



Newsletter ~ July 2021

Heacham Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this academic year, we want to celebrate the enthusiasm, effort and resilience of every pupil in our school. Our students make us proud and give us purpose to do our best for this community. We thank you too for your part in supporting learning this year. Here's to a bright future ahead! Our colourful Fun Run was certainly bright and was enjoyed by all. The children made flags and banners and dressed in bright clothing for the occasion. It was a huge success and helped to raise much needed funds for the NHS; huge thanks to all who donated. Oystercatcher and Albatross pupils took part in a 'Money Matters' workshop, which covered concepts such as budgeting, saving, borrowing, risk & reward and goal-setting in a fun, competitive environment. We hope that this experience has left our pupils with improved money management skills for the future! Some of the children have also enjoyed the 'Bikeability' sessions, in which they learnt about bike care and road safety. Sanderlings had their final Barbican Box session – this project has been pioneered by Michael Rosen and has involved links with local artists. The children have engaged brilliantly with it, embracing their creative flair! It will be very hard to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils and pupils moving on to other schools, as well as staff members who are taking on roles within other schools in the Trust. We wish them the very best of luck and hope they will come and visit us in the future.

Bubbles 2021/2022

With the relaxing of COVID-19 measures on 19th July, we look forward to making changes next academic year to the bubble arrangements, **however on return in September these arrangements remain in place and will be reviewed after two weeks.** Thank you for your continued support in what has been an unprecedented year. We hope you enjoy a much needed pleasant and relaxing break over the summer and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on 6th September.

Class bubble gate entrances for 2021/2022 will be signposted on return and are:

Y3 Oystercatcher – Cheney Hill

Y4 Avocets – Cheney Hill

Y5 Albatross – College Drive

Y6 Royal Tern – College Drive

Louise Jackson & Emma Hunt



Lunch Menu

September's menu is included in this newsletter.

It will also be on our website.

<https://www.heachamjunior.co.uk>

No need to book online



Term Dates:

Please note that our term dates are not the same as those published by Norfolk County Council.

Please see our website for further information.

The Last day of Term is Wed 21/7/21.

Children return on Monday 6/9/21.

Our Learning

Sanderlings

In maths, we have been exploring mass and capacity. We have had great fun measuring different objects and liquids and really enjoyed adding different volumes of liquid to create mysterious colour changing medicines, inspired by Roald Dahl's 'George's Marvellous Medicine.' In science we have been exploring magical magnets, testing different items to see which are magnetic and even created our own compass! We have loved learning about Henry VIII and his dynasty in history and we were all shocked at how he treated his wives!



Avocets

Avocets have had an amazing last half term. We have enjoyed making circuits to create torches which has progressed into designing and making nightlights. They have shown their amazing knowledge learnt from science last half term to help them in the design and technology unit. What can I say about their enthusiasm towards astronomy in science? Super attitude! They have been over and above learners and some of the children have created space posters at home as well. This half term has been lovely as we have been able to teach music as a class and sing (quietly in class) the song 'Blackbird' by the Beatles and the children can't seem to get the song out of their minds. I wish you all the best in Year 5!



Lapwings

In science, we have been learning about meteorology – which included thunderstorms, hurricanes, tornadoes and different types of wind. We made anemometers and used them outside to measure the wind speed. We have been screen printing in Art; creating our own designs, templates and actual screen prints. We also looked at various artists including Warhol and Hokusai. We've studied the local area in geography, looking at the different uses of land, buildings and house prices. We carried out field work on a recent walk around Heacham and used this data collected to create bar graphs, pie charts on desktop field work. In maths we have looked into metric and imperial measurements. We used the idea from 'George's Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl and created our own medicines by carefully measuring out different ingredients and seeing what the total volume was and what colour they turned. In history, we have been studying the Victorian Age. We have focused on social reform and Queen Victoria's legacy and compared it to that of her predecessors. We have been learning about commitment in RE and how this is shown in the Christian religion. In french, we have focused on naming the different rooms of a house and describing them in relation to their colour or what activity you may do there. In PSHE, we have focused on changes in relation to our bodies, puberty and how a baby is made.



