

Issue No 788, Friday 23rd March 2018

AFTER THE HOLIDAYS:

Monday 16th	(No clubs this week)	
	Pupils return	8.40am
	Staff Academic Focus Meeting	4.15pm
Thursday 19th	School Council Meeting, 5B	3.35pm
Saturday 21st	BBC Choir of the Year Finals, Bangor	all day
	Y2–Y4 Swimming Gala, Leisure Pool	3.45-5pm

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:

Monday 23rd	<i>St George's Day</i> (Clubs begin today)	
	Health & Safety Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
	Staff Academic Focus Meeting	4.15pm
Tuesday 24th	Commonwealth Big Lunch, Dining Hall	12-1pm
Wednesday 25th	Y5 World Faiths Trip, Birmingham	all day
	Y6 Rainforest Roadshow, St David's Hall	all day
Thursday 26th	PTA Committee Meeting, No.1 Castle St.	7.30pm
Sunday 29th	UK Chess Challenge Mega Final, Zimmerman Main Hall	all day

The summer term calendar is available on our website from today, and can be accessed [here](#).

Team sheets, recent letters home and a host of other information for parents can be found via links on the Nursery and Junior Parents page on the school website <https://www.herefordcs.com/parents/junior-parents>

FROM THE HEAD

Of course, the Herefordshire Festival has featured in the lives of many of the children this week. Congratulations to all those children who sung in our winning choirs (see overleaf), and also to all of those who have taken part in many different classes. Whilst we recognised all that we could during this morning's assembly, please do email the office (enquiry@herefordcs.com) with details of your child's successes and we will make a point of celebrating these in school at the beginning of next term.

The end of this week has seen the Pre-Prep children resplendent in their Easter Bonnets and excited by the PTA organised Easter Egg Hunt. Meanwhile, children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are looking forward to the PTA disco. Many thanks to all those of you who have been involved in organising these.

REPORTS - This term, we are sending full reports for Years 2, 4 & 6, and progress grades for Years 3 & 5. If you would like to discuss your child's report, please request a meeting using the feedback form which accompanies the report. Year 1, Year 3, Nursery and Reception parents will receive a full report next term.

UNIFORM - It may well be that it is too cold for summer uniform at the start of next term. Please dress your children according to the weather but we do ask that all children are in summer uniform from Monday 30th April.

As a busy term draws to a close, I should like to thank all the school staff who work so hard alongside the children, and indeed all of you for your support throughout the term.

Happy Easter to you all.

Chris Wright.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Monday (Reception - Year 6): Mr Wright talked about the value and importance of patience and of perseverance. We went on to discuss the painting of the Sistine Chapel.

Tuesday (Reception – Year 2): In this week's assembly we considered the parable of the Good Samaritan – Georgia (Year 6) read her modern day version to the children and we talked about what we mean by a modern version and why the character in Georgia's story was the least likely to be the good Samaritan.

Wednesday (Years 3-6): Mr Debenham began the assembly by announcing that he was going to no longer support Ipswich, but move his allegiance to another (dare I say, more successful) team. However, he quickly dismissed this idea and went on to talk about the importance of being true to oneself, even on those occasions when this means not following the crowd. He retold the story of Peter denying Jesus.

Friday (Years 3-6): In assembly today, Mr Wright gave out a plethora of certificates, cups and awards from karate to singing, from chess to netball and football. It was super to celebrate the endeavour and success of the children.



THE CHORISTERS

The Cathedral Choristers, 11 of whom are pupils at the Junior School, have enjoyed an incredibly successful term. They have sung live on BBC Radio 3, performed Bach's Christmas Oratorio, and sang at Buckingham Palace in the presence of HRH The Prince of Wales, alongside Herford Choral Society and the English Chamber Orchestra. You can read more details in the HCCA Newsletter [here](#).

Those of you who visit the Cathedral over the Easter period are bound to hear our Choristers. They are singing throughout Holy Week. You may like to attend the performance of Bach's St John Passion on Tuesday 27 March at 7.30 pm. More details, including how to obtain tickets, are here:

<https://www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/st-john-passion>

SUCCESS FOR HCJS CHOIRS AT THE HEREFORDSHIRE PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

The Year 4 Choir and the Year 5&6 Choir both gave fabulous performances at the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival this week. The adjudicator praised their energy and enthusiasm as well as their excellent singing. Both choirs enjoyed listening to the other schools and were delighted to come away with trophies.



HEREFORDSHIRE WW1 SCHOOLS COMPETITION

Congratulations to those children who entered the Herefordshire WW1 Schools' Competition. Work from many of the children (county-wide) who entered is on display in the Cathedral and in All Saints Church.

