

THE JUNIOR TIMES

CALENDAR

THE WEEK AHEAD

Wednesday 7th Year 3 Parent Consultations 2-5pm

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Friday 16th Governors General Purposes Committee 4pm

FROM THE HEAD

We have all been thinking about Harvest this week: in assemblies and in form time too. Each of the forms have been approaching our theme of Harvest slightly differently. Parents may be interested to see what the children have been getting up to - and I am sure that the children would appreciate this! We have uploaded films and photographs [here](#). Also, as parents will be well aware, we all came to school in our wellies on Thursday!

Earlier this week, I hope all parents would have received our recent COVID-19 update letter. As ever, a copy of this letter and other coronavirus information can be found [here](#). Let's hope for a dry weekend!

Chris Wright



YEAR 5 DRAMA

As part of HCJS Drama curriculum 'Awareness focus', Year 5 were tasked to learn about dementia during September (September is World Alzheimer's Month). The two classes thought about the different symptoms and types of dementia. They then constructed some movements which they associated with the disease and put these to the song, 'Memories' by Maroon Five. The children thought about emotions such as confusion, embarrassment, isolation, and repetition. But the ending of each piece was very much for hope and pointing upwards; hope for a cure and hope that scientists will continue to work on developing drugs to help combat this destructive illness which affects so many families.

Both 5L's and 5B's videos can be found on [Firefly](#).

HARVEST 2020

This year, children across the school have celebrated Harvest in lots of different ways. In addition to our Harvest-focused assemblies, each form/year group have taken part in a Harvest-related activity. You can find all of the Harvest photographs and videos mentioned below on [Firefly](#).

NURSERY

The Nursery children enjoyed printing with wellies. They also used the prints to create the word 'Harvest'.



RECEPTION

Reception enjoyed decorating their own wellies.



YEAR 1

In 1TW's video, the children tell you about their favourite fruit and vegetables.

YEAR 2

2D enjoyed performing their onomatepia poem (2D pictured right).



YEAR 3

3D and 3M joined forces to perform their Harvest prayer.

YEAR 4

In their videos, 4B tell you about how they have been harvesting food at home and about their favourite fruit and vegetables.

You can also watch 4W perform their 'Combine Harvester' dance!

YEAR 5

5L and 5B worked hard to write their own Harvest poems.

YEAR 6

6G enjoyed creating some illustrated letters and 6j wrote their own acrostic poems.

NURSERY

We have been exploring the changes in Autumn this week by collecting leaves and conkers and using them to make marks. On Thursday we enjoyed wearing our Wellies to Nursery in aid of Action Against Hunger.



CERTIFICATE FOR RICHIE!

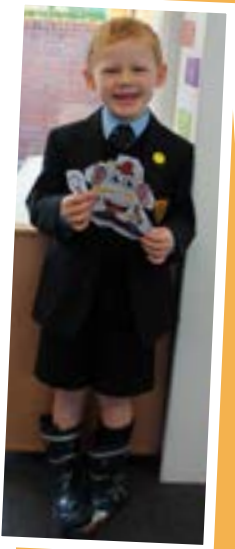
Last year, Mrs Gummerson entered the Year 3 children into an NHS Art Competition. Well done to Richie Wang who won a 'highly commended' certificate for his entry. Richie impressed the judges with his artwork to recognise the different jobs in the NHS.



FROM THE GAMES DEPARTMENT

With the weather changing, it is a good idea to have some extra layers for when we are outside, such as baselayers, leg skins etc. When the weather is wet, children must have a coat for Games.

WEAR YOUR WELLIES TO SCHOOL DAY!



ISC CORONAVIRUS PARENT SURVEY 2020

A reminder that the Independent School Council (ISC) Coronavirus Parent Survey 2020 **survey will be closing on 12th October.**

Details can be found within the email to parents of 22nd September. I would encourage as many families as possible please to complete the survey to help provide us with a clear picture of how our pupils and parents found the remote learning experience. The survey is related to the previous term (Summer term 2020). Please do not complete this survey for a child who started at the school in this (Autumn) term.

Please be assured that all responses are treated in strictest confidence and ISC will only use your answers to perform aggregate analysis for our school and the sector as a whole. No one at HCJS will be able to see individual responses from parents.

The Junior School survey can be accessed here (the Senior School survey can be accessed via a separate link within the email):

<https://dataportal.isc.co.uk/ParentSurvey/Welcome.aspx?SurveyID=586957>

ISC School ID: 54041

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Tuesday (Years 3&4): In our virtual assembly, we talked about Harvest. Each of the classes had been thinking about Harvest and we shared the different activities that each class had been pursuing.

Wednesday (Reception - Year 6): We discussed Pharaoh's Dream and its interpretation. We talked about Joseph and how he came to oversee the redistribution of food from those who had plenty and those who did not. We discussed the Food Bank and [Action Against Hunger](#), tomorrow's nominated charity. You can find the assembly on [Firefly](#).

Dear God,

Please help us to work hard even when times are difficult.

Thank you that we have food to eat and clothes to wear.

Please help us to notice the people who might need a bit of friendship or a smile.

Amen.

FROM THE PTA

As I am sure many of you have anticipated it is with great regret that I confirm that the annual PTA Fireworks Display and the Christmas Bazaar will both be cancelled this term. I know these are both great events and the fireworks evening especially is a good opportunity for parents and children to socialise and catch up in the Autumn term. Hopefully they will be back bigger and better in 2021! If you have anything you wish to raise or discuss with the PTA this year or ideas for alternative socialising or fundraising events please talk to your Year Rep or contact juniortpta@herefordcs.com.



Happy birthday this week to...

Leonora Wood and Ben Evans.

Merits this week to...

Richie Wang, Gracie Holloway, Flora Rogers, Annie Walker (x2), Hannah Whitaker, Scarlett Coleman, Amelia Nicolson, Martha Bozward, Solilia Peppercorn, James Nolan, Henry Hayes, Molly Goodwin, Margot Turner, Jemima Letts, Oliver Cooke, Avi Singh, Beatrix Morgan-Jones and Summer Breeze.

