



Newsletter

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This week in the Art Room...

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Year 4 had a fabulous time visiting the National Portrait Gallery on Wednesday to provide inspiration for their Portraits topic. They were thoroughly engrossed in the vast array of paintings that were on display there.

Year 1 did some lovely landscape paintings using the different mark making techniques they have learnt this term.

Year 2 continued their Art Heros topic, this week looking at Amy Sherald and creating a self portrait inspired by her work.

Year 3 enjoyed painting the clay artefacts they had made based on their Stone Age topic.

Deadline for the Christmas card competition is next Friday 28 November!





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Y5 and 6 Netball at Alleyn's

On Monday this week, we took three teams of intrepid netballers to Alleyn's for fixtures against the local private school. Several of our children were well prepared with gloves and winter wear given the recent change in weather conditions, and it served us well on the courts! Coach Kate and 2 members of Alleyn's PE team coached and umpired the games, in which two of our teams were defeated, but the third successful coming away with a victory! Special mentions for Isla and Elodie, who were picked out by the away team coaches as having made significant contributions to their team's efforts. Well done everyone who took part!



Stars of the Week

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

RC:	Soraya	RH:	Willow
1JP:	Noah M	1V:	Kyan
2C:	Donovan	2P:	Collette
3R:	Isla-Rose	3W:	Sophia
4DL:	Rafe	4S:	Mania
5B:	Lili	5S:	Seb
6A:	Reuben	6K:	Keira

Academic Excellence:

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:

RC:	Jacqueline	RH:	Niamh
1JP:	Ada	1V:	Max
2C:	Luca	2P:	Rory
3R:	Jago	3W:	Marnie
4DL:	Theo & Cameron	4S:	Sienna
5B:	Arthur	5S:	Luca
6A:	Ian	6K:	Matilda



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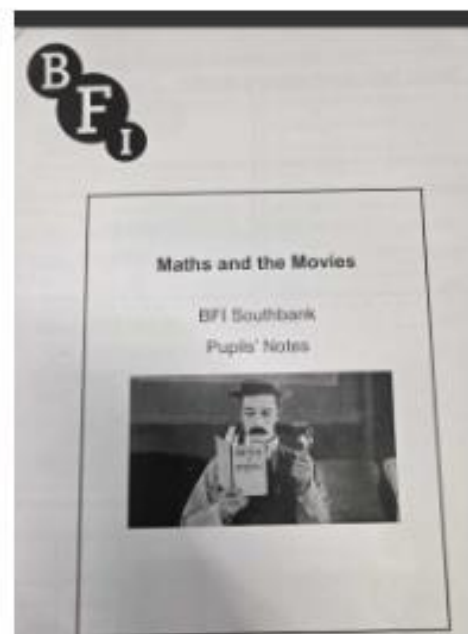
Inkheads Creative Writing Workshop - Y5/6 Boys

On Tuesday, the boys in Years 5 and 6 took part in an immersive workshop, led by our friends at Inkhead, that had them solving the mysterious case of who had stolen Ms Kyprios' prized possession... her solid gold pen! The suspects were: Mr Adams, Mr Piddington, Mr Neve-Dunn, Mrs Coulson, Mrs Kyprios and Mrs Jefford. The children became code crackers, listened to witness statements, analysed clues and came to their own conclusion of who they think stole the pen. After they had compiled their evidence, they wrote a confession letter as the teacher they believed was the culprit. It was then revealed that the guilty teacher was.. Mrs Kyprios herself! She had framed the other teachers! We then made wanted posters to stick up round the school. The reward for her capture is 1500 house points, so make sure you keep your eyes peeled.



BFI Maths Trip - Y5/6 Girls

On Tuesday the girls in years 5 and 6 went to the BFI, Southbank to take part in a "Maths and the Movies" event. They had to put their mathematical skills to the test to try and rescue Nemo who was trapped in the silent movie era. The girls had to solve various mathematical problems and puzzles based on snippets of movies from Harry Potter and Spiderman through to The Minions. Although it was a challenge, we rescued Nemo in the end and had a lot of fun doing so.





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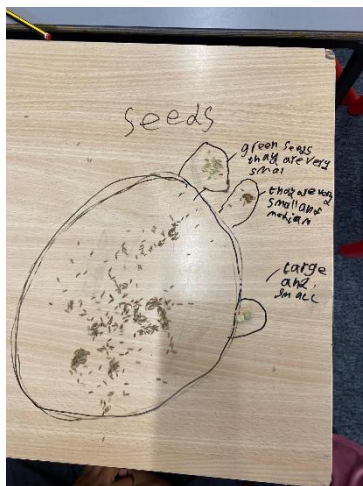
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Year 2 Science classifying and grouping seeds and bulbs

Year 2 had a selection of seeds and bulbs to classify using observation skills with a magnifying glass. They were taught the key features of each, and through careful observation, were able to group seeds together and bulbs together. They did this by which ones had the papery tunic covering (bulbs), and which had tough outer shells (seeds). They learnt about germination occurring when a seed has enough water, and how bulbs allow a plant to grow back every year.



