



# Newsletter

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## This week in the Art room...

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Year 2 made some wonderful collage and mixed media lions this week.

Year 3 worked hard trying out oil pastel mono prints of some jungle animals.

Year 6 have nearly completed their own product design posters.

If 1C could still please bring in a small cardboard box (no bigger than a cereal box) for next Thursday that would be great. Year 1 parents may come in for an informal open classroom 3.45-4.15pm Thursday 17th July to see their children's work and sketchbooks.



## Chess Club

Today was the GRAND FINAL of the Heber Chess Club summer 2025 tournament. All members of the class have been great sports and have competed with enthusiasm and good grace.

Before the result is announced...we bid farewell to the year 6 guys: Alex, Arthur, Jack, Sam. Best of luck for the future! And a special mention goes to rising star Cataleya (year 3) who slashed and burned her way through the tournament, narrowly missing out on a place in the semi-final.

The final was battled out this morning by Jack (6F) and Julian (5B). It was a long and brutal game, with Jack emerging victorious as the winner – huge congratulations Jack!





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## Fun Netball Tournament Brings the Heber Spirit to Life!

Last Monday, the netball courts at Alleyns school were bursting with energy, laughter, and some surprisingly slick passing as we held our much-loved Annual Heber Netball Tournament. This special event saw pupils, teachers, parents and even some of our wonderful ex-pupils (the Alumni Team!) facing off in friendly but fiercely enthusiastic matches.

With teams rotating throughout, there was no shortage of brilliant moments, sporting flair, and plenty of sideline cheering. A huge thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day so memorable — especially our dedicated referees, Shobi, Clare D and Leah, who kept the games flowing and the smiles coming. Also, Coach Kate for keeping track of the scores, keeping everything going and stopping parents and teachers fighting.

### Player Highlights

#### Year 4

Our youngest team had the least experience but the most enthusiasm — and it showed! The whole year group impressed with their determination and energy. Special mentions go to:

- **Theo**, for his fantastic effort and relentless positivity;
- **Aadam**, who kept the momentum going with smart attacking play;
- **Cora and Ava**, both showing sharp instincts and a fearless 'go to the ball' attitude.

#### Year 5

- **Isla** dazzled with her agility, constantly finding space and outpacing defenders;
- **Edie** was a standout attacker with some brilliant manoeuvres and well-timed goals.

#### Year 6

- **Sisi and Ruby** were a dynamic duo, shining in both attack and defence with consistent, smart play throughout.

### Alumni Team

It was a joy to see our former pupils back on court, playing with skill, flair, and true Heber spirit. They gave the grown-ups a proper run for their money!

### Parents Team

Our amazing parents showed up, ran hard, and gave it everything — thank you!

- **Anna Hook** was lightning-quick and covered every corner of the court;
- **Laura Nelson** impressed with her textbook pivots;
- **James Morris** gave mid-match mentoring while playing — a true multitasker!
- **Rob** (dad to Cora and Ava) bravely joined the teacher team, learning on the go and fitting in brilliantly.

### Teachers Team

Desperate to recover the respect they lost last year.

- **Miss Branch** had her pupils starstruck as they played against her;
- **Mr Hillit** brought the comedy — and some unexpected bear crawls — to the court;
- And a special "Netball Legend" salute to **Mr Elliot**, not only a superb player but also a fantastic organiser and role model for all our budding netball stars.

We can't wait for next year already — but until then, a huge well done to all involved, and thank you for bringing such great energy to our annual Heber netball tradition!





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## Book Corner Gift List and Summer Reading Challenge

A huge thank you to all the families who have bought books from our gift list. The children will be absolutely thrilled to receive new books in September and we really appreciate your continued support.

The Summer Reading Challenge is now open and it's a great way to help children keep up with their reading over the summer.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

### Take on the Challenge!

- Go to your library this summer to sign up and get your **Story Garden sticker booklet...**
- Read **ANYTHING** you like
- Collect **stickers** from your library and add them to the magical garden as you read more
- Rewards** for meeting your goal!







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## Nursery Picnic in the Park

On Wednesday, the Nursery classes all took a trip to Dulwich Park to end their year in Nursery. It was so lovely to see how much the children have grown and developed such lovely friendships with each other. We played in the playground, enjoyed some games and had a little practice for sports day. They even tackled the long walk there and back in quite hot circumstances. They are more than ready to tackle Reception. Thank you to all of the parent volunteers who helped us make the trip possible.



## Peckham Allstars Netball Tournament

Well done to Heber for coming 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Peckham Allstars Netball Tournament on Thursday!



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## Enrichment Clubs Update

Summer Term Enrichment Clubs have almost all finished, with the exception of KS1 Art Club and KS2 Coding Club, which will finish on Monday.

It's fantastic to see how popular Enrichment Clubs are at Heber, however the level of demand can lead to disappointment for many families. We understand this can be frustrating but unfortunately, we are already running at capacity with the space we have at that time of day. Alongside our enrichment clubs, which currently accommodate an average of 70 children a day, Magna will also be accommodating up to 120 children a day in various spaces across the school. The decision to increase the numbers in Magna was in response to the high demand for wraparound care, which we hope is now benefiting many of our families. In addition, our teachers and staff are also working in classrooms and other areas across the school until at least 5pm.

We ask our external providers to open their bookings on a particular day, however we are unable to ask them to open at a specific time, so the timings will vary. They operate a variety of different booking systems and many of them manually manage the bookings. If there is a particular club your child is after, we suggest you contact the provider in advance to ask when they will be opening their bookings.

Given this level of demand at Heber, we ask that you do not use Enrichment Clubs as a form of childcare, as you may not be able to secure a club on the day you require. In addition, we kindly ask that you only book two clubs per child to allow other children the opportunity to access the provision. This is not something we can enforce, but we would be grateful if you could consider this when making your bookings.

Thank you for your support.

### July

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	5K Science Museum trip
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Open Afternoon (3.45-4.45pm) Nursery, Reception, Year 5, Year 6 and Year 3
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 trip to The Royal Academy Open Afternoon (3.45-4.45pm) Year 2, and Year 4 and Year 1
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	P&F Bake sale Year 1 Art open afternoon 3.45-4.15pm – Art Room
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (9.30am) Last day of the school year – finish at 2pm