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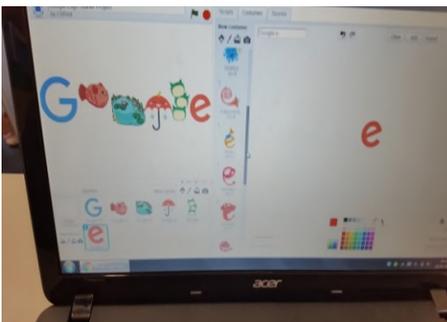
Heber Tech Fest – Ms Darrell (Computing Coordinator)

The 27th of June marked the start of a new era of Computing teaching at Heber: we launched our very first Tech Fest celebration and it went off with a bang. We began with an assembly, which informed the children about all the exciting activities that their teachers had planned for them. Our theme this year was Computational Thinking.

Computational thinking allows us to take a complex problem, understand what the problem is and develop possible solutions. We can then present these solutions in a way that a computer, a human, or both, can understand. Computational Thinking is something we do on a daily basis, sometimes without realising it! The children took part in plugged (with technology) and unplugged (without technology) sessions over the two days.



Children in Year 2 worked on plugged and unplugged tasks, involving concepts like abstraction, logic and decomposition. They had to solve some tricky problems using Computational Thinking.



Children in Year 6 created Google Doodles using Scratch. Years 4, 5 & 6 also had a visit from Gary Rush (father of Lena, Emme and Raia) along with his colleague Sehreen Qureshi, who both work at NATWEST Markets. They explained how they use Computational Thinking in their Foreign Exchange Technology jobs. The children then became Producers, Merchants, Data Analysts and Computer Programmers for the day.



Children in Year 1 learnt how to programme their Bluebots (programmable toys), using algorithms and breaking down problems they encountered into smaller chunks in order to solve them (decomposition). They also planned a documentary on plants on a storyboard and then filmed on iPads.



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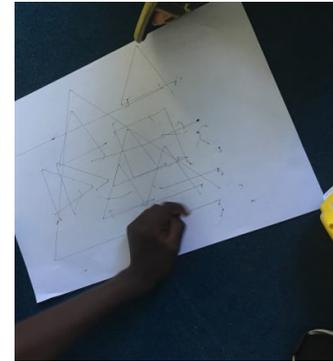
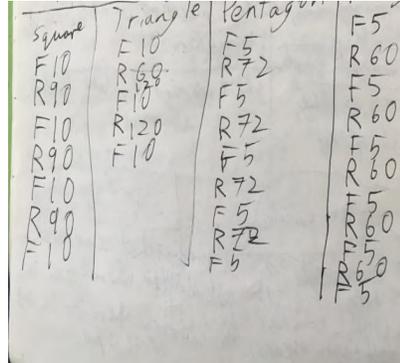
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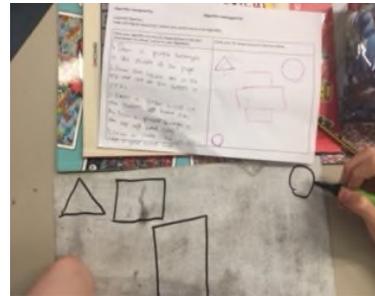
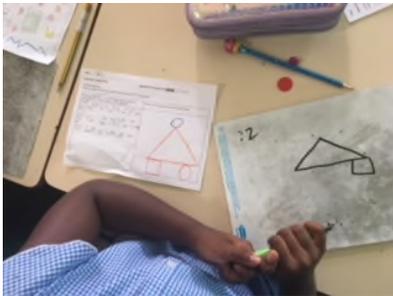
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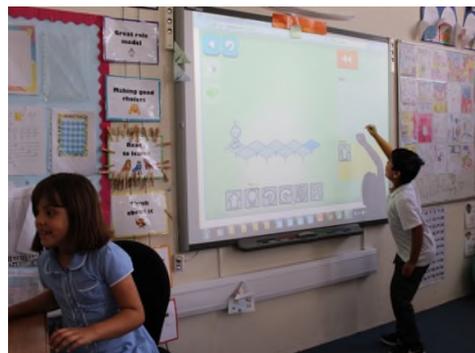
Year 5 programmed their Probots (programmable toys) to draw various polygons. They were given algorithms with mistakes and had to debug and reprogramme them.



