



Newsletter

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This Week in the Art Room

The second week of 'Animal Markings' saw us change from land creatures to creatures of the deep. We attempted to design fish in a whole new way from the pretty to the bizarre. For example, we had a Business Man Fish, a Uni Fish with horn, a Party Fish and a fish called Geoffrey.

Now that the Art Room has investigated land and sea, we will next soar up to the skies. Not the realm of the biological (such as birds), but the technological: Rockets. We decided a fish had elemental shapes that helped us to design a thrusting rocket bird. We plan to use shaving foam ... watch this space. Artwork below: **Claudia 1H, Lowell 2L and Louise**



Heber Fun Run – 25th May

It's time to find those running shoes. The School and the P&F have teamed up with KFH to organise the 2018 Heber Fun Run on Friday 25th May. Last year the children raised an amazing £4,600 for our school which was spent on the climbing frame in the foundation stage playground. This year, the P&F are fundraising to install an Activity Trail in the Lordship Lane playground for the Key Stage 1 and 2 children.

Back by popular demand are the Heber Fun Run t-shirts. Available in adult and child sizes, they are only £3 each. They are not compulsory to buy but we hope that many children will choose to run in one. They are also very popular for PE and sports days. All proceeds from the sale of t-shirts goes directly to fundraising for the Activity Trail. They can be ordered at the school office. But be quick. The deadline is Wednesday 2nd May. Go Team Heber.

Mr Stevens' Hike for Macmillan – Jurassic Coast Mighty Hike

On Saturday June 30th, Mr Stevens will be hiking 22 miles along the Jurassic Coastline for MacMillan Cancer Support. This is one of their most challenging hikes with a lot of ups and downs for him to navigate! Mr Stevens has known many people throughout his life who have been affected by cancer (including his Grandfather), however this is the first time he has decided to try and raise money for a charity organisation to help support people with cancer. What's changed? Well this year he has been fortunate enough to teach a class where a number of the children are budding philanthropists and are particularly passionate about helping people with cancer. They have inspired him to get out of his comfort zone and to raise money himself. If you would like to support Mr Stevens and donate to this is fantastic cause, please follow the link to his Just Giving Page

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/dominicstevens>



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Weekly Music Awards

KS1: Max Lewandowski from 2B is our Key Stage 1 music award winner this week. He led the class in our gospel choir singing practice so well, and performed the sign language that went with his group accurately. His timing and pitch were also excellent, leading the team by example. In addition to this, he was focussed, positive and answered questions all lesson (as he always does).

Lower Key Stage 2: Our Lower Key Stage 2 music award winner for this week is Elif in 3P. She is helpful, diligent, inclusive, resilient and eager. She is displaying her learning in different ways and is always keen to learn more. Her attitude often earns her the music award this week.

Upper Key Stage 2: Jelani in 6D has earned the Upper Key Stage 2 music award this week. He clearly identified errors for us to debug in our music programming lesson, combining strong skills in music with strong skills in computing. He shows great potential in this area, and we could be looking at a young Calvin Harris of the future. Keep it up, Jelani.

A Message from the Music Team

The History of Music lessons have been a real success so far this term. We've learned key facts about the Baroque period, played songs from this time frame, and learned to play important Baroque instruments as well.

Our assemblies have been enhanced with children performing on instruments as well as dances, and our singing has rarely been at a higher level. We've learned new clapping games and variations on these and created our own songs about our picnics in the park. We've even programmed our own songs on the computer. What more could we possibly add next week?!

Stars of the Week

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

Reception – Kaspar and Hadia

Year 1 – Rosa and Melania

Year 2 – Alexa and Raeha

Year 3 – Elif and Clara

Year 4 – Oren and Selena

Year 5 – Jayden and Johnnie

Year 6 – Sylvie and Polly

Year 5 Girls Fundraiser

We are always incredibly proud when our children demonstrate the Heber values particularly outside of the school environment; it shows us how deeply they are embedded. When we were approached by a group of girls in Year 5 asking if they could do something in school to raise money for cancer research, how could we refuse? The girls worked together to create a 'British Tea' themed stall for International Evening and made a wide range of delicious cakes and scones to sell. The stall was decorated and run by the girls and was a huge success. The stall raised a whopping £104.

