

HCJS Newsletter

Aiming High, Celebrating Success

28th September 2018



A busy start to the year!

It really has been a full on start to the 2018/19 academic year! The dust has just about settled on our recent building work, and we've already had the Meet the Teacher evening, a residential trip for Year 5, The Macmillan cake sale and of course an OFSTED inspection ...Phew! Speaking of OFSTED; my apologies for the 'radio silence' but unfortunately I am very limited in what I can say at this point. I anticipate publication of the report letter sometime in the next week, and I plan to write again in a further newsletter next Friday with my comments at that time.

Turning to the recent 'Meet the Teacher' evening. Many thanks to those of you that took the time and trouble to get in touch, both by email and in person to pass on such positive comments. We took on board the feedback given after last year's event and are glad that it was as well received as it seems to have been.

Year 5 trip to PGL

This week, our Year 5 children have been to Caythorpe Court in Lincolnshire for their PGL Residential trip. They had beautiful weather and a lovely time taking part in lots of different activities such as Raft Building, Climbing, High Ropes, Archery, Rifle Shooting and much more. A huge thank you to the dedicated staff who gave up their own time to accompany our children on this amazing experience. Once again, a big thank you to those of you who got in touch to offer your thanks to us! To be honest, when pupils approach such an 'activity' experience as energetically and enthusiastically as these pupils did, it is a pleasure to be there and doesn't feel too much like work.... well apart from the 'early morning' wake up call anyway. (You know who you are children!)



Sports Day Sales

It seems a long time ago now but thank you to the parents who purchased Rosemary and Tomato plants at Sports Day. We raised £23 towards our Gardening Club funds.

PTA

We have had an urgent plea from the PTA Treasurer, who has had to step down recently. We have two large fundraising events this term, the Quiz night and the Festive Fair and they urgently need someone to volunteer to act as Treasurer with immediate effect please. No experience or qualifications required. If you would like to learn more about this role, please contact the school office and they will put you in touch with Lorraine Durand who can tell you more.

The School Office Post Box

It has been a really busy time recently and on occasions there are large queues at the School Office. Please try pass all forms to the class teacher via your children, the teacher will then pass it on to the office. If you wish to pass something into the office directly and do not wish to speak to Mrs Rogers or Mrs Borchart, please pop the form into the black post box in the reception area. If you need to leave a message for your child's teacher there are 'Message for the Teacher' slips in Reception.

Genes for Jeans

Thank you to everyone who supported our Genes 4 Jeans day last Friday. We raised a fabulous £279.00 for this wonderful charity.

MacMillan Cake Sale

We also had a wonderful time at our MacMillan Cake Sale this morning. A huge thank you to everyone who made cakes and came along to enjoy the morning with us. So far we have counted £270.00 and we sold more cakes in the playground this afternoon. We will let you know the final total in due course.

Key Dates for your Diary

Friday 5th October	Year 3—Fossil Workshop in school
Wednesday 10th October	School Nurse visiting Year 6
Friday 12th October	School Nurses in school—Flu immunisations Harvest Assembly (hosted by Year 4) Parents welcome at 2pm
Tuesday 16th October	HCJS Open Morning :9—11am for Y2 parents HCJS Open Evening 6—8pm for all parents
Wednesday 17th October	Open Books afternoon from 3.25pm to 4pm
Mon 22nd—Fri 26th October	Half term
Wednesday 31st October	Year 6 Trip to Blenheim Palace—details to follow
Friday 2nd November	PTA Quiz night—details to follow