Congratulations Miss Hastings!

I am so pleased to share that Miss Hastings has finally welcomed her new arrival! She would love to introduce Éala Joy Ashall (pronounced ay-la) to the Heber community. Both Miss Hastings and Éala are healthy and recovering well! Mrs Carter is still waiting for her new arrival to make an appearance!



Blue Fabric Request!

Years 3 & 4 need help with their props for their Christmas production. They're looking for blue fabric of any size, but as long as possible, to represent the sea. If you have anything that might help, please bring it to the school office or speak with your class teacher. Thank you! Mrs Darby



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Primary Maths Challenge 2025-26

Every year, 20 children from Heber participate in The Primary Mathematics Challenge (PMC), created by The Mathematical Association. This is an engaging mathematics competition designed to inspire young learners. More than just another test, the PMC builds enthusiasm, boosts confidence, and presents problems in fresh, thought-provoking ways. By emphasising problem solving, it helps pupils develop their reasoning skills. The children loved the opportunity to participate; I wonder how our parent community would have fared... Below are just 2 of the 25 questions our children faced this week... answers on a postcard!



The 11C bus in Birmingham travels on a 27 miles circular route clockwise, and takes 3 hours.
Buses come every 15 minutes.
How many drivers are needed for this clockwise service at any one time?



A 8

B 10

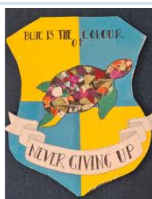
C 12

D 15

E 20

Matt Brinks has three gold bars, each 6 cm x 4 cm x 3 cm.
He melts them down to make one cube.
What is the length of the edges of this cube in cm?



House Points	Rigal	Mycroft	Valdez	Ndume
				
This Week	522	520	518	518
Total	4355	4344	4553	4552



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Update from the P&F

The first Parents' and Carers' social of the year — the Heber Pub Night and Quiz — was a brilliant evening, and we're delighted to share that it raised over £1,200! A huge thank you to everyone who helped on the bar and with hosting.

Our next event is the Wreath-Making Workshop on 2 December at 7.30pm. Tickets are on sale now at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/heberpandf>. Tickets for the Grotto at the Winter Fair are also available at the same place!

Our annual Winter Fair on 6 December is fast approaching. This is a big community effort, and class job assignments have now been shared by class reps — please don't forget to sign up to help. We are also seeking donations of:

- Jolly Jam Jars
- Second-hand toys and books
- Christmas jumpers
- Bakes and cakes

The office will be accepting donations from Monday 1 December, and bake-sale donations on Friday 5 December. Please do not drop off items before these dates.

Finally, we are now actively seeking a new Treasurer. If you are interested in taking on this role, please do get in touch!

P.S. Who are the Parents and Friends and how can you get involved?

The P&F Committee comprises the three of us below, but also includes an army of volunteers who help make our events a success.

Holly Hurst

Chair (Yr 1 and 5 Mum!)

Sarah Goldsworthy

Secretary & general events (Yr 2 & 4 Mum!)

Joe Fraser

Communications & general events (Yr2 Dad!)





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November

Monday 24 th	Flu Vaccines
Tuesday 25 th	6A Junior Citizenship trip 5S Trip to the BFI
Thursday 27 th	Year 6 Girls Cricket
Friday 28 th	Year 6 Netball – Alleyn's Get Rid of and Donate Collection

December

Monday 1 st	3W Trip to Natural History Museum Year 4 Science Enrichment at Alleyn's
Tuesday 2 nd	6K Junior Citizenship Trip P&F Wreath Making Workshop
Thursday 4 th	Year 5 Girls Cricket
Friday 5 th	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance (9.30am and 2.30pm)
Saturday 6 th	Winter Fair
Tuesday 9 th	3R Trip to Natural History Museum Year 1 and 2 watching the Big Foot Christmas Show performance
Wednesday 10 th	Nursery Christmas Concert (2.45pm)
Thursday 11 th	Reception Christmas Performance (9.30am)
Friday 12 th	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (9.30am and 2.30pm)
Monday 15 th	2C Trip to Black Cultural Archives
Tuesday 16 th	2P Trip to Black Cultural Archives
Thursday 18 th	Christmas Dinner and Christmas attire Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert (2.30pm) Nursery & Reception watching the Christmas show 'The Clumsiest Elf'
Friday 19 th	Break up for the Christmas holidays - 2pm finish

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CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

Calling Heber Families! Can you help spread a little Christmas cheer this year? We would love our families to make up a gift box/bag for an elderly person in Southwark, who is at risk of loneliness and isolation this Christmas.

HOW TO HELP

1. Line a gift box with Christmas wrapping paper or find a gift bag.
2. Fill it with Christmas goodies like a nice jam, biscuits, gloves, warm scarf, some chocolates or a pair of socks. Do not wrap the gifts.
3. Bring the box to school by Wednesday 10th December.
4. Do not seal the bags/boxes. A volunteer will need to check the gifts so they go to the perfect person.

 **Link Age Southwark**
Communities supporting older people