Heber children to warm our hearts.



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## Cushions Wanted!

Parents of Heber children, we need your help! We need cushions to stuff inside a drum kit to deaden the sound. We won't turn any away even if they don't match our curtains. If you have any going spare please hand them to the office, or to Mr Treen or Mr Picarelli.

Thanks in advance for your help,

The Music Team



## March

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Rising community event – Year 4
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Toy Museum – open for parent/carer museum tours
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	P&F Cake Sale
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY OF TERM – School finishes at 2:00pm

## April

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	International Week
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Author visit: Jamia Wilson Years 5 and 6
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	International Evening
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	P&F Bounce Challenge
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> (3:00pm)	Reception P Class Assembly
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> & Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery visiting the wildlife centre

## Class Assemblies

25th April – RP

2nd May – 2L

9th May – 4D

16th May – 5S

23rd May – 3P

13th June – 3L

20th June – 2B

27th June – RE

4th July – 1H

11th July – 5K