

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 28th - 9th Week of Term

Pupils return	8.30am
<i>Y1-6 Writing Assessment Day</i>	
Staff Academic Focus Meeting	4.15pm

MARCH

Tuesday 1st

<i>St David's Day</i>	
<i>Y1-6 Writing Assessment Day</i>	
RGS The Grange U9 Football Festival	2pm
U9 A Netball v The Elms (h)	2.30pm
Chorister Instrumental Concert, College Hall	6.45pm

Wednesday 2nd

<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	
School Ash Wednesday Service (Y3-6), Cathedral	8.50am
Colts A&B Netball v The Elms (h)	2.30pm
Colts C Netball v Christ College Brecon (h)	2.30pm
Colts C Football v Christ College Brecon (h)	2.30pm
Colts A&B Football v The Elms (a)	2.45pm

Thursday 3rd

<i>World Book Day</i>	
School Council Meeting, 5B	3.40pm
Instrumental Music Concert, St David's Hall	6.30pm

Friday 4th

Junior School Open Morning	9.45-11.30am
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Saturday 5th

U11A In2 Hockey Tournament, The Elms	2pm
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Sunday 6th

Marches Rugby 7s, Wyeseid	all day
National Prep Schools' U11 Cross Country Championships, Malvern College	10am

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Monday 7th - 10th Week of Term

Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse	all day
Staff Academic Focus Meeting (Writing Moderation)	4.15pm

Tuesday 8th

Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse	all day
RGS The Grange U9 Netball Tournament	1.30pm
U8/9 B&C Netball v The Elms (h)	2.30pm
U8/9 A,B&C Football v The Elms (a)	2.45pm

Wednesday 9th

Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse	all day
Colts A,B,C&D Netball v Monmouth (h)	2.30pm
Colts A,B,C,D&E Football v Monmouth (a)	2.45pm

Thursday 10th

Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Hereford Racecourse	all day
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Friday 11th

Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, Y3,Y4,Y5&Y6 'Choirs Day'	all day
Governors' Finance Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm

Saturday 12th

Chorister Open Morning, College Hall	am
Colts A Hockey v Leominster HC, Bridge St.,Leominster	9am

FROM THE HEAD

Can it really be half term already? This half of term seems to have flown by, although I sense that the staff and pupils are ready for a break.



There has been much excitement amongst the staff this week as we embarked on our digital upskilling training in preparation for September's launch of our exciting and innovative digital strategy. Whenever the staff complete training it is interesting to be on the receiving end for a change, but our pupils should feel reassured that all the emotions that they will sometimes experience in a classroom, including excitement at learning something new, anxiety when they are uncertain of something, the thrill of problem solving and success, were all in evidence. There may also have been a little bit of looking over a neighbour's shoulder to see how they were doing it - although interestingly this was referred to as collaborative learning when it was challenged! There remains much to learn and some homework for many, but the potential to develop the provision we deliver is professionally invigorating.

We have packed in a great deal to a shortened week, including Reception being visited by a Community Police Officer and police car, 3M's excellent class assembly on traditional tales including a Jack and the Beanstalk play, some matches (although the floods put paid to the boys fixtures) and today's City Schools' Football Tournament that has been relocated to higher ground! Thank you to all the staff involved and also to those parents who met with me at the PTA Reps meeting this week. There was some useful feedback and some action points for me to take forward. Amongst all this we have also had six children in for taster days this week, showing the continued interest in our school. If you know of anyone who might want to attend our forthcoming Open Morning on Friday 4th March, please do let me know.

Have a great half term.



ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

On Monday in Pre-Prep assembly Mr Debenham talked about love. However, he was not talking about Valentines Day, but the love that we show each other and God's enduring love for each and every one of us. Using a piece of paper, he showed that when he cut corners from the paper he actually created more corners, rather than less. This is the same as when we show love to one another; the more love we show, the more there is to give.

On Tuesday 3M performed their class assembly to Year 4 and 3D. It was based on the theme of 'Traditional Tales', which Year 3 are currently studying in English. 3M started off with a 'Who Am I?' quiz, where there were three clues given to be able to identify a character from a traditional tale; the last one was quite tricky! They then performed their version of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' with great confidence - nobody in the audience could tell that they were feeling nervous. The assembly ended with Mrs Denny announcing this half terms House Point totals, as well as who had achieved their Bronze, Silver and Gold awards.

On Wednesday our Y5&6 assembly focused on the children's successes of the first half of the term, culminating with the announcement of the house point totals for the term so far. It is the closest competition ever with 6 house points covering the first three houses!

1st Oakeley 2627pts
2nd Matthews 2624pts
3rd Woodall 2621pts
4th Britten 2395pts

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK...

Emmy P, George M, Oliver C, Dewi J, Hywel J and Archie T.



MERITS

Harriet M, Eliza M, Rafe L, Darcey S, Johnny G, Hywel J, Alexander B and Joe F.

NURSERY

It has been a busy week in Nursery. We have continued our topic of food with sorting, sticking and printing activities. We also went on a walk around Castle Green to spot objects beginning with our special sound 'h.' We discovered houses, hedges, hills and holly!



