



**Issue No 858, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

<b>Today</b>	<del>U9 &amp; U11 Cross Country v RGS The Grange (a)</del>	2pm
<b>Tomorrow</b>	UK Chess Challenge School Qualifier, Library	9am-1pm
<b>THE WEEK AHEAD:</b>		
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH</b>	<i>St David's Day</i> <del>Marches Rugby 7s, Wyeside</del>	<del>all day</del>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse Staff Academic Focus Meeting	all day 4.15pm
<b>Tuesday 3rd</b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse Reception Trip to Pizza Express, Hereford RGS The Grange U9 Netball Festival Chorister Instrumental Concert, College Hall	all day am 1.30pm 6.45pm
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse Colts A&B Netball v The Elms (h) Colts A&B Football v The Elms (a)	all day 2.30pm 2.45pm
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>World Book Day</i> Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse	all day
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Chorister Open Morning, College Hall	9.30am-12noon
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<del>National Prep Schools' U11 Cross Country Championships, Malvern College</del>	<del>10am</del>
<b>LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:</b>		
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>British Science Week</i> Y5 to Science Workshop, Senior School Y3-6 'Commit to ComplEAT Lunch' Dining Hall PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale, St David's Hall Staff Academic Focus Meeting (Assessment Review)	10.40-11.50am 12.15pm 3-4.30pm 4.15pm
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	U9, U10 & U11 Swimming v The Elms (a) Senior School Open Morning, Gilbert Library U8/9 A,B&C Football v The Downs (a) U8/9 A,B&C Netball v The Downs (a)	6pm 9-11am 2.45pm 2.45pm
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>Deadline for dates to be submitted for Summer Term calendar</i> PTA Committee Meeting, Junior School 3W Form Assembly, St David's Hall Reception Taster Afternoon Colts C,D&E Football v Monmouth (h) Colts C&D Netball v King's Gloucester (h) Colts A&B Football v Monmouth (a) Colts A&B Netball v King's Gloucester (h) Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival Gala Concert, Courtyard	9am 1pm 2-3pm 2.30pm 2.30pm 2.45pm 3.15pm 7pm pm
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Y4 to 'Lambing Live', Kentchurch Estate Colts A&B Girls' Netball Tour to Bath departs	12.15pm
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Colts A&B Girls' Netball Tour to Bath returns	8.30pm

**FROM THE HEAD**

The weather has presented its challenges this week. My thanks to all those staff who have been involved in rearranging sports practices and fixtures, and to those involved in putting provision into place for the children whilst the swimming pool remains closed.

We continue to respond to the Government's advice on Coronavirus (COVID-19). Parents will have read the article in the Junior Times on 13<sup>th</sup> February, and also my letter of 26<sup>th</sup> February. I should make you aware that part of the Government's advice to schools is that the children wash their hands before they leave home in the morning and when they arrive home each evening. I do hope you will follow this advice at home.

The advice also suggests that children wash their hands (or use hand gel) when arriving at school, and when departing from school too. Your children are in the know, and hand gel is available to them as they enter and leave school.

All that said, this has been a week of uplifting starts to the day!

On Monday, we began the working day by listening to Eirian playing the flute. On Tuesday, Pre-Prep assembly was heart-warming indeed, as the children told us about their Happy Diaries - please see the assembly article below for further details. On Wednesday, children from Years 3-6, some parents and staff attended our Ash Wednesday Service, led by the Dean in the Cathedral. We heard the Choristers sing an extract from Gregorio Allegri's Miserere mei, Deus ("Have mercy on me, O God"). Thursday began for me with two Year 5 children calling into my office to perform their very own hand washing song and dance routine(!). This morning, I look forward to hearing the Chamber Choir perform and watching our Year 6 guides in action at our Open Morning.

Let us hope for a rain free weekend!

Chris Wright.



## CURRICULUM OUTLINES

Curriculum outlines for Years 1-6 for the second half of term can now be found on Firefly within the 'Resources' pages for each year group.



## NURSERY

To celebrate Shrove Tuesday we made pancake faces using strawberries, raspberries, cranberries and a sprinkling of sugar!



