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Welcome Back!

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Welcome back to the new school year! The children have settled in brilliantly and have been working hard to get to know their new daily routines. A huge well done to our Nursery and Reception children as this is still so new to them.

It has been so lovely for me personally to return to the school after my maternity leave. I have really enjoyed getting reacquainted with the children and meeting the children who are new to the school, or those who joined during my absence. It's very unusual for me to not know the names of all of the children in the school, so I'm working hard to catch up! And of course this means that there are lots of parents that I haven't met yet. I can usually be found on one of the gates at the start and end of the school day, so if you spot me, then please do come and say hello!

Best regards, Miss Rosenberg





Year 2 Immersion Day

'How to earn a place in History'

Someone must have opened up a portal to the past on Thursday morning because running around the school were some of the most influential people in history. We had Kings and Queens, some of history's most incredible singers and most successful sportspeople, some amazingly intelligent scientists and some very courageous activists. Like the dream dinner party, we often imagine having, these fantastic people got to ask and answer each other's questions, and learn how they made the world a better place. After break we became explorers, and we used our map reading skills to find locations around the school. Hidden at each location were clues to help us guess a famous explorer.



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This Week in Music

By Miss Watkins

This week in music, Year 1 learned about different durations of sound and had a go at playing long and short sounding instruments. Year 2 became experts at identifying So and Mi whilst playing a game of 'Swampee'. Year 3 thought about how we could represent animals with different musical sounds and worked together to create a soundscape inspired by Aquarium, from the carnival of the animals. Year 4 learned all about the Pentatonic scale and successfully had a go at playing and singing it. In Year 5 the children played cyclic rhythms on different percussion instruments and Year 6 began writing their own verses to an action song alongside singing some beautiful harmonies.

Every week Miss Watkins chooses music stars from each class to feature in the newsletter. Well done to all the music stars this week!

1C – Tabitha and Beatrice

3N - Clementine and Shaniyah

4S - Teddy and Edie

6F - Gabriel and Annabelle

1V - Marnie and Arielle 2JP Farah

3W - Lennon and Tanya

5G - Bradley and Miley-Grace

6A - Baxter and Swizz

2H – Hattie and Lenny

4LC – Sam and Hannah

5K - Warith and Molly

Sports Update

By Mr. Neve-Dunn

You may remember that in June we were visited by talented Italian athlete Frederick Afrifa. He put the children through some serious bootcamp exercises.

Through your wonderful sponsorship we raised £1000 for PE equipment. This money, together with funding from the P & F, means we are well resourced for sports and can look forward to beating all the local schools (only joking!).

Get Rid of and Donate – Friday 29th September



Get rid of and Donate CIC redistributes unwanted items – preloved good quality clothes, bedding, books, shoes, toys, tech, furniture, music and more—to those in need. Something that you no longer want can still be used by someone else. Refugees, asylum seekers, struggling families, disadvantaged youth, the disabled, the homeless, the elderly and more could all benefit from YOUR donations.

What's more, you'll also help protect the environment as reusing items reduces the amount of waste we send to landfill.

We offer a Covid-secure, free collection service for your unwanted goods so donating couldn't be easier. For more information on the company, please visit www.getridofit-donate.com

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Upcoming Parent Workshops

At Heber, we offer a broad range of workshops for parents that aim to support parents to engage with their child's learning. All workshops are published on our website and materials from the sessions are shared on the 'Parent Workshop' page after the session has taken place.

Workshop Phonics for Reception and KS1 - Wednesday 27th September at 9.15am.

The sessions will cover:

- What are the key things my child needs to know in relation to their phonics learning this year?
- How can I support my child's phonics and reading development at home?
- How is phonics taught in school? What resources and schemes are used?

Early Years - Wednesday 4th October at 9.15am

We will aim to answer the following questions:

- What are the key things my child needs to know in the Early Years?
- How can I support my child's Maths learning at home?
- How is Maths taught these days? It seems so different from when I was at school!

This Week in Art

By Mrs Coulson

It has been wonderful to meet all the lovely children from Heber in their art classes this week. We spent our first lesson getting to know one another and exploring 'What Art Means' to us, using freedom and expression to document this in our sketch books.









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Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week for demonstrating our school values this week:

1C	Sofia	1V	Hannah
2H	Kadri	2JP	Cameron
3N	Seb	3W	Antwone
4LC	Keitty and Evelyn	4S	Florence
5G	Olesja	5K	Duke
6A	Ashley	6F	Freya

Academic Excellence Awards

This week in our Merit Assembly we celebrated the successes of a child from each class, who excelled in their learning and produced some outstanding work. Well done to the following children:

1C	Elodie	1V	Felix
2H	Freddy	2JP	Ettie
3N	Oscar	3W	Cora
4LC	Reuben	4S	Malaya
5G	Bradley	5K	Georgia
6A	Baxter	6F	Liam

Diary Dates

All diary dates can be found on our school website.

September		
Monday 18 th (4pm)	Years 1&2 Curriculum Meeting (Online)	
Tuesday 19 th (4pm)	Years 5&6 Curriculum Meeting (Online)	
	Year 3 Immersion Day – Stone Age to Iron Age	
	Year 4 Immersion Day – Ancient Egyptians	
Wednesday 20 th (4pm)	Years 3&4 Curriculum Meeting (Online)	
Thursday 21st (3:30pm in 6F)	Secondary school transition meeting for Year 6	
Friday 22 nd	Year 6 Immersion Day – The Maya	
Monday 25 th	4S Science workshops begin at Alleyns (4 weeks)	
Wednesday 27 th (9:15am in the school hall)	Monster Phonics parent workshop for Reception, Years 1& 2	
Friday 29th (3:30pm outside Crystal Palace Playground)	Get Rid of and Donate collection	

October		
Wednesday 4 th (9:15am in the school hall)	Maths in the Early Years parent workshop	
Tuesday 17 th	Parents' Evening	
Thursday 19 th	Parents' Evening	
Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd	INSET Day	
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th	Half Term Holiday	
Monday 30 th	4LC Science workshops begin at Alleyns (4 weeks)	
Tuesday 31st	4LC visit to the Horniman Museum	