Year 4 have been planning storyboards for their history project animation about Heber. Keep an eye out for the finished product! They also carried out an unplugged task that involved drawing 2D shapes by using logical reasoning to detect and correct errors in an algorithm.



Children in Year 3, put on their dancing shoes and broke down the steps to a dance routine and wrote it as an algorithm, which they then had to practise and spot any mistakes. They also learnt how to write algorithms to ensure that their Lightbot could light the bulbs. They had to tinker and debug their algorithms as they programmed.



Our youngest learners in Nursery learnt how to programme the Beebots using positional language such as: turn, left, right and forward. They also played human robots and programmers.

The Reception children learnt about touchpads and used Makey Makeys to programme bananas to play music!



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This week in the Art Room

This week we made giant flowers for our annual Great Art Exhibition. Whilst creating these botanical gems the children discovered that they also make amazing head gear. The exhibition will take place during our whole school Open Afternoon on **Friday 13th July**. Hope to see you there!



A Message from the Music Team

Wow, wow, and wow once more. The concert featuring the children from years 4, 5 and 6 was a resounding success! The children coped admirably in the heat, and really showed their learning with aplomb, skill and emotion. Those bands have already inspired younger children to explore different musical avenues and push their musical learning in new directions! The choir was incredible as ever, and we'll be seeing more of them at events coming up in the year. A big thanks to the adults who helped out and to the parents who came along and helped us to raise much needed funds for our department. The concert was a triumph thanks to you all; here's to the next one!

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly:

Reception – Jamie and Hadia

Year 1 – Monty and Mason

Year 2 – Max Lewandowski and Florence

Year 3 – Thomas and Ksenia

Year 4 – Archy and Ben

Year 5 – Riziki and Rebecca

Year 6 – Sophia and Maddie

Perform Dance Workshops

This week Years 1-5 were involved in dance workshops. The sessions were based on the fairy tale Snow White. If your child enjoyed the session and would be interested in pursuing dance workshops outside of school please visit Perform's website: www.perform.org.uk

Perform are offering a discount of £30 to Heber pupils, using the following discount code: HSBP150918.



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School Council in Action – A Message from Ms Bassett

This week, the school councillors, parent volunteers and members of support staff have been in action identifying drivers who have parked illegally on the zig zag line or idling. The children continue to record the number plates of parents who have been illegally parking. We have seen a reduction in the number of cars that are idling and parked outside the school gates on the zig zag lines or double parking.

Unfortunately, some conversations have been heated and our volunteers have experienced to some quite unacceptable verbal abuse, which is not tolerated at Heber Primary School. The school councillors cannot undertake this initiative without the support of our parent volunteers and I would like to thank the parent volunteers and Learning Support Assistances for backing our safe parking campaign.



Year 2 Visit to ZSL London Zoo

Year 2 have had a fantastic week. The children thoroughly enjoyed visiting ZSL London Zoo, where they took part in a “hands on” practical science workshop learning the difference between mammals, birds and reptiles. The children explored the zoo and saw penguins, giraffes, tigers, lions, gorillas and komodo dragons.



SUMMER FAIR SEASIDE FANCY DRESS COMPETITION

All you need is

WHAT WILL YOU GO AS?

FANCY DRESS PARADE at 12.30pm

Winners will be crowned the King & Queen of the Summer Fair and get £5 toyshop vouchers



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Heber Summer Fair a Message from our P&F

WIN A BRILLIANT RAFFLE PRIZE

Don't forget to buy your Summer Fair Raffle Tickets this week to be in with a chance of winning some of the amazing prizes that have been donated this year by our generous supporters.

