



Newsletter

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Red Nose Day – School Council Fundraiser

We would like to invite all children to come to school dressed in an item of red clothing on Friday 15th March. We will be asking for a voluntary donation of £1, which will go to Comic Relief.

Competition: If you would like to enter the Red Nose Day T-Shirt competition, you will need to give a donation of 50p. Children can collect the entry forms from the office, there will be a prize for the winning T-Shirt. Entries should be handed into Ms Bassett by Friday 15th March for the School Council to judge. Alternatively, children can give their entry form to School Council representative.

From the School Council

Global Canvas Competition 2019 Finals

Out of 17 finalists...WE CAME 3RD!!!! Apologies for my abrupt start but the children and I are so thrilled to have come 3rd place in the Global Canvas Competition 2019, with over 5000 participants, age ranging from 5-16-year-old children! Our Heber Year 3's were up against such incredible international entries, yet we were chosen for "our originality and unique environment" that ranged in the "use of so many recycled materials" and "so imaginatively put together." This was a major team effort to transport and put up the work in the Natural History Museum, thank you to Mr Clarke and Mr Davies who were hugely instrumental to this process.

Miller in 3DP wrote a wonderfully apt poem to sum up the significance of our chosen habitat, which he read out so beautifully to the whole auditorium as our acceptance speech, before our entry film was shown.

Once there was a black smoker
All alone he had no friends
He was sad
As sad as can be
But then one day a germ appeared
And that was the beginning of life.

By Miller, 3DP.

The children won a trophy, a whole set of beautiful animal inspired books, a year sponsorship of a black rhino with a Rhino toy mascot as well as £50 voucher for art materials. I have so much more to say (like the incredible ownership the children took in putting up their work and how they all keenly spoke with such passion about their work to the other competitors) but I will leave this to the children and Mr Clarke to contribute their experiences of this special day in next week's newsletter.





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World Book Day Costume winners!

What a successful World Book Day we had at Heber this year. With our increased focus on widening the children's vocabulary in lessons, the 'Word' costumes definitely highlighted this! All of the costumes showed such creativity and imagination with the vast majority being put together by ordinary items from home. Huge congratulations to the children who were chosen as the winners from each class:

Nursery – Zoja: There

Reception – Jack B: Hot (Rec E) and Amelie: Brave (Rec C)

Year 1 – Kaspar: Silly (1L) and Baxter: Metallic (1H)

Year 2 – Ella: Space (2L) and Ania: Spring (2B)

Year 3 – Ruth: Growing (3LP) and Violet: Spooky (3DP)

Year 4 – Luis: Adventurous (4LJ) and Tilly: Illuminous (4E)

Year 5 – Spencer: Rich (5S) and Charlie: Sleepy (5C)

Year 6 – Neve: Nature (6F) and Ja'nye: Photo (6K)

Weekly Music Awards

The following awards were announced in our weekly Merit Assembly.

Key Stage 1: Damilola from 1H is our Key Stage 1 music award winner this week. She showed incredible, musical creativity in our World Book Day activity based on the book Return, and she was able to name individual instruments she heard in different pieces of music and describe their genre.

Lower Key Stage 2: With such a strong first attempt at a whole class soundscape, our award winners have to come from year four. One group in particular nearly moved us to tears with just how well they understood the expectations and delivered such a strong, creative, musical section, and then even improved it in the second draft! Malachi from 4D, Miami and Stevie from 4E.

Upper Key Stage 2: Miss Bieber and myself both agree that Hope, Harriet and Rose from 6F deserve the Upper Key Stage 2 music award this week. They worked so hard to make their part of the soundscape, and showed exceptional team work and togetherness, supporting each other to succeed.

Stars of the Week

Every Friday staff pick their Stars of the Week from each class. The children can earn this prestigious award for demonstrating one of our core values; Responsibility, Resilience and Thoughtfulness. Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly this week:

Reception – Olesja (Rec E) and Ameen (Rec C)

Year 1 – James (1L) and Ashley (1H)

Year 2 – Lily-Rose (2L) and Kevin (2B)

Year 3 – Zyreece (3LP) and Alfie (3DP)

Year 4 – Suria (4LJ) and Habib (4E)

Year 5 – Connor (5S) and Mia (5C)

Year 6 – Hope (6F) and Joelle (6K)

Steve McQueen Photography - Tate

All of the children in Year 3 were visited by a Tate Photographer this week. 3LP and 3DP were photographed as part of the Tate Year 3 Project conceived by contemporary film maker Steve McQueen. They had a mini workshop alongside having their class photograph where they learned more about the thinking surrounding how and why we capture images. The exhibition containing our class photographs will go on show in the Autumn term at Tate Britain, more details to follow!