RECEPTION

Reception enjoyed a visit from the Police. The children got to try on parts of the uniform, sit in the Police car and ask super questions. Thank you to Mrs Webb for organising the visit!



Reception also enjoyed a busy afternoon making Easter crafts this week. Afterwards the children enjoyed a lovely sunny walk to see the poppies by the Cathedral.



Y1 & Y2 LIBRARY VISIT

On Thursday 15th March Year 1 and 2 visited Hereford library. On the way to the library, the children were able to stop and look at the Weeping Window display at the Cathedral. In the library the children were read some stories by Karen, the Librarian, and also had the opportunity to choose some books to read themselves. The Year 1 children were then taken down into the basement to see where the books were stored and see some of the Victorian arches under the pavement, whereas Year 2 had a surprise visit from Julia Donaldson's 'Highway Rat', who retold this lovely story.



CRAFT CLUB

Craft Club have been busy again demonstrating their skills over a period of 3 weeks, working on a very special Mothers' Day gift. Using buttons, they made an embellished heart shape which was then placed into a lovely box frame. A special keepsake for their mums.



U11 NETBALL TOUR TO SOMERSET: 16TH-17TH MARCH 2018

On Friday 16th March 2018, thirteen Year 6 girls set off for their netball tour in two minibuses. There was lots of excitement due to the sun being out, and the fact that we had never played our first opponent, Queen's College Taunton, before. We arrived at 2.30pm, thanks to Mrs Matthews' navigation, and played our A and B matches to a great standard before tucking into our hot tea - special thanks to the hosts. We travelled just ten minutes down the road to our hotel base in Taunton and got ready for bowling and pizza. Fourteen excited girls, including Miss Larkin, took part in the winner takes all bowling competition. Maddie Teale was crowned champion and took her trophy onwards to Pizza Hut. After filling up on carbohydrates and ice cream we returned to the hotel for a 'nearly' early night. Snow and freezing winds arrived promptly the next morning, much to our horror, but after a full yummy breakfast we travelled onto Millfield Prep. Again, our hosts were very accommodating and after some spirited and close matches, hot lunch and stuffed horse keepsakes we travelled home before the snow could catch us. Many thanks to Mrs Gummerson, Mrs Matthews and Miss Larkin for a very enjoyable tour.



EASTER BONNET PARADE

Today all of the children in Nursery and Pre-Prep took part in our Easter bonnet parade. The children wore the most wonderful hats and the parade around the Quiet Garden was a very colourful occasion. The hat designs are always amazing, with so many different and original designs and much admired by all who attend the parade. This year is Mrs Lord's final Easter bonnet parade and 2L surprised her, with a little help from Mrs Jones and Mrs Moon, by making her an Easter bonnet. The design was based on the Moat and decorated with items that reminded them of her. Thank you to everyone in making this year's Easter bonnet parade one to remember.



YEAR 4 EASTER BISCUITS

As part of our DT Food Technology project Year 4 have investigated the ingredients in biscuits, constructed them and evaluated them by tasting. They all agreed that Food Technology is a very yummy subject!



Year 3 DT- EASTER NESTS

In DT Food Technology Year 3 have made Easter nests from shredded wheat, chocolate and mini eggs. It was a fun project which everybody enjoyed. Year 3 learnt about hygiene, science and Easter through this activity.



ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

On our [Junior School Facebook page](#) we post photographs, films, information and examples of the children's work.

Recent posts include:

- Herefordshire Festival of Performing Arts Champions
- Reception's visit from the police
- Former HCJS pupil Richard Johnson's Gold Cup triumph at Cheltenham Festival last Friday
- Arrangements for school following the snowy weather (yet again!)
- The Girls' U11 Netball Tour to Somerset
- HCJS Colts A and B teams at the Herefordshire Primary Schools' County Football Tournament

GAMES DEPARTMENT

PE and Games will resume on the first day back of the Summer term.

For Games, boys and girls need to wear their white PE kit with tracksuits. Girls can wear their skorts.

Although we are coming to the end of term, there has still been plenty of sporting activities taking place. On Thursday, the Colts A footballers suffered heartbreak at the ISFA South West football regionals. Going into the last game against Paragon, a draw or even a 1 – 0 defeat would have seen us champions and through to the National Finals. Sadly we were beaten 3 – 0 and therefore finished runners up to Paragon on goal difference. Last Saturday, the same footballers finished runners up out of six schools at the Wycliffe tournament whilst the girls dodged the snow on Netball tour in Somerset. On Wednesday, there were some great games of football and netball against Abberley Hall in somewhat better conditions than we have encountered for the majority of the term! The overall results were excellent.

Thank you to all parents for their continued support up and down the country this term, in what has often been awful weather conditions. It is hugely appreciated.