Our star prizes include a bottle of Vintage Dom Perignon (worth over £200), a set of Neff kitchen pans (worth £140), a Magnum of Aalto Ribera Del Duero wine (worth £80) and a £50 Oddono Ice Cream gift card!

Other great prizes include: Balfe's Bikes service (worth £80); Sports Massage at ESPH (worth £45); Meal for 2 at Franklin's; £30 William Rose voucher; Blow Dry at Myles & Davis (worth £40); Meal for 2 at Terroirs; Picture House Cinema Tickets; Just Williams Toy Hamper; £20 Dulwich Tandoori Takeaway voucher; Make up Lesson at Dr Boo; £20 Dulwich DIY voucher; Tea & Cake at Jade Boulangerie; £20 Rigby & Mac ED voucher; EOS Dance classes; Kids Haircut at Little Clipper; Rye Books voucher; Tart voucher; Blackbird Bakery voucher.

Raffle tickets went in Book Bags last week, but more are available at the school office. Please return completed ticket stubs and money to the office by 3.30pm on Friday 13th July.

SUMMER FAIR DONATIONS

The Heber Summer Fair is on Sunday 15th July 12-3pm. We would be really grateful for the following donations:

- Filled Jolly Jam Jars (Jam Jars filled with sweets & treats)
- Preloved Teddies & Soft Toys in good condition.
- Unwanted gifts and bottles for the Tombola
- Nearly New school uniforms

Please leave them in the school office from today.

We also need Cakes for the Cake Stall - please could you leave them in the office on Friday 13th July. Thank you for all your support!

Staff Charity Walks

Congratulations to Mr Piddington and Mr Stevens, who both successfully completed their charity walk last weekend. Mr Stevens (5S Class Teacher) hiked the Jurassic Coast to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support and Mr Piddington (our Site Manager) hiked his way across Surrey to raise money for British Heart Foundation.

There is still time to donate to their Just Giving pages to help them to reach their targets.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/david-piddington2

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/dominicstevens



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Weekly Music Awards

KS1: The Key Stage 1 Music Awards this week go to Lucia and Parker in 2L. They took their clap pattern learning and raised it up a level, making a “swimming” pattern of their own even with new words. What amazing independent musical learning! Girls, you are role models to musical learners of all ages.

Lower Key Stage 2: The Lower Key Stage 2 Music Awards this week go to Clara in 3L and to Habib and Thomas in 3P. We are learning about tempo in Year 3. These children described different tempos accurately using key vocabulary, and even gave clear descriptions of *rallentando* and *accelerando*. Excellent job, I am very proud of your learning.

Upper Key Stage 2: Talk about resilience! Even to make a band and practice every week with them in your spare time is admirable, but to agree to perform in front of 300 people is something else. On top of that, she was ill that day, but came in to give her all and support her band members. Lula in 6D, you are the Upper Key Stage 2 music award winner this week.

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

| July | |
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| Friday 6 th | P&F School Disco |
| Monday 9 th | End of year reports to be sent home |
| Tuesday 10 th (9:30am) | Year 2 to Year 3 transition meeting |
| Tuesday 10 th | Year 6 performance at Alleyn’s Theatre |
| Tuesday 10 th | Ballet Black performances during assemblies |
| Tuesday 10 th | Classes to meet their new teachers |
| Wednesday 11 th (3:00pm) | 5K - Class Assembly |
| Wednesday 11 th | Nursery - Peckham Theatre |
| Wednesday 11 th | Year 6 – Dulwich Park |
| Thursday 12 th | Open Afternoon (1L only) |
| Thursday 12 th | Garden project – Deutsche Bank and Clifford Chance |
| Friday 13 th | Open Afternoon |
| Sunday 15 th (12:00pm – 3:00pm) | Summer Fair |
| Monday 16 th | Year 6 |
| Tuesday 17 th | Reception Classes - Peckham Theatre |
| Wednesday 18 th | Sports Day at Alleyn’s Top Field |
| Friday 20 th (9:30am) | Year 6 Leavers Assembly |
| Friday 20 th | End of term – school closes at 2:00pm |