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International Women's Day? A Week of Girls' Sports

Heber took part in three girls-only sports events this week. A casual onlooker would have thought that the Heber PE 'department' must have planned this meticulously many months ago. In truth it was just by lucky coincidence.

There was a football tournament at Alleyns against 7 other schools. There was a home netball game against Ivydale and on Friday we had the first ever before school training session for the netball squad!

Alleyns football tournament

Report to follow, when Mr Neve-Dunn has had time to consult many spin doctors and fully absorb the experience.

Netball fixture

The tall Ivydale team came to the school on Thursday and seemed just as excited as our girls. Heber had enough players for three netball teams and this caused a certain amount of confusion as the girls started bargaining for positions: swapping WD for WA, GS for GD and so on. This was all very baffling to a couple of boys who were looking on.

The new netball posts have had an effect. We can now shoot baskets! The competition was fierce and it was pleasing to see many younger Yr5 girls getting well stuck in (not sure if that is the correct term). The final result was a draw 2-2, which is very promising since we played 21 players in the match!

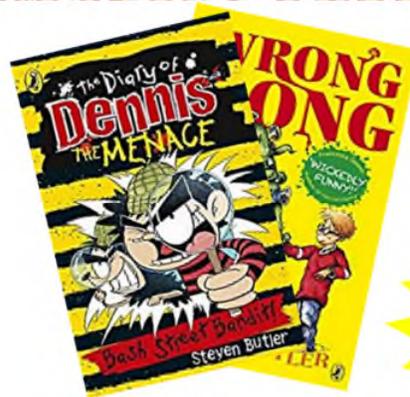
Friday morning 8am

Who would have thought that children would be happy to come to school an hour early to do sports training? Eighteen girls made their way through the early morning mist to see the sunrise on the playground, while listening to all the cockerels, and to have the first ever netball training session. It was wonderful to see how enthusiastic they are and how willing they are to learn. The session is being run by Sam (Ava's mum) and is a brilliant way to start the day. If any parents feel keen to join in, please contact the school office. More the merrier.

A Message from the Music Team

World book week descended upon us like the circus coming through town. Roll up, roll up, for one week only, experience the sights, sounds, colours, excitement, competitions and prizes of this annual event! In the music department we've been waiting with baited breath for this week for a while, like seeing the trapeze artists and acrobats for the first time and counting down the days to see them again. Our younger learners made Japanese Ikazaki-style, musically inspired kites that flew through the air with the greatest of ease. The older musical learners at Heber tamed the lion that is an ensemble soundscape. Whole classes of children made wordless sound collages that thrilled and excited all those who encountered them. We will spend some time next week to complete our challenges before waiting until the next time World Book Week returns to wow us again.

**SIGN UP TO TAKE
PART IN AN
AMAZING FREE EVENT!**



Author, Steven Butler, is coming to Dulwich Library!

Monday 11th and Monday 18th March 4-5pm

**Come along and be part of an interactive event and
make an audio book recording with Steven Butler!**



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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 – 4LJ	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

March

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Tuesday 12 th – Thursday 14 th	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 13 th	4LJ – Class Assembly
Friday 15 th	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20 th	3LP – Class Assembly
Friday 22 nd	P&F Bingo Night for parents
Wednesday 27 th	Reception C – Class Assembly
Friday 29 th	WWF Earth Hour – Eco Committee

April

Wednesday 3 rd	3DP – Class Assembly
Wednesday 3 rd	P&F Easter Cake Sale
Wednesday 3 rd – Thursday 4 th	Year 1 Toy Museum – exhibition open for parent viewings
Friday 5 th	Last day of term – School closes at 2pm
EASTER HOLIDAY 6th – 23rd	
Tuesday 23 rd	First day of Summer Term
Friday 26 th	International Evening