We would like to say a huge well done to Harriet and Rose who had the idea and to Pearl, Ava, Neve, Tilly and Pia who helped them to organise the event.

Reminder for Dog Owners

As summer approaches and the better weather creeps in (and out) we are seeing lots more children walking to school accompanied by their furry friends. Please remember that some children can be a little afraid of dogs. We ask that you try to stand back from the main entrances keeping your dogs on a short lead to enable the children to walk into school without having to get too close. Please also remember that dogs are not allowed to enter the school building.



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Years 4, 5 & 6 Cross Country – By Mr Neve-Dunn

The annual cross country meeting on the immense grassy savannah behind Dulwich Hamlet School is always a challenge, but one that we were prepared to take. The opponents were fierce – Dulwich Hamlet, Dulwich Prep, James Alleyns Girls, Alleyn's Junior School, Rosemead Prep and Sydenham High.

Mr Neve-Dunn was blown away by the enthusiasm of our children and ended taking nearly 50 children from Year 4, 5 and 6. The runners from Heber were bouncing with nervous excitement as hundreds of runners gathered for the races. The course was very long; 3 laps of the Serengeti National Park.

It was wonderful to see how well all the children supported every runner. The Heber school spirit was very much on display, as were our cheerleading pom poms and impromptu dance routines. Our team was winning in the 'having fun' competition.

On the grass track we also had some great success. Sylvie coming 7th in her race (our best Year 6 result ever). In the Year 5 race Thomas, Johnie and Justin formed a team and helped each other round, coming in a very respectable 15th, 16th and 17th. The biggest success was in the Year 4 boys race Ethan and Archy got amazing 1st and 2nd places! An unheard of performance that confused the race officials who tried to send them round for an extra lap thinking they had not finished!

It is clear that the Heber children like a challenge and are very ready to support each other. At times it was like the finish of the London Marathon with children raising their arms, linking hands and hugging each other. Indeed, it was wonderful to see Conrad going back in his race to help a team mate who was having a tough time. Long distance running can be rather emotional, and there were a few tears.

Well done to every runner – you all ran with great determination and courage.

Y4 - Rueben, William, Felix, Ethan, Conrad, Heli, Scarlett, Beth, Nicole, Edie, Chisom, Archy, Spencer, Roman, Alfie, Eva, Daisy, Alisha, Freya

Y5 – Harry, Sam, Arif, Louis, Solenique, Ella, Ziki, Isabel, Johnie, Thomas, Justin, Darcy, Pearl, Rebecca, Lucille, Harriet

Y6 – Finn, Lucas, Annabel, Dougal, Dylan, Hamish, Harry, Sylvie, Julia, Sophia, Josephine, Imogen, Fiona, Isabel

International Week 2018

The sun was shining, the birds were singing, leaves began to grow on our new line of trees; the perfect conditions for a wonderful International Week.

We are so lucky at Heber to have such a diverse school community especially when everyone is so keen to share a bit of their culture with us. Thank you to everyone who came organised, shared, ate and danced at our International Evening. It was such a lovely event, celebrating our local community.

Wondering what we got up to? Take a look at the highlights of our week in this newsletter. Don't forget to follow us on Twitter where you can watch a short video of the event.



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3P

3P were fascinated with all the wonders of India during International Week. We found out many interesting facts about India and tasted some dips with naan bread and poppadom. We learned to greet and say thank you in Hindi and learned about some important symbols and their meanings in Hinduism. Inspired by the stunning sights of India, we created artwork of different buildings and designed our own Mehndi patterns.

"I would like to visit India to explore a new place." – Raia

2B

During International Week, 2B learnt about Kenya. The children used an atlas to locate Africa and Kenya on the world map. We were delighted to have Ariana's mum come into class to talk to the pupils about life in Kenya. In computing, they researched African animals and created their own animal fact file. In art, the children created African jewellery and painted an African inspired sunset scene.



Nursery

Nursery had a fantastic International Week learning all about Nigeria. Ameen's mum came in to talk to us about Nigeria, show us Nigerian national dress and we also got to take home some Jollof rice that she made us!

2L

2L had a wonderful time learning about Spain. We discussed the geography, culture and food in Spain, danced some flamenco and designed Spanish fans! We are really lucky because Miss Valentine spent her childhood in Spain so we interviewed her about going to school in Spain and what how children spend their time.



