

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 14th - (11th Week of Term)

<i>British Science Week</i>	<i>all week</i>
Y5 Production Rehearsal, St David's Hall	all day
Y3-6 'Commit to ComplEAT Lunch', Dining Hall	12.15pm
PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale, PTA Uniform Shop	3-4.30pm
Staff Academic Focus Meeting	4.15pm

Tuesday 15th

Senior School 'In Action' Open Morning, Gilbert Library	9-11am
U8/9 A,B&C Netball v The Downs (h)	2.30pm
PTA Committee Meeting, St David's Hall	7.30pm

Wednesday 16th

<i>Deadline for dates to be submitted for Summer Term Calendar</i>	
Y5 Production Rehearsal, St David's Hall	am
4B to 'Lambing Live', Kentchurch Estate	pm
3D Form Assembly, St David's Hall	1pm
Colts A&B Netball v Abberley Hall (a)	2.45pm
Colts A&B Football v King's Hawford (a)	2.45pm

Thursday 17th

Y5 to Science Workshop, Senior School	pm
Reception Stay and Play, The Moat	2pm
Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival Gala Concert, Courtyard	7.30pm

Friday 18th

<i>Red Nose Day</i>	
Y5 Production Technical Rehearsal, St David's Hall	am
4W to 'Lambing Live', Kentchurch Estate	pm
ISFA Colts A Regional Football Tournament, Clifton College	1.30pm
Colts A Hockey v U12 HCS, Hereford Leisure Centre	4pm

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Monday 21st - (12th Week of Term)

<i>Homework Holiday and Reading Week</i>	
Y5 Production Dress Rehearsal to Y3,4&6, St David's Hall	10.45am
Staff Academic Focus Meeting (HCS & HCJS HoDs)	4.15pm
Y5 'Mystery At Magpie Manor' Performance, St David's Hall	7pm

Tuesday 22nd

Y5 'Mystery At Magpie Manor' Performance, St David's Hall	2pm
U8/9 A,B&C Football v King's Hawford (a)	2.45pm
Calendar Planning Meeting, Briscoe Room	5pm
Y5 'Mystery At Magpie Manor' Performance, St David's Hall	7pm

Wednesday 23rd

Y5&6 Choir at Barnado's Choir Competition Finals; Barbican	day
King's Hawford Colts A Football Tournament	2pm
Colts B,C,D&E Football v RGS The Grange (h)	2.30pm

Thursday 24th

U11 In2Hockey Regional Finals, Millfield	all day
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Friday 25th

Nursery Mothers' Day Coffee Morning, Nursery	10.30am
Governors Full Board Committee Meeting, Gilbert Library	3pm

FROM THE HEAD

It has been an extraordinary week of success in the Junior School, both individually and as teams, representing the school. Indeed, it seems that every time I go out on the gate we have children returning with medals draped proudly around their necks!



Our U11 girls started the medal haul with success at the Herefordshire County Hockey Tournament on Saturday, winning all their games to be crowned county champions and progress to the regional finals later this month at Millfield. The weekend's success didn't end there, as our U11 boys and girls took part in the National Prep Schools' Cross Country Championships at Malvern College. All the boys and girls ran incredibly well on a demanding, undulating 2.6km course with approximately 200 other runners in each age group category. When the scores were collated Hereford Cathedral Junior School emerged as the U11 Girls Small Schools' team winners - a fantastic achievement at this national competition.

The U9 girls continued the winning theme when they played at the RGS Worcester U9 Netball Tournament on Tuesday. Having qualified comfortably from the group stages, the girls did it the hard way in the semi-finals and final, winning both games on golden goal. A great result for the girls, but not good for nerves of those parents and staff watching nervously on!

This week has also seen many of our pupils performing at the Herefordshire Festival. There have been a number of medallists and we will be featuring these in next week's Junior Times. Good luck to all our choirs in Years 3-6 who will be performing at the Festival today as well.

May I finish by thanking all the staff who have been involved in preparing for and accompanying the children at these events.

Have a restful weekend.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

On Monday Mr Debenham challenged the Pre-Prep children to guess what was concealed under a blanket on the stage. Different volunteers were able to feel different parts of the object and come to their own conclusion of what the object was. There were a variety of answers, but when revealed all the children were surprised to see a vacuum cleaner. While each of the children had made assumption from feeling the flex, plug, wheel, nozzle or the body of the vacuum, no one had a complete picture. Mr Debenham challenged the Pre-Prep children not to jump to conclusions about people on initial impressions or face value and respect each and every person for who they are and what they contribute, irrespective of race, religion, gender or age.