Our Learning (cont'd)

Albatross

Wow! What a busy term we've had. The children were particularly excited to be able to leave school and go on a local field trip around Heacham as part of geography. We gathered lots of data about local businesses, land use, population and leisure. They discovered so many amenities on our doorstep - Heacham has lots to offer. In science we've learnt about meteorology and found out some fascinating weather facts. We've made our own anemometer to measure wind speed. Why not ask your child if they can explain the difference between a tornado and a hurricane? In PE we've been making the most of being outside and have been working on athletics – we've seen some great distances jumped and super javelin throws. In PSHE we have covered a lot in our 'Changing Me' topic, discussing self-image and self-esteem and the changes we all experience as we grow up and enter puberty. We have taken part in a fascinating finance workshop, charity Fun Run for the QEH and our bubble sports day. We'll miss them as they move into year 6 or onto high school. They will all be amazing in their future journeys!



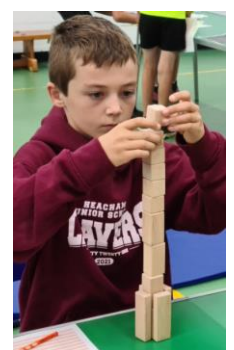
Oystercatchers

Oystercatchers have been working incredibly hard this half-term with assessments and units of work sent from high schools to help with the transition to high school. Finally, we have conquered long division! Our English transition unit has looked at myths and legends and how story-telling has evolved over time and is linked to landscape and culture. Our foundation subjects have also been very interesting: in history we have studied the development of the civil rights movement, geography we have studied the global issues such as the impact of tourism on the environment and the children wrote passionately about stopping plastic pollution. In art we have been building bird feeders and for some children it's been the first time they have used saws and glue guns! We have some lovely activities lined up for the last three days of term for our hard-working leavers. We will celebrate and have fun but it will be tinged with sadness as we say goodbye to them all and wish them every success for the future.



Money Matters Workshop

Albatross & Oystercatcher classes participated in a Financial Workshop a couple of weeks ago. They learned about how to manage money, savings, investments, borrowing, lending, risk and reward but with lots of fun and games thrown in.





2021/2022

06/09/21 - Children Return to School (Bubbles)
 15/09/21 - Ken Hill Farm Visit Y6
 22/09/21 - Ken Hill Farm Visit Y5
 29/09/21 - Ken Hill Farm Visit Y4
 04/10/21 - Individual/Sibling Photos Tempest 9am
 06/10/21 - Ken Hill Farm Visit Y3
 15/10/21 - NHS Flu Immunisation
 22/10/21 - Closed Inset Day

25/10/21 - Half-Term (children return 1/11/21)

11/11/21 - Armistice Day – 2 mins silence
 10/12/21 - Wizard of Oz Panto @ HJS

20/12/21 – Christmas Holiday (children return 5/1/22)



West Norfolk Academies Trust is on easyfundraising. If you would like to help raise funds for the schools across the trust, every time you shop online, please take a look on

easyfundraising.com

Twitter Please follow us on twitter as we are using that social media platform more regularly than facebook



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 @heachamjunior

Barbican Box Project

Sanderlings have enjoyed taking part in this art project. The sessions ended with a post-project zoom call with the project organisers, artists, other participating schools and with Mr Rosen himself who curated the items found in the box which stoked the children's imagination and resulted in some fantastic pieces of work.



**Health Support & Advice
 for children and young people**
<https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>
0300 300 0123

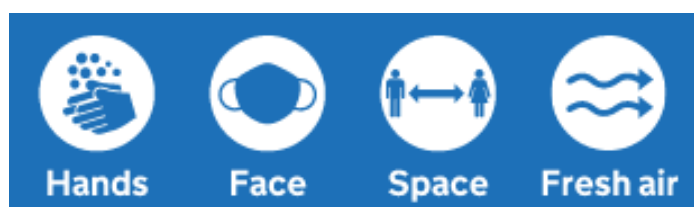
This is a very helpful service provided by NHS and Norfolk Children's Services. If you need help and support with anything from pregnancy to child anxiety, child development and additional needs, Covid FAQ. Please visit the website or give them a call for support.

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The school continues to encourage thorough hand washing and follows the guidelines laid out by Public Health England for schools.

The Government currently advises to self-isolate (stay at home) for 10 days and **book a PCR test** if you or someone you live with has a 'new' persistent cough, a temperature or a loss of smell/taste. Lateral Flow Tests are for asymptomatic testing.