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4D

In 4D, we learnt about two countries - Bulgaria and Tanzania. We listened to Bulgarian folk music on a record player! We did some research and shared them in class. Miss Darrell taught us about Tanzania and the Masaai. We dressed up as Masaai warriors and practised our jump dance, it's not as easy as it seems! We learnt some words in Swahili too.

4P

4P learnt about Brazil for International Week. We started by locating it in the world and looking at its position on the map. After that we looked at the daily routines of a 10-year-old boy called Ronaldo. We were very impressed (and a bit jealous) to find out that in Brazil they finish school at 11am! Using what we had learnt we wrote postcards home based on an imaginary trip to Brazil. Finally, we looked at the Brazilian flag and recreated our own!

Reception

During International Week the reception classes have learned lots about Germany! The children had so much fun immersing themselves in German culture and traditions. We looked at the work of Paul Klee who is an abstract artist and the children created their own shape inspired art work. We learnt simple German greetings, how to count to 10, listened to German nursery rhymes, learnt traditional dancing and to round off the week we made delicious lebkuchen biscuits. We want to say a special thank you to the parents that helped out during the week. The children loved learning the 'Where is the coconut?' song in German and having a go at some German dancing with Ilias's mum. Was für eine tolle Woche!

5K

In 5K we started a French themed morning with a breakfast of croissants and pains au choco-lat. We practised some language skills before tucking in. We then explored the language, food and some popular places to visit. Using this information, we created a collage of all things French.

We then had 3 fantastic presentations from children who wanted to talk about the countries their families come from. We learned about the language and culture of Bulgaria, Kenya and Jamaica through Emma, Ziki and Harriet. This afternoon we went back to our theme country of France.





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1H

1H have been learning all about Italy and we are lucky enough to have adult helper who is from Italy. Mr Piccarelli taught us all about his home country and some general Italian greetings and phrases. We were saying "Ciao" and "Bonjourno" during the register all week. Finally, we made posters to show everything we have learned about Italy.

6F

6F learned about Poland for International week. Antoni (who is Polish) created a presentation about Poland and shared it with his. We found out about how Christmas and Easter is celebrated. We also watched a video on Poland that showed us what a beautiful country it is and decided that we would all like to visit it one day! The class all loved the Polish treats that we supplied too!

Antoni also taught us a few Polish words like Good Morning and Good bye!



5S

In 5S we were lucky enough to have Matilda, who works at Heber as a Midday Meal Supervisor, come into class to teach the children all about Ghana. Matilda taught the children Akan, the language of her tribe. The Akans are the largest tribe in Ghana. We were able to taste a selection of food that Matilda had made for us.

6D

For International week, 6D learnt about Germany. We created a fact file on our chosen country and looked at interesting places we could visit. Mr Clarke also taught us key German Phrases and read us a Grimm Fairytale in German.

Es war sehr gut!

3L

3L learnt all about Russia. We created our own fact files containing information such as Russia's cities and landmarks, including the mountains and rivers. We discovered that Russia is the biggest country in the world and has many different areas with different weathers. Guided by our very own Russian class mates, we learnt a little Russian We created Russian Doll bunting to use as decorations for International Evening and also created our own folding Russian Dolls.





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May

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Wednesday 2 nd (3:00pm)	2L - Class Assembly
Wednesday 9 th (3:00pm)	4D - Class Assembly
Monday 14 th – Thursday 17 th	Year 6 SATs week
Wednesday 16 th (3:00pm)	5S - Class Assembly
Monday 21 st	Year 5 coastline visit - Broadstairs
Tuesday 22 nd	Heber Bake Off
Wednesday 23 rd (3:00pm)	3P - Class Assembly
Thursday 24 th	Reception vision tests
Friday 25 th	Heber Fun Run
Monday 28 th May – Friday 1 st June	HALF TERM

June

Thursday 7 th	Class photos
Saturday 9 th	P&F Heber Car Wash
Wednesday 13 th (3:00pm)	3L - Class Assembly
Saturday 16 th	Heber Picnic and Dog Show
Wednesday 20 th (3:00pm)	2B - Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 th	Years 1-3 Music Concert
Wednesday 27 th (3:00pm)	RE - Class Assembly
Wednesday 27 th (3:45pm)	Welcome meeting for new Nursery parents

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