

Issue No 828, Friday 3rd May 2019

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Saturday 4th	Y6 Bikeability, Junior School (to be confirmed)	9am-3pm
Monday 6th	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 7th	Summer Uniform compulsory from today	
	PTA Committee Meeting, Library	8.45am
	Class Photos, Quiet Garden	9.15am
	Y6 Vista Group Leavers' Photo, St David's Hall	12noon
Wednesday 8th	RGS U10 (Boys) Cricket Tournament	1.30pm
	Colts B (Boys) Cricket v The Elms (h)	2.30pm
	Colts B Rounders v The Elms (h)	2.30pm
	Colts A Cricket (Girls) v The Elms (a)	2.45pm
	Professional Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
Friday 10th	Governors' Education Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
	Chamber Choir Singing at Music in Quiet Places Concert, Abbey Dore	7pm
Saturday 11th	Herefordshire Athletics Championships, Leisure Centre	all day
LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:		
Monday 13th	Cathedral Liaison Meeting, Chapter Room	1.15pm
	Staff Academic Focus Meeting (Assessment)	4.15pm
Tuesday 14th	U9 A&B Rounders v Moor Park (a)	2.45pm
	Senior School Open Evening for Parents of Y5, Gilbert Library	6.30pm
Wednesday 15th	Y3&4 Trip to 'We The Curious', Bristol	all day
	School Service (Y2-6) led by 6H, Cathedral	8.50am
	Colts A&B Cricket (Girls) v Malvern St James (h)	2.30pm
	Colts A,B&C Rounders v Malvern St James (a)	2.45pm
Thursday 16th	IAPS Regional Cricket (Girls), Bristol Grammar School	all day
	Junior School Open Morning	9.45-11.30am
Friday 17th	PTA Fete, Quiet Garden	3.30-4.30pm
	Governors' General Purposes Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
Saturday 18th	Y6 Bikeability, Junior School (to be confirmed)	9am-3pm
	U11 Aquathlon, Malvern College	10am
Sunday 19th	Y5&6 French Trip	departs 6.30am
	UK Chess Challenge Mercia Mega Final, Zimmerman Main Hall	all day

FROM THE HEAD

Assemblies this week have focused on the importance of persevering - how one might respond when things seem tough and it seems difficult to keep on going, and on how much more rewarding it feels to have achieved something which we found challenging. Similarly, Year 6 have been thinking about what it takes to be a hero in RE lessons this week. We have concluded that what makes a person a hero are in fact attitudes and qualities to which we can all aspire, rather than achievements in themselves.

Pre-Prep parents will not have failed to notice that staff and children have transformed the Year 1 classrooms into a castle. The children's interest and enthusiasm has certainly been harnessed, as they embark on their 'Turrets and Tiaras' topic. Similarly, last term, the children's interest and enthusiasm was harnessed by a mysterious and almost unbelievable occurrence - the Year 1 teachers have written about this in the Junior School Blog ([here](#)).

The Year 5 children enjoyed their World Faiths Trip to Birmingham this week. For many this trip will have been a demystifying and extremely valuable experience, an important marker in the process of developing an appreciation and tolerance for those of different cultures and with different beliefs. My thanks to all those staff involved.

Wishing you all a sunny bank holiday weekend.

Chris Wright

A REQUEST FROM THE HEAD

May I ask for your help please in publicising our Junior School and Nursery Open Morning. This takes place on Thursday 16th May.

Visitors are shown around the school by the Year 6 children and have plenty of opportunity to meet staff and to get a good feel for our school.

Please do pass on details to anyone you know who might like to find out more about our Junior School and Nursery.

We will be posting details of this event on our Facebook page – please do help us to spread the word.

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

You and your family are warmly invited to our Junior School & Nursery Open Morning to meet our pupils and teachers and see the school in action.

On: THURSDAY 16 MAY 2019, from 9.45AM
At: St David's Hall, Castle Street, Hereford, HR1 2NW

9.45am Arrive at St David's Hall, Castle Street, for refreshments with our staff.

10am Head's Address.

10.15am Tours of the school, guided by our pupils.

11am Refreshments in St David's Hall.

