



Issue No 852, Friday 10th January 2020

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 13th	<i>(Clubs begin today)</i> Y3 Focus Meeting for Staff	4.15pm
	U11 Swimming v Abberley Hall (a)	6pm
Tuesday 14th	U8/9 A,B,C&D Football v King's St Albans (a)	2.30pm
Wednesday 15th	Colts A,B&D Football v King's St Albans (h)	2.30pm
	Colts C&E Football v King's St Albans (a)	2.30pm
	Colts A&B Netball v King's St Albans (h)	2.30pm
	Colts C&D Netball v King's St Albans (h)	3.15pm
Thursday 16th	Reception Trip to Café Ascari, Hereford	9.30am
	PTA Committee Meeting, Junior School	7.30pm
Friday 17th	Senior School 11+ Sports Scholarship Trials	10.45am-3.45pm
Saturday 18th	Colts A&B Netball v HCS U12 B&C (h)	12noon

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:

Monday 20th	Health & Safety Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
	Y5 Focus Meeting for Staff	4.15pm
Tuesday 21st	Cathedral Safeguarding Meeting	11.30am
Wednesday 22nd	School Service (Y2-6) led by 6G, Cathedral	8.50am
	Winterfold House Colts A Football Tournament	1.45pm
	Colts B,C,D&E Football v The Downs (h)	2.30pm
	Colts B&D Netball v The Downs (h)	2.30pm
	Colts A&C Netball v The Downs (h)	3.15pm
Thursday 23rd	Senior School 11+ Music Scholarship Auditions	all day
	Y5 Parents' Evening, Zimmerman Main Hall	5.30-8pm
Saturday 25th	Singing Outreach Event, Junior School	11am-12.30pm

FROM THE HEAD

Happy New Year to you all! I do hope that your children have enjoyed the first week back. We welcomed several new children into Nursery this week, as well as new children into Year 2 and Year 5. Parents of children in these year groups will receive updated contact sheets today. Whilst I hope that all the children feel responsible for looking after new members of our community, if your child is a nominated buddy, please do take the time to talk with them about this important and impactful role.

Assemblies this week have focused upon New Year's resolutions. On Wednesday, Mr Debenham suggested to all of those in Years 3,4,5&6 that a worthy resolution would be to carry out an act of kindness each day. This morning, I continued the theme of a daily dose of kindness with Years 3&4. They have agreed to endeavour to carry out a random act of kindness each day for the next week and record these via post-it notes on a kindness wall in each of their classrooms. Watch this space...!

Next week, all children in Years 5&6 will be involved in matches and Reception are off to Café Ascari! I do hope that you all have a restful weekend.

Chris Wright

HOLIDAY CLUBS

I hope that all those children who attended our holiday clubs over the Christmas holidays enjoyed them. Please do feel free to email me with any feedback or thoughts about our holiday club provision (c.wright@herefordcs.com). Parents of children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 who have not yet signed their children up for the February half term holiday club will have received a reminder email this week. Could I ask please that any bookings are made by Friday 31st January.

The booking form is available here: <https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/castle-hill-holiday-club/booking-form---february-half-term-2020>

STAFF NEWS

We welcomed Miss Jaynes back to school at the beginning of this term. She will be working part time and alongside Mr Browning for the first two weeks of term, with the plan for her to resume her full time role from Monday 20th January. Congratulations to Mrs Thomas (Year 6 Maths and Girls Games) who had a baby girl on 9th January! Whilst Mrs Thomas is on maternity leave, Mr Browning will be teaching her Year 6 Maths set and Mrs Debenham will be joining the Girls Games staff team. We said goodbye to Mr Jones (Gap student) at the end of last term. He will shortly be travelling to Australia and we wish him well down under!

CURRICULUM OUTLINES

These will shortly be available on Firefly. We will email parents with the relevant links once these pages are live.



NURSERY

The children in Nursery have been sharing their Christmas holiday memories during circle times this week.

YEAR 1

Year 1 returned from their Christmas holiday to find BB, their class bear, missing! Luckily they found him but sadly, he has been very unhappy over the holidays and has asked 1W to help him. He wants to go on a holiday and he has asked 1W to find out about different countries to help him decide on a destination. The children have decided to investigate the world and discover information about the weather, animals, cultures and physical features so that BB can have the best holiday ever! The children are so excited about this topic.



YEAR 5 MATHS

Year 5 have been having fun this week measuring using a number of different measuring devices. They have been around the school grounds measuring the perimeter of different areas using a combination of standard and non-standard units. We were surprised to discover that using non-standard units such as pacing and foot length did not vary as much as we had first thought even though some of us have longer paces and bigger feet than others.



GAMES DEPARTMENT

We had a really good turnout at the pre-season football and netball sessions. Thank you to all of those who attended.

Next week is busy with a swimming gala at Abberley Hall on Monday and football and netball matches against King's St Albans on Tuesday and Wednesday. Nearly 100 pupils will be involved in matches! We also wish all of our pupils who are taking part in the HCS 11+ sports scholarship day next Friday the very best of luck and hope that they enjoy the experience.

EXTREME WEATHER AND PARENTS' CONTACT DETAILS

Who knows, perhaps we may be in for some exciting weather this term! Parents are reminded that we do have an Extreme Weather Policy, which can be found here (<http://www.herefordcs.com/School-Policies>). Essentially, the school will remain open except in the most exceptional of circumstances. Children are not expected to travel to school if doing so puts themselves or others at risk. In the event of extreme weather, a message will be placed on the school website and parents will be sent a text or email. It is therefore essential that the School Office has up-to-date contact details for all parents.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Monday (Reception – Year 6): We talked about New Year's resolutions. Some of the children shared their resolutions with us and also those of their parents! We talked about how difficult it can be to turn over a new leaf, and how important it is to try, try and try again! After all, 'just when the caterpillar thought it's life was over it began to fly!'

Tuesday (Reception – Year 2) & Wednesday (Year 3 – Year 6): Mr Debenham continued the theme of New Year's resolutions. He suggested that a worthy New Year's resolution might be to carry out an act of kindness each day.

Friday (Year 3 – Year 6): Mr Wright told the story of 'The Old Woman and a Stranger' (<http://beginwithyes.com/the-old-woman-and-a-stranger-a-circle-of-kindness/>). We discussed our daily dose of kindness resolution.

MERITS

R Pattison, G O'Rourke (x2), J Hayes, F Brown, F Middleton, J Austin, E-M Simcock, N Legge (x2), A Walker, M Morgan-Jones, H Jehan, T Morgan-Jones, E-M Simcock, B Evans, H Whitaker.

AWARDED IN ASSEMBLIES

- Max Baillie – breaststroke swimming certificate.
- Max Baillie – Beavers award - chief Scouts bronze award and Beaver badges.
- Florence Moseley – winning trophy for 60cm class at King's Arena Eventing and 1st and 2nd rosettes for Moore's Farm showjumping.

LOST

Oliver Lort-Phillips – coat (named).

Happy birthday during the holidays to...Esha Chalasani, Jessica Austin, Matilda Coleman, Hector Jefferson, Ella McComb, Teddy Macdonald, Xanthe Macdonald, Avitej Singh, Jemima Hayes, Flora Rogers, George Walduck & Perdita Jerram.

Happy birthday this week to...Isabel Debenham & Naiya Goodwin.

Junior Times Archive: www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times

Games team sheets are available via Firefly:

<https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/login/login.aspx?prelogin=https%3a%2f%2fherefordcs.fireflycloud.net%2f>

Junior School photos along with news, events and achievements can be accessed via our Facebook page: 

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