



Newsletter

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This Week in the Art Room

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This week is a very exciting week where we are submitting our final displays of the Coral Reef (Year 4) and Hydrathermal Vents (Year 3). The Global Canvas competition will be hosted at the Natural History Museum, and I hope that you will agree, we have a very strong chance of being shortlisted for our 'Habitat of the World' entries. I am so proud of these incredible mixed media works (regardless of the competition outcome) which present the rich imagination, energy, passion and skill the children have here at Heber. Thank you to all of the material contributions, as well as Mr. Rosko, Ms. June and Mr. Clarke for their incredible support in lesson time. GO TEAM HEBER!



Shakespeare's Globe

Half Term Holiday Ideas

This year we embarked upon a two yearlong storytelling project with Shakespeare's Globe. Lots of parents have expressed an interest in extra Shakespeare related enrichment opportunities and so our link coordinator at the Globe has kindly sent some half term suggestions our way:

National Theatre Winter's Tale

The Justin Audibert production of the Winter's Tale at the National Theatre will be running from this February. The theatre recommends children 8+ but it could be suitable for our Year 1 children as they have prior knowledge of the play from this project. Perhaps call in advance to check suitability.

Shakespeare's Globe family events

This February half term Shakespeare's Globe will be running family tours of the theatre aimed at children aged 7+ but younger children are welcome. They are also running storytelling and workshops on Henry V aimed at children aged 5+.

There are lots more education and literature focused events for children on during half term, for more information please visit their website:

<http://www.shakespearesglobe.com/whats-on/s/half-term-family-events>.

The Eco Committee Meeting Report

It's official: The Eco Committee is Going to save the planet.

On Monday Camila (Mr Neve-Dunn's daughter) and Christina came to speak to the Eco Committee. Both are students of Zoology at the Royal Agricultural University and have a special interest in marine biology.

They talked to the children about the importance of recycling and the damaging effects of plastics on the oceans of the world. A powerful presentation had the students enthralled.

It was agreed that the Eco Committee would take on the role of saving all the coral reefs and the oceans on the planet. It is a big job but they felt someone ought to do it, and let's be honest the adults around them do not seem to be doing much.

Looking ahead the children want to visit Horniman Museum to see the recent on coral reefs that is happening there. It is one of the world's leading recent establishment in coral reef protection. The committee also resolved to have a plastics day where unrecyclable plastic will be collected and made into eco-bricks:

<https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ecobricks>.

A great meeting and it was wonderful to see the next generation ready to take on task of cleaning up our mess.

Well done Eco – Committee!



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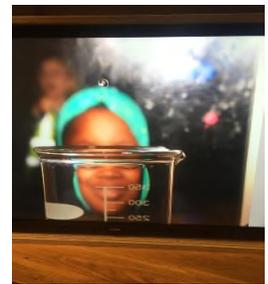
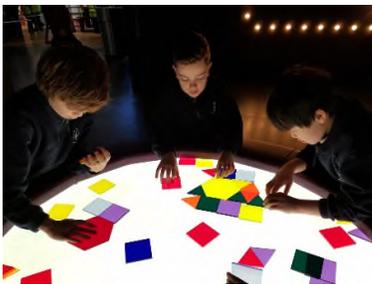
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Our Trip to the Science Museum

By Aston

On Friday 18th January, 5S went on a spectacular trip to the Science Museum to learn more about Space. First we went to the Wonderlab, where we got to be hands on with Science! For example, we experimented with a water canon by varying the degrees of its trajectory to see how high or how low we could shoot the water. I shot so low that I skimmed the water with the spray! Next we went to the Space Gallery where we saw a real life astronaut suit and we saw the food that people eat in Space; you have to drink and eat out of tins and cans with straws so the food doesn't float away due to gravity. Finally, we went to the iMax where we saw a movie about Space in 3D. We learnt how people live on the ISS and we saw incredible footage of Planet Earth and our Solar System.



A Message from the Music Team

A special mention this week to musicians continuing their musical exploits outside of the Heber school walls. It's easy to have a music lesson, assembly and drop-in session at school and then go home and stare at a screen until the next time, but more challenging to go home and try and try and try at your song/scale/piece of music until you achieve your goal. So many children have shown me that they are practicing, singing, composing and dancing at home in their spare time, and so many more are coming to me to borrow music to practice reading and playing on their instruments outside of school. You are real musical heroes.

Weekly Music Awards

The following awards were announced in our weekly Merit Assembly.

KS1: Both Hamid and Anthony from 2B are our Key Stage 1 music stars of the week this week. Miss Bieber came to me and told me that Hamid was practicing singing assembly songs in the playground and then performing them to her in a solo performance. I told her that Anthony had made up his own rap, and we noticed both of them were teaching different partners our clap pattern and practicing songs in their spare time. Well done boys, qué excelente esfuerzo.

Lower Key Stage 2: Felicie from 4LJ is our Lower Key Stage 2 music star of the week. Miss Bieber has mentioned her name several times due to her fantastic input in singing assembly, and in class this week she lapped up musical challenges with willingness. She is talented, she is positive and she has real musical skill. Tendrás éxito, Felicie.

Upper Key Stage 2: Every week it would be easy to choose Solonique and Amira from 6K to be the Upper Key Stage 2 music award winners as they are such dedicated talents. This week, through Young Voices singing practices, rhythmic dictation exercises and music programming activities, it has been a joy to see and hear them engage.



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Nimble Arts Holiday Clubs

Nimble Arts are running a programme of holiday clubs at Goodrich School, just a short distance from Heber. These clubs are all open for booking. They are open from 8.00am - 6.30pm on all holiday days (except Bank Holidays, Christmas holidays and the last week of the Summer holidays) and have a packed timetable with a new theme every day that you can access here:

<http://www.nimblearts.co.uk/holiday-courses/>

Nimble Arts offer sibling and full-week discounts and would like to offer Heber parents and carers a new year voucher code for £5 off your next booking - just use code HEBER5 at checkout. You'll need a Magic Booking account to book your places and you can find more information at the link above or by emailing info@nimblearts.co.uk.

Class Assemblies

Spring	Summer
23 rd January – 1H	1 st May – 1L
30 th January – 3LP	8 th May – 5C
6 th February – Reception E	15 th May – Reception E
13 th February – 5C	22 nd May – 1H
6 th March – 4E	5 th June – 5S
13 th March – 4D	12 th June – 2B
20 th March – 3LP	19 th June – Reception C
27 th March – Reception C	26 th June – 2L
3 rd April – 3DP	3 rd July – 3DP
	10 th July – 4E

January

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Wednesday 30 th	Year 6 and Reception – height and weight check
Wednesday 30 th (3:00pm)	3LP – Class Assembly
Thursday 31 st	Young Voices Concert at the O2 Arena
Thursday 31 st (9:15am)	Phase 1 Letters and Sounds workshop

February

Friday 1 st	2L – St Paul's Cathedral
Wednesday 6 th (3:00pm)	Reception E – Class Assembly
Wednesday 13 th (3:00pm)	5C – Class Assembly
Monday 18th – Friday 22nd Half term holiday	
Monday 25 th	2B – St Paul's Cathedral
Thursday 28 th	Year 1 – Museum of Childhood