

# THE JUNIOR TIMES

## CALENDAR THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday 12th	'Question & Answer' session for Reception Parents via Zoom	10.30am
Monday 14th	Individual Pupil Photos, Library <b>(see note under 'School Uniform')</b>	all day
Saturday 19th	PGL trip to Liddington	all day

## LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Monday 21st	Health & Safety Committee Meeting	4pm
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## FROM THE HEAD

I hope your children have enjoyed their first full week at school, and that they and you are getting used to the year's new routines. Please do get in touch with any queries: the School Office or your child's form teacher will likely be your best first ports of call.

Parents in Years 3-6 will know that we are now setting homework via Firefly. Parents may like to look through our Firefly FAQ page (<https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/firefly-faqs-and-ask-a-question>).

Parents can look through frequently asked questions and can also ask a question.

Having returned to school, we are now looking ahead and planning after school clubs, and also this term's Parents' Evenings and Parental Consultations. We will be in touch with parents in due course about these.

Wishing you all a restful weekend!

*Chloe Wright*

## CASTLE HILL HOLIDAY CLUB

This summer has been full of fun at Castle Hill Holiday Club (CHHC), our holiday club for children in Nursery – Year 2. Each week we took part in activities based around an exciting theme, such as, Disney, Fun Fair and Sports. We took part in boat races, kite flying, parachute games and performances too before finishing with a party week!

Further details and booking forms for the October half term holiday club will be sent to parents of children in Nursery – Year 2 shortly. In the meantime, you may like to access the calendar which includes dates of our Castle Hill Holiday Club for the current academic year: <https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/castle-hill-holiday-club/calendar>



## NURSERY

We have had a wonderful week in Nursery playing together and making new friends. We enjoyed a walk around the Castle Green, where we were excited to spot a squirrel. We decided to name him Alvin!



## 4B ENGLISH

4B are currently working on fables. On Thursday morning they enjoyed some drama work, with each group performing a different fable. The other children had to try and guess what the moral of the fable was.



## HCS EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Calling all showjumpers, eventers and dressage riders. If you are interested in competing for the HCS equestrian team during 2020/21 in competitions run by the Nationals Schools Equestrian Association (NSEA), we would be keen to hear from you. You must have your own horse and preferably means to transport it. Competitions for Junior School pupils will probably be local though some are qualifiers for national events.

Please let Mrs Stonehouse (l.stonehouse@herefordcs.com) know your name and the name of your horse by **Friday 18th September** and we will organise registration with the association. Please note that registration runs from September-September, so any riders who were registered last year will need to re-register for the current academic year.

## ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

**Monday (Years 3&4):** Years 3&4 started their day today with assembly (suitably distanced) in the Quiet Garden. We welcomed new children and talked about the importance of each one of us looking out for each other. We also talked about our dreams and our favourite things, as we looked ahead to Wednesday's assembly about Martin Luther King.



**Wednesday (Reception - Year 6):** In his remote assembly, Mr Wright spoke about Martin Luther King, and we watched extracts from his speech of 1963. We spoke about the importance of having a vision of how things might improve - here's to those who dream! The assembly was pre-recorded and can be accessed here: <https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/assemblies>

**Friday (Years 5&6):** We spoke about the new term and how the first week had been. What was different? What was the same? Covid aside, what might we look to improve about school and about our relationships? We also spoke about the importance of having a dream and a vision.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder that on the days in which children come to school in their Games kit, they should do so wearing their **full tracksuit** please.

**Parents of children in Year 2 and Year 5 please note:** due to pupil photos on Monday, children in Year 5 and Year 2 should come to school in their school uniform. They only need to bring their trainers for PE.

## BIRTHDAY CAKES

Whilst children are still welcome to bring in birthday cakes for their form/year group, we ask please that cakes be shop-bought and in individual pieces. Due to Covid regulations, we are unfortunately unable to slice cakes or give out homemade cakes to children. Thank you.



## FROM THE PTA

Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a good week back and settled into the routine. As many of you know, the Autumn Term is normally a very busy one for the PTA but in the current climate we will be looking at our commitments on a term-by-term basis, working closely with the school. Regretfully, I cannot give a list of all the things we can look forward to this term but I will try to keep everyone as up to date as I can through the Junior Times and through class reps.

For new parents, the Junior School PTA has a committee which oversees and organises events and commitments and is made up of committee members and year reps. We ideally have one or two parents from each class/year group to act as reps from Nursery through to Year 6. I am hoping to confirm the list of reps very soon but if you are interested in getting involved in the PTA either as a rep or on the committee then please contact me on [juniortpta@herefordcs.com](mailto:juniortpta@herefordcs.com).

I am pleased to confirm that we are able to run

the Second Hand Uniform Shop and that we can also take uniform donations. If you want to have a look in the Second Hand Uniform Shop please contact the School Office to arrange a time. If you have any uniform that you wish to donate this can be left with the School Office – please bring it in to the front of No. 28, ring the bell and the Office will advise accordingly.

It is hoped that we will be able to have some meetings this term, even if they are virtual, and details will be sent out as soon as they are finalised. I am also very much open to any fundraising/social PTA ideas that you may have in lieu of our traditional events so again please contact me or feel free to make suggestions to your reps.

Thank you and stay safe.

**Beckie Morgan**  
**(Hereford Cathedral Junior School PTA Chair)**