



Huntington Community Primary School Newsletter

March 28th, 2018

Diary Dates

March
29 th INSET day
30 th Spring break begins
April
3 rd Caldby Park Duck Race
16 th School re-opens
19 th Robin Hood play
20 th Y5/6 Maths Roadshow
May
2-4 th Y4 Residential
7 th Bank Holiday
14-18 th Y6 SATs tests
26 th Half-term break
June
4 th School re-opens
11-15 th Y1 phonics week
14 th Class photos
18-22 nd Y5/6 Residential
29 th Sports Day
July
3 rd Class swap day
18 th Y6 Leavers' show
21 st Summer break

Another half-term has flown by, but still the Beast from the East has not finished with us, apparently – so get the sledges ready for the Easter break! In the meantime, here are some highlights from the past few weeks.

Ofsted Inspection

The school continues to be Good was the principal message of our recent Ofsted report, with more detailed findings circulated separately by letter earlier this half-term, and the official report now available on the Ofsted website.

School Council at the new site

Visits to the new school site

Both staff and pupil councillors have visited the new school site to see how work is progressing on our new home. The effort is certainly impressive and the pupils enjoyed learning about the construction industry through a presentation and an extensive viewing of the build in progress.



Books, books, books...

World Book Day, Book Week and the Book Fair all took place in swift succession. The excellent entries to the potato book character competition made it very hard to choose class winners, and everyone who entered received a certificate in recognition of their efforts. Many great costumes were also on show, which was lovely to see. The following week featured classes working together in mixed-age groups (pupils from three different years in each) to produce responses in writing and art to the themes within Anthony Browne's *Into the Forest*, with the wonderful work shared with the school the following week. The few photos below give a brief flavour of the events – much more is available on our Twitter feed.



Book Bloggers

Many thanks to the PTA for continuing to fund the children's online book recommendations – so far this term we have bought books from the *Wimpy Kid* series and the *School for Stars* series, plus *Clover Moon* by Jacqueline Wilson, *Cogheart* by Peter Bunzl and *Bad Dad* by David Walliams. The recommendations blog is on the *School Library* page (*Children* drop-down menu) – log-in is needed to read or contribute to the blog. Well done to the girls for telling us what they would like – come on boys, your turn now!



SPORT

Cross Country

A squad from KS2 enjoyed competing against other schools at a recent cross country event, despite weather that gradually deteriorated into 'very challenging indeed'! A parent reported that the *determination and resilience was truly heartwarming... There were shoes stuck in mud and mud splattered in eyes but they showed real strength of character*. Well done to all who competed, and thanks to the parents who were able to help transport and support them.



KS2 pupils in action

Y3/4 squad: Elliot Jones, Indigo Konstant-Hambling, Abigail Maclaren, Millie Rees, Kaylan Thompson, Louise Wentel Jacob Williams, Ethan Willis

Y5/6 squad: Lottie Broady, Charlie Hughes, Jasmine Johns, Mason Hughes, Liam Malone, Poppy Slater, Tilly Wedderburn, Tom Willis

Football

The girls' team completed their league matches for 2017-18 with a 6 – 0 victory over JH Godwin, followed by a 0-0 draw with Kings' (with the vast majority of the latter spent bombarding the packed Kings' penalty area). However, their season is far from over. Having finished second in their league they now progress to the inaugural Chester Champions Trophy Finals after Easter, competing against five other schools. They also scored a resounding 6-1 victory over Upton Heath in the Chester Cup, progressing to the quarter finals. Good luck for both!

The school team (boys and girls) finished their league programme with a fine 3 – 0 league win over Chester Bluecoat, but were unfortunate to be knocked out of the cup by Overleigh in a closely-fought match.

Netball

Our Y6 netball squad recently took part in a Hi-5 competition at Blacon High School, performing with great credit according to Miss Bayfield, who has coached the girls with Mrs Caldecott.

Squad: Emily Bedford, Emily Brown, Esther Davies, Jasmine Johns, Izzy Owen, Poppy Slater, Nyah Williams



Y5/6 Netball squad

Behaviour Awards

Northgate were the winners of this half-term's House Point competition, securing a non-uniform day. The winners of the KS2 prize for the second half of the spring term are as below – and very well done to the other children whose behaviour has been exemplary.

Y6 – Isobel Evans

Y5 – Molly Bedford

Y4 – Bethany Wilson

Y3 Hazel – Eva Malthouse

Y3 Birch – Amy Roberts

*With best wishes to all of you
for the Easter break
Mr Rose*