Please refer to the government website for updates
<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>



Extra-Curricular Activities:

Gardening Club

Last week, our talented gardeners started to reap the reward of their hard work - we harvested vegetables which they then took home. We successfully grew broad beans, runner beans, carrots, onions, lettuces, radishes, turnips, potatoes and beetroot. Sadly, the deer ate our tomatoes, cabbages and sprouts! We will have to devise some sort of deer-proof fencing for next year!



Art Club

We have had so much fun in art club this term! We have made our own sketchbooks, used lollipops to build houses and tie-dyed our own t-shirts!

Multi-Sports Club

Year 4 have enjoyed their last half-term of Multisport playing sports such as Basketball, Netball, Bench ball and Yoga. Here are some pictures of the children practising their shooting and defending skills in Basketball and competing against each other in a Bench ball tournament. A great group of team players! Well done Charlie, Vinny, Pamela, Olivia, Zach, Luca, Samuel, Erin, George and Ava.



Drama Club

The children really enjoyed being Pirates this year, argh! It has been difficult with covid restrictions but they have managed to learn and perform a selection of pieces set to music based around the theme of 'Pirates sailing the Oceans Wide'. The club, apart from being great fun, develops confidence, builds self-esteem and promotes good mental and physical fitness. An outdoor performance was enjoyed by parents and staff. Mr Giller will be returning in the Autumn Term, spaces are limited.

Information about clubs for September will be sent home during the first couple of weeks of next term.



<https://home.classdojo.com>

We will be continuing to use Class Dojo next year - it has proved to be a very good communication tool. If you would like a second parent to have access, please email their name along with their email address to office@heachamjunior.co.uk and we will add them to your child's account.

Thank you for all of your donations we have raised over £6,000 as a Trust for the NHS. As a school we raised £291.20 and managed to complete 782 laps – that's 391km!



Music Tuition with Miss Berners

Springwood High School are running a scheme funded by WNAT, to encourage children to learn to play an instrument.



Year 4 String players have been getting to grips with their Violins and Cellos this term. They have been learning to pluck the strings, play with the bow, use their fingers to make different notes, and read music notation.

Year 5 Brass players have been learning trumpets & trombones this term, using mainly plastic type instruments making them easier to hold. They are learning how to adjust the shape of their mouths to produce different notes, use positions on the trombone slide, use valve combinations on the trumpets, and read music notation.

Sadly, the proposed concert involving all the musicians in the Trust's schools, has had to be postponed until October.

Friends of HJS (PTA)

Thank you for supporting all of our fundraising this year. We are planning some exciting things for next year including the return of Dame Kitty Litter for a Panto Performance of the Wizard of Oz in school on 10th December!

The Friends of HJS have launched our School Lottery. Please read on for more information.

Kelly Hall
Chair of PTA

If you have a matter you wish to discuss with our Headteacher Ms Jackson, or our Deputy Head, Mrs Hunt, please make a telephone or Zoom appointment with Mrs Bridge in the school office and we will be very happy to chat to you. We want everyone to feel welcome in our school and also to ensure that the children's safety, learning and happiness are always our priority. 😊

Free School Meal Vouchers

If you are entitled to FSM, your vouchers will be issued in two lots over the Summer Holidays. The first on 26/7/21 and the second on 16/8/21. Please check your inbox/spam as they will be emailed directly from Edenred. Many thanks!

Have your circumstances changed recently?

You may be eligible for Free School Meals.

The school receives funding for each child who comes under Pupil Premium (including free school meals), so it is worth applying!! You can apply online

<https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enquiries/Citizen/FreeSchoolMeals.aspx/>

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk?fbclid=IwAR181hWbnsrWnVeC-KZ31j-HfjFmGLwKL7zsv9QVbkEfY1uKETvz0cDSlcQ>

Don't forget to let us know if any of your contact numbers or addresses change during the Summer Holidays. Please inform Denise Bridge in the office, (office@heachamjunior.co.uk) if your emergency contact information changes or if either parent moves house or changes phone numbers. It is very important that we are able to contact someone in case of an emergency.



Children & Young People's Health Services **NHS**

Just one Number

online Learning

FREE FOR NORFOLK FAMILIES

ACCESS CODE:
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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD

SOLIHULL APPROACH

Parentline
07520 631590

Parentline is a text service for parents/carers to get in touch about any parenting questions or concerns.

If you need advice about your child or young person's health or wellbeing, simply send a text and one of the team will text you back.