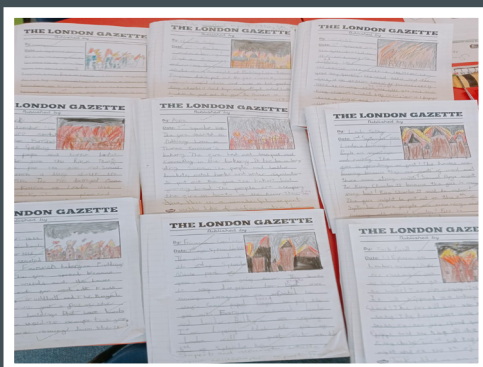
CHORISTERS

The choristers have been busy over this half of term with the Christmas Oratorio. We are looking forward to hearing them over the Easter period including St John Passion. We wish them a well deserved break over half term.



YEAR 2

Year 2 have been enjoying their cross curricular project on the Great Fire of London. This week they have produced a newspaper report, using all of the knowledge and information they have gained during the last few weeks. The newspaper reports were detailed and some were rather dramatic! All pupils read them aloud in the style of a TV newsreader.



ART

Year 2 completed some lovely Chinese dragon masks to celebrate Chinese New Year.



Year 4 constructed working torches using recycled plastic drinks bottles.



RECEPTION

Reception had a very exciting visit from a Police Community Support Officer (Harry) this week. He told them all about his job, they tried on parts of his uniform and they even sat in the police car with the blue lights flashing. The siren was really loud too!



PLAY IN CLASS WEEK

We have had a fabulous number of music performances in class this week. Our talented musicians have treated us to performances on the piano, flute, clarinet, trumpet, drums, guitar, violin, cello, ukulele, recorder, oboe and more! Some of these performers had only started having lessons in September or January and it is incredible to see the improvement already. (Anyone who forgot their instrument or music or who was absent can of course still perform for us after half term.)



FORMER PUPILS' SUCCESS



Congratulations to ex-Junior School pupils Will M-J, Innes J and Jack C who were three of the four crew members who were awarded the prestigious British Rowing Junior Crew of the Year earlier this term. This capped off an incredible season in which they were the only all J16 crew in the country to qualify for the prestigious Henley Regatta. Many congratulations to them all.

SPRING 2022 JUNIOR & NURSERY OPEN MORNING

Friday 4 March, 9.45am

You and your family are warmly invited to our Spring Term Open Morning to meet our pupils and teachers and see the school in action.

At Hereford Cathedral Junior School, you will discover an outstanding education that is tailored to the needs of every child. Our aim is to support and challenge, giving each child the chance to do their best.

Please arrive at St David's Hall at 9.45am for refreshments. The Head's Address will start at 10am, followed by tours of the school, guided by our pupils. If you would like to join us, please contact Mrs Lucy Debenham, Registrar, on 01432 363511 or email enquiry@herefordcs.com.

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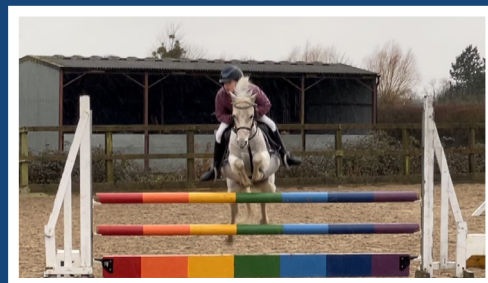
WORLD BOOK DAY

Your children may have told you that in school we are having a Door Decorating Competition and already there is much excitement about which class or form can create the best book door display. Judges from the Senior School have been asked to visit so there is much at stake! In addition, there are two challenges on Firefly which concern furry friends and potatoes, so watch out for those. World Book Day is on 3rd March.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Florence M and Spy on qualifying for the British Showjumping Blue Chip Winter Championships taking place in April. They jumped a brilliant double clear last weekend and placed in the Eskadron Pony Winter Discovery Championship Qualifier. Well done Florence!



EXAMINATION SUCCESS

We are delighted and very proud of all our Y6 pupils who recently sat and passed the 11+ entrance exam for entry to the Senior School. We are also delighted to announce that the following pupils gained awards from the Senior School following scholarship trials:

Jess A - Honorary Sports Scholarship
Florence B - Honorary Sports Scholarship
Freddie C - Music Scholarship
George M - Dean's Academic Scholarship & Music Scholarship
Fearn M - Honorary Sports Scholarship
Gabriel O'R - Honorary Sports Scholarship

Congratulations to all the pupils involved and thank you to all the staff who have been involved in preparing them for these examinations.

CASTLE HILL HOLIDAY CLUB

Bookings are now available for Castle Hill Holiday Club during some of the Easter Holiday [HERE](#) and for our Y3-6 pupils Easter's Cool booking is now open [HERE](#). Book early to avoid disappointment.

COME AND ENJOY THE FUN!

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

EASTER'S COOL

Monday 4 April to Friday 8 April 2022

A fun multi-activity week for pupils at Hereford Cathedral Junior School in Years 3 to 6 full of fun, games and activities, including:

Dodgeball, Craft, Cricket, Zig-zag Rounders, Football, Danish Longball, Footy, Basketball, Treasure Hunt, Bingo, Kingball, Mummification, Playground Games, all things Easter and much more!

Booking form now available on Firefly

This week's Words of the Week are:

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Year 3 - Favourite
Year 4 - Naughty
Year 5 - Existence
Year 6 - Leisure

FORTHCOMING OPEN EVENTS:

Junior School Open Morning Friday 4th March from 9.45-11.30am

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