## RECEPTION

Reception had lots of fun this week learning about when to use capital letters. We had a morning of different activities, such as matching lower case letters to their capitals and painting with capital letter sponges.



## YEAR 5&6 VOLUNTEER AT HEREFORD FOOD BANK

Following the successful visits during the October half term, twelve more of our Year 5&6 pupils volunteered at Hereford Food Bank during half term. Thank you to the Food Bank for hosting them, they all enjoyed the experience.

## YEAR 5&6 ART & DRAMA TRIP TO LONDON

At 7am on Friday 14th February, Mrs Gummerson, Dr Barber, Mrs Walker and Mr Browning took a group of 42 Year 5&6 pupils to London. We travelled speedily to London and arrived at the V&A Museum at 11.30am. We split into four groups and with our booklets travelled around the museum looking for stained glass, arches theatre and costume. The highlight was finding the Hereford screen that originally came from Hereford Cathedral! After lunch we travelled to the hotel and readied ourselves for the evening ahead. After dinner we walked to the theatre and saw an exciting and colourful performance of Matilda with a yummy ice cream at the interval. Back to the hotel for a much needed sleep before our final visit to Tate Modern the next morning. A busy but enjoyable time was had by all. Lots more photos from the trip can be found on our [Facebook page](#).



## CASTLE HILL HOLIDAY CLUB (FOR CHILDREN IN NURSERY TO YEAR 2)

Lots of fun was had by all at our Castle Hill Holiday Club (CHHC) during half term! More photos from the trip can be found on our [Facebook page](#).

Bookings for CHHC for the Easter holidays can be made via Firefly. The deadline for CHHC Easter bookings is Friday 13th March.



## ALL NEW HCJS MINI TENNIS CLUB

A reminder that Tennis Hereford are piloting a new 5.30-6.30pm tennis club for 5-9 year olds on Fridays at the Hereford Squash and Tennis Club (HR4 0LX). The sessions are aimed specifically at Hereford Cathedral Junior School pupils. All abilities are welcome, including beginners.

There are limited spaces remaining on the first session this evening. Tonight's session is free and there will be a charge of £5 for subsequent sessions.

We do need to know numbers so if you would like your child to attend or for any further information please email [info@tennishereford.co.uk](mailto:info@tennishereford.co.uk)



## GAMES DEPARTMENT

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March – National Prep Schools' Cross Country Championships are cancelled.

The effects of Storm Dennis have caused issues this week. Wyeside has been flooded and travelling to some schools has been difficult. A number of sporting events have regrettably been cancelled as a result. On Tuesday, the U9 boys played at the RGS The Grange tournament whilst on Wednesday, the Colts A netballers took part in the IAPS Regionals at Rugby School. Placed in a tough group, the girls finished bottom of their group, but were able to get to the bowl final, where they lost narrowly.



### **Herefordshire A A Cross Country Championships – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

If any pupil in Years 3 – 6 wishes to take part in the Herefordshire County Cross Country Championships on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March at the Racecourse, please could you let Mr Turpin know by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March. It costs £2 to enter and this should be brought into the School Office. Further detail will then be provided.

#### Football – RGS the Grange U9 Tournament

HCJS 0 – 4 King's Hawford

HCJS 0 – 1 Winterfold

HCJS 2 – 0 Abberley Hall

HCJS 0 – 1 King's St Alban's



*U11 HCJS netball team at IAPS Regional Netball*

#### Netball - IAPS Regionals

HCJS 2 – 17 Spratton Hall

HCJS 2 – 7 Beachborough

HCJS 3 – 5 Malvern Downs

HCJS 3 – 11 Bilton Grange

#### Bowl Semi Final

HCJS 5 – 3 The Croft Prep School

#### Bowl Final

HCJS 4 – 6 St Christina's School

## **RECEPTION TASTER AFTERNOON**

We are holding a Reception Taster Afternoon on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March for children who are registered to join us in Reception as well as any who may be considering HCJS Reception.

Please do pass on these details to anyone you know who might be considering our school for their children. Please also feel free to 'share' our 'like' our Facebook posts.



## CHORISTER OPEN MORNING – SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Parents are invited to attend a Chorister Open Morning on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, where you can find out more about life as a Chorister.