You can text at any time. A health professional from the 0-19 team will reply during opening times. You can have the whole conversation by text if that works best for you, or the practitioner can call you.



Awards Presented this term:

Congratulations to the receivers of the following awards..

Reading Awards - £10 WHSmith Voucher & Certificate:

Presented for commitment to daily reading and/or most improved readers

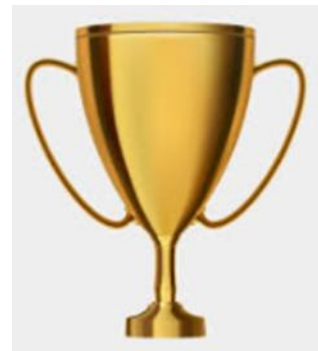
Brendan, Sanderling

Vinny, Avocet

Nicolas, Lapwing

Jacob, Albatross

Thea, Oystercatcher



100% Attendance Whole Year

Certificate for attending everyday this year 1/9/20-20/7/21 (excludes lockdown 1/1/21-7/3/21):

Sanderling: Faith, Harry, Tilly, Lily, Mabel, Lewis, Finley, Imogen & May

Avocet: Charlie, Matilda, Pamela, Ella, Noah & Noah

Lapwing: Logan

Albatross: Katie, Keeley, Isobel & Maxwell

Oystercatcher: Aaron, Kathryn, Ava & Martha

Every Year our Year 6 Leavers are considered for the following 3 awards:

Rotary Hunstanton & District Citizenship Award - £25 book token & Certificate:

For being a good citizen and making a contribution to your community both in and out of school:

James – for walking 11 miles and raising £275 for an Alzheimer's Charity

Kathryn – for regularly litter picking around the community



The Darley Sports Cup - £10 WHSmith Voucher & Certificate:

For outstanding contribution to Sport, always supportive to others and leading by example:

Ryan

The Harby-Mackay Cup - £10 WHSmith Voucher & Certificate:

For outstanding attitude to Learning, always supportive showing good leadership skills and leading by example:

Harry S & Katie

New Role for Year 6 in September – Head Boy/Girl

Congratulations to Jude & Ruby. They will be wearing their new Navy Head Boy/Girl tops next year!



Autumn Term 2021

Class trips have been booked for Sept/Oct (see diary dates) to visit WILD KEN HILL. Please be prepared with suitable footwear, water-proof coat.



Regenerative Farming

We're experts at regenerative farming, growing healthy food while fostering amazing farmland biodiversity and storing carbon in our soils



Rewilding

We're letting nature take over on 25% of our site, with ponies, cattle, pigs and beavers managing the rich landscape for us



Traditional Conservation

We actively manage freshwater marshes, river valleys and woodlands, spending time and effort to create great habitat for rare species

Classes 2021-2022:

Oystercatcher Year 3 – Mrs Feeney with Mrs Manning

Avocet Year 4 – Mrs Tilbrook with Mrs Nurse, Mr Feeney

Albatross Year 5 – Miss Prosser with Miss Roper, Mrs Taylor

Royal Tern Year 6 – Mrs Jones & Ms Gledhill with Ms Cator, Mrs Watson

Farewell

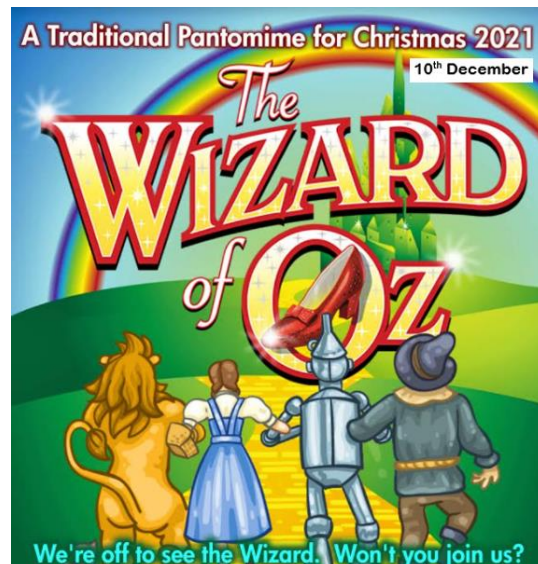


The following staff are leaving Heacham Junior School, but we will still see them working at other schools within the Trust

Carol Jones - Congratulations on qualifying as a Teacher

Jessica Morgan, Teacher – transferring to Heacham Infant & Nursery

Jessica Sunderland, TA - transferring to Heacham Infant & Nursery



Term Dates 2021-2022 – Trust Primary Schools



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Police visit Online Safety

We had some special visitors last week from the Norfolk Constabulary talking to the children about keeping themselves safe online and in the community. The children were given lots of advice and were even given a demonstration on how the Police handcuff anyone resisting arrest - in this case a murderous Miss Roper!!