If you would like to join us, please contact our Registrar, Mrs Lucy Debenham, on 01432 363511 or email enquiry@herefordcs.com.

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SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN EVENING FOR YEAR 5 PARENTS

Parents of children in Year 5 will have received a letter from Mrs Castanet, the Senior School's Admissions Officer, inviting them to the Senior School's Open Evening for Year 5 parents on 14th May, from 6.30pm. During the evening parents will have the opportunity to meet the Headmaster and members of staff, and have a tour of the Senior School. This will be followed by a drinks reception in the Dining Hall.

For further details, or to confirm your attendance, please contact Mrs Castanet (admissions@herefordcs.com).



NURSERY

We have welcomed three new friends in Nursery this term. Following on from the children's interests during our topic of pets, we have been caring for the birds by making bird feeders. We threaded cheerios onto pipe cleaners and created shapes which are hanging in our garden! During Outdoor Explorers we have been planting our potatoes in our vegetable patch.



YEAR 1

Year 1 have had great fun transforming their classrooms into castles as part of our 'Turret and Tiaras' topic this term. Here you can see our portculis with some fierce looking guards protecting us!



YEAR 5 WORLD FAITHS TRIP

On Wednesday, Year 5 travelled to Birmingham for their World Faiths Trip. We visited the Birmingham Central Mosque in the morning, and then after lunch we paid a visit to the New Life Baptist Church in King's Heath. At the mosque we were shown many aspects of Islam, including ablution, prayer and pilgrimage. The Baptist Church told the children about believer's baptism and the children got to see some of the charitable activities in which the church is involved.



The children excelled themselves in both their respectful attention to their hosts as well as asking some very insightful questions.

THE HCJS BIG BATTERY HUNT

Many, many thanks to all of you for collecting batteries and bringing them into school. It has been a great success. We have a huge box full of old batteries! The box will be collected next week.



The good news is that you can we are continuing the hunt for old batteries. We can have more collections and collections are free!

GAMES DEPARTMENT

If any U11 boys or girls wish to be considered to take part in the Malvern Aquathlon (800m run and a 100m swim), please let Mr Turpin know by Wednesday 8th May. There are limited places.

Tuesday 7th May – Please could 6G and 4J come to school in their school uniform but bring their PE kit with them. This is because of the scheduled class photos.

This week, the U11 girls performed very well at the Moor Park rounders tournament (pictured right), finishing runners up to the hosts. The U11 boys also took part in the Moor Park cricket tournament, playing five matches in damp, chilly conditions. Although we lost all five, it was a good opportunity for everybody to bat, bowl and field.



Also on in Games this week, children in years 3, 4 and 6 have all played cricket. The boys and girls were mixed up and there were some very encouraging signs with bat and ball, some of whom were trying it for the very first time! This will continue throughout the term.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Monday (Reception – Year 6):

Mr Wright spoke about how our attitudes today make a difference to our tomorrows. We talked about how important it was to do one's best, but also how demanding this might feel. A strategy the children might like to employ – 'take a break just don't quit'.



Dear God,

I would like my life to be built on good, strong foundations.

I would like to have a life that I can be proud of.

Help me today to make wise choices, to have the right attitude and to do my best.

Amen.

Tuesday (Reception - 2) & Wednesday (Years 3 - 6): Using the story of Nehemiah, we talked about perseverance, even when it is hard and there are distractions all around us.

Friday (Years 3 - 6): We talked about what it was to be a hero. Mr Wright exhorted everyone to find lots of opportunities during the day and over the weekend to tackle something difficult or to stop and help a situation, and to accompany this with the words "That's what heroes do!"

FROM THE PTA

There is a PTA Committee meeting being held on Tuesday 7th May at 8.45am in the Junior School Library.

Prep Fest tickets will be on sale **next week!** Make sure you have the date saved - Friday 14th June at The Coop, Kingstone.

This year's PTA Summer Fete will be held on **Friday 17th May** from 3.30pm in the Quiet Garden.



Happy birthday this week to...Henry Cobb, Auzzie Lowe, Summer Baillie, Maisie Goodwin & Finlay Webb.

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: [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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