Please feel free to pass on the details to anyone who you know who may be interested.

To book a place or for further information please contact:

[office@herefordcathedral.org](mailto:office@herefordcathedral.org)

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL

## DO YOU KNOW A BOY WHO LOVES TO SING?

Chorister Open Morning  
Saturday 7 March 2020

### EXPLORE BEING A CATHEDRAL CHORISTER

Hereford's historic cathedral choir offers a wonderful opportunity for boys to receive a unique musical education in a spectacular setting.

All the choristers are educated at Hereford Cathedral School, where they receive substantial scholarships provided by the cathedral, which may be increased to 100% in case of financial need.

Boys aged 6–8 are welcome to attend the open morning from 9.30 am to 12 noon. Attendance is free, but places are limited, so booking is essential:  
[office@herefordcathedral.org](mailto:office@herefordcathedral.org)  
01432 374 212



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## SENIOR SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM OPEN MORNING - TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

The upcoming Open Morning at the Senior School offers the opportunity to see the School in action and have a full tour of the school with Senior School pupils who be able to tell you all about life at HCS. You will also have the chance to hear from the Headmaster, and other staff will be available to answer any questions you may have about the Senior School & Sixth Form curriculum, pastoral care and extra-curricular activities. All year groups are welcome. Please contact Mrs Louise Bytheway, Admissions Officer, on 01432 363506 or via email ([admissions@herefordcs.com](mailto:admissions@herefordcs.com)) if you would like to attend. Registration is at 9am in the Gilbert Library, Old Block, Castle Street, followed by Chapel, Headmaster's address, tours and refreshments.

## ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

**Monday (Reception – Year 6):** We drew the Guide Dog raffle for the knitted dogs which had been kindly made by Miss Jeynes. The winners were Amelie M and Rupert P! We congratulated all those pupils who won bronze or silver awards so far this year.



Well done to Eirian T (6T) who played the flute during assembly. Assembly was followed by House meetings.



**Tuesday (Reception – Year 2):** Mr Wright led the assembly and we spoke about the children's half term Happy Diaries. Many of the children filled in the diary every day or at least some days. Several children spoke about how they had enjoyed filling in the diaries – why, asked Mr Wright? They said that they had enjoyed spending time with Mum or Dad, they had enjoyed thinking about and remembering their day. Touchingly, they had also enjoyed writing about their feelings. All of us adults present were moved to hear the children speak so openly about the process of keeping their diaries.

Many thanks to those parents who supported their children in our Happy Diary project. I hope you too found it worthwhile. Thank you also to those of you who have sent completed diaries into school. Form teachers and I have very much enjoyed looking at these and talking with some of the children. The diaries will be returned to you over the next few days. Inspired by the Pre-Prep children's responses in assembly on Tuesday, I suspect that a future project may involve us all talking about and writing about our feelings.

**Wednesday (Year 2 – Year 6):** Children in Year 3-6 started the day in the Cathedral, where the Dean led our Ash Wednesday service. He told something of the Chorister's role in the Cathedral and of their commitment too, and we heard them sing. The Dean went on to tell us of Ash Wednesday and of the importance of repentance.

## MERITS

M Morgan-Jones, E Buck, E-M Simcock, G Holloway, H Whitaker, A Walker, P Blackburn, N Legge, A Priday.

## AWARDED IN ASSEMBLIES

- Poppy Dorise - riding rosettes
- Willow Jones - Kung-Fu belt and ballet rosette
- Vanessa Holman - swimming certificate
- Theo Fowler – skiing award
- Leah Tolley – swimming certificate

**Happy birthday during half term to...** Archie Turtle, Aidan Priday, Luca Lewis & Martha Bozward.

**Happy birthday this week to...** Angharad Agyeman, Alexandra Sandy, Kai Emery, Theo Gerrand, Isabel North, Darcey Sherief, Eirian Thomas & Maggie Letts.

**Junior Times Archive:** [www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times](http://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: [Facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/](https://www.facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/)

Head of the Junior School's Blog: <https://www.herefordcs.com/blog/category/head-of-junior-school>

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