Football

ISFA South West Regionals

HCJS 0 – 0 QEH Bristol

HCJS 1 – 0 Beaudesert (Max P)

HCJS 1 – 0 Wycliffe College (Samuel J)

HCJS 3 – 2 Clifton College (Charlie G x 2, Max P)

HCJS 0 – 3 Paragon

Wycliffe 6s

HCJS 2 – 0 St Johns On The Hill, HCJS 0 – 0 St

Edward's Cheltenham, HCJS 3 – 0 Tockington,

HCJS 1 – 0 Wycliffe, HCJS 0 – 1 Beaudesert.

HCJS Colts A 3 – 1 Abberley Hall A (Charlie, Monty, Own Goal)

HCJS Colts B 2 – 2 Abberley Hall B (Bobby x2)

HCJS Colts C 5 - 3 Abberley Hall C (Jonathan x 2, Logan x 2 , Charlie R)

HCJS Colts D 2 – 1 Abberley Hall D (Finnley x 2)

HCJS Colts E 9 - 0 Abberley Hall E (Leon x 3, Hugo x 3, Thomas B x 2, Thomas W)

HCJS Colts F 0 – 2 Abberley Hall F



Netball

HCJS Colts A 5 – 9 Abberley Hall U11A (Lilia x 4, Zara S)

HCJS Colts B 6 – 6 Abberley Hall B (Poppi x 4, Scarlet M x 2)

HCJS Colts C 0 – 2 Abberley Hall U10A

HCJS Colts D 3 – 0 Abberley Hall U10B (Lola x 3)

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Our online Community Noticeboard is for members of the school community to post messages, events and adverts <https://www.herefordcs.com/parents/junior-parents/community-noticeboard>. If you would like to submit an item for the noticeboard please do so to Mrs Stonehouse at l.stonehouse@herefordcs.com

PTA NEWS: PTA SUMMER BALL REMINDER



AWARDED DURING ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

MERIT CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO: N O'Reilly, B North, O Gilks, N Morley-Wall, R Warner, L Sinclair, L Grahame, Z Sockett, S Skerrett, S Hughes, A Downie, I Andrade, E Windsor-Collins, H Gamble, I Gardiner, N Hanasoge, I Macklin, F Jefferson, M Jones, S Jones, R Morrison, L Vaughan, Hugo Lively, P Matthews, F O'Meara, T Wilson, D Ray, W Cripps, E Buck, S Davies, L Wood, A Creese, N O'Rourke, T Hargraves, E Williams

HEREFORDSHIRE WW1 SCHOOLS COMPETITION CERTIFICATES: M Goodwin, N Morley-Wall, H Storrer, S Jeyanand, W Cripps.

HEREFORDSHIRE FESTIVAL GOLD MEDAL: R Yeo

SWIMMING CERTIFICATE: F Bowley

BEAVER BADGES: Vanessa Holman and Max Fresle-Baillie

CHESS CERTIFICATES: Congratulations to all those who played in this year's Chess Challenge. The competition was fierce and there were some excellent matches, played in a very sporting manner. A particular well done and good luck to the 10 pupils listed below who have qualified for the Mercia Megafinal to be held at the Senior School on Sunday 29th April.

Age	Boys Winner	Girls Winner(s)	Other Qualifiers
U11	Dillan Duke (Overall Winner 19pts)	Lieve Brinkerink	Ralph Warner
U10	Marley Harris	Iris Pizii	Jonathan Darwood
U9	Sam Wright	Amelie Madge	
U8	Stijn Brinkerink	Ellie-May Simcock	

Those who also took part were: Harry Walduck, James Shone, Ben Pinnell, Eleanor Windsor-Collins, Ben Gillett, Coenraad Brinkerink, Adrian Karney and Kajetan Antosik.

LEVEL 3 MELODY BEAR ROSETTE FOR BALLETT: Freya Webb

PURPLE STRIPE KARATE GRADING BELT: Amelie Madge Judo

NETBALL – MOST IMPROVED: ISABEL NORTH (U9), HANNAH KURIAKOSE (U10), ZARA SOCKETT (U11)

NETBALL – PLAYER OF THE SEASON: ELLA JENNINGS (U9), ISABEL ANDRADE (U10), LILIA WOOD (U11)

FOOTBALL – MOST IMPROVED: SAM WRIGHT (U9), THOMAS WILSON (U10), MICHAEL MEADOWS (U11)

FOOTBALL – PLAYER OF THE SEASON: FINLAY HAYES (U9), MONTY JONES (U10), HARRY CORNER (U11)

Happy Birthday this week to...Lilia Wood and Benjamin Prosser

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Games team sheets and fixture arrangements: [Boys fixtures](#) and [Girls fixtures](#)

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