Year 6 Beach Trip



FRIENDS OF HJS

Our School Lottery has been launched!!

Heacham Junior School

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Help Us To
BUILD UP
SCHOOL FUNDS

Support Our Lottery, **WIN £250 of LEGO**

- ◆ Help us raise vital funds all year round
- ◆ Tickets cost less than an ice cream!
- ◆ Cash winner every week, even during school holidays
- ◆ Win up to £25,000, or a £250 Lego Gift Card

Buy A Ticket

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Ending date 31st Oct 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details)

The friends of HJS have organised a school lottery to help raise much needed funds for school. They fund the extras that make school memories such as Pantos, trips, leavers' gifts, library resources and lots, lots more. Please use the link below to purchase tickets:

PLEASE VISIT <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/heacham-junior-school>

The first draw is on Saturday 14th August.

The next Friends meeting will be via the messenger app. It will be held on 26th September at 7pm if anyone wishes to join up please email Kelly.hall.1@talktalk.net

The Friends of Heacham would like to thank Victoria English for all of her support over the years.

Hopefully we be able to organise many more events in the new school year.

Kelly Hall, Chair of Friends of HJS

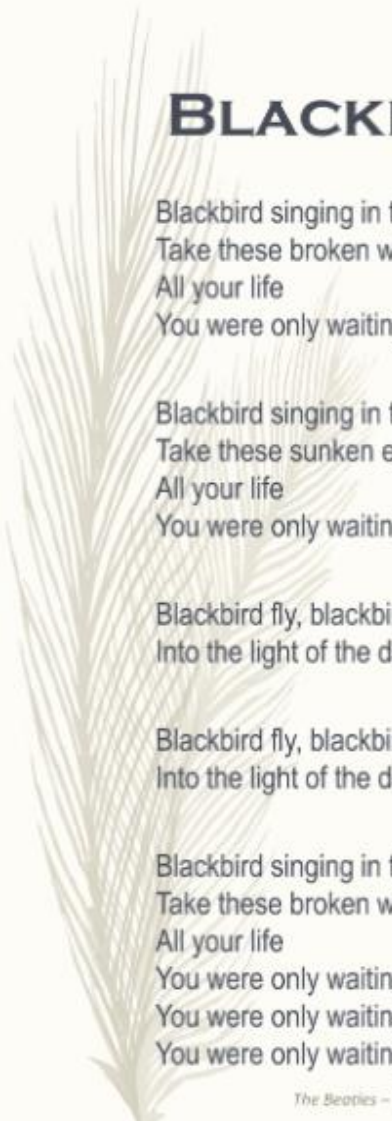
Year 6 Leavers' Gifts

This year we have purchased some personalised water bottles for our year 6 leavers.



CLASS OF 2021

Aaron	James D	Marley
Aliya	James M	Martha
Amelie	Jamie B	Max
Ava	Jamie M	Millie-Mai
Bailey	Jemima	Neve
Ben	Jessica	Oliver
Demi M	Kathryn	Olivia
Demi U	Katie	Oscar K
Ellie	Kayla	Oscar L
Ellie-Mae	Kizzy	Rowan
Harry K	Layla	Ryan
Harry S	Lewis P	Thea
Hayden F	Lewis R	Tilly-Louise
Hayden J	Lottie G	Tyler
Jake	Lottie H	William
	Luke	



THE BEATLES

BLACKBIRD


Blackbird singing in the dead of night
Take these broken wings and learn to fly
All your life
You were only waiting for this moment to arise

Blackbird singing in the dead of night
Take these sunken eyes and learn to see
All your life
You were only waiting for this moment to be free

Blackbird fly, blackbird fly
Into the light of the dark black night

Blackbird fly, blackbird fly
Into the light of the dark black night

Blackbird singing in the dead of night
Take these broken wings and learn to fly
All your life
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The Beatles - White Album - 1968