In assembly on Wednesday and Friday, Mr Debenham talked to the Year 5 and 6 and Year 3 and 4 pupils about different types of fruit. He sought to find out different opinions about different fruits. Some of these were familiar fruits, such as apples, bananas and kiwis, but others were more unusual such as pomegranate, physalis and dragon fruit. He asked the children to consider how they would describe unfamiliar fruit, what part of them they would eat and whether they were prepared to try them? Mr Debenham went on to compare the fruits with everyone in the room and in the wider world; while we may look different, have a different outlook on life, we are all part of God's creation. We need to have respect for others and appreciate each others' differences as well as our similarities.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK...

Freya P.



MERITS

William M, Eva N, Alice M, Dewi J, Harriet M, Joe F, Summer B, Margot T, Isla S, Emily J, Darcey S, Tilly C, Gabriel O'R, Sophia O'L, Annie M, Fearn M, George D and Florence M.

YEAR 6 PSHE

As part of their PSHE topic on 'Living in Britain' Year 6 have been looking at what it means to be British. We have been talking about having a sense of belonging and thought about what it would be like to be a refugee. As part of this discussion we have looked at opposing attitudes towards refugees which was so well illustrated by the poem 'Refugees' By Brian Bilston.

Refugees

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different hand
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers and scroungers
Layabouts and loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut-throats and thieves
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
Go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These are people just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way

(now read from bottom to top)

Brian Bilston

RED NOSE DAY - 18TH MARCH

The children will have the option of dressing in home clothes with the addition of 'Crazy odd socks' for a donation of £1. There will be a cake sale at morning break costing 50p per cake. Cakes will be provided by the School Council but extra donations of cakes are welcome and should be taken to Mrs Wainwright's kitchen. Please clearly label any tins that you wish to be returned with your child's name and form.

CASTLE HILL HOLIDAY CLUB

Castle Hill Holiday Club (our holiday club provision for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils) will be running during the Easter holidays on the following days:

Easter Holiday

Monday 4th April
Tuesday 5th April
Wednesday 6th April
Thursday 7th April
Friday 8th April

Booking forms are now available for parents via the following Firefly [HERE](#). Booking is essential and bookings close on Friday 25th March 2022.

EASTER'S COOL

Bookings are also available for Easter's Cool [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, Footby, Basketball, Treasure Hunt, Bingo, Kingball, Mummification, Playground Games, all things Easter and much more!

Booking form now available on Firefly

CHORISTER OPEN MORNING

Owing to illness in the choir it has been necessary to postpone the Chorister Open Morning from this Saturday to Saturday 26th March. If your daughter or son is interested in finding out about the choir, please find further information about the Chorister Open Morning via <https://www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/chorister-open-morning-2022>.



This week's Words of the Week are:

Year 3 - Grammar
Year 4 - Ordinary
Year 5 - Frequently
Year 6 - Necessary

GAMES DEPARTMENT

The U9 Netball team won the RGS tournament on Tuesday and continue to remain undefeated. They won the group stage beating RGS(2) 2-0, RGS Springfield 6-0, Moor Park 2-0, Kings St Albans 4-0 and drew with Bluecoat 0-0.

They then beat RGS in the semi-final by a golden goal after being 2-2 after extra time. In another tense match they beat Bluecoat by the golden goal in the final after being 4-4 after extra time. The girls improved throughout the tournament and worked exceptionally hard. A great tournament and standard for U9. Well done all.



GAMES DEPARTMENT

The last couple of weeks at school have been some of the most successful times in recent years. Well done to all of those pupils who have taken part in tournaments, events and fixtures. Next week, there are netball fixtures against Abberley Hall and The Downs and football at King's Hawford, whilst on Friday, the Colts A footballers will take part in the ISFA South West Regionals.

On Sunday, our cross country team travelled to Malvern College to take part in the most prestigious running event on the calendar. The course was tough, narrow and wet in places and there were nearly 190 runners in each section. The boys ran well with Finn G finishing a superb 41st, Gabriel 117th and Freddie T 180th. Likewise, the girls were in a strong race with Molly G our best placed finisher in 46th, Florence B 72nd, Freya P 85th and Fearn M 92nd. Such was their team performance that the girls finished 16th out of 47 schools overall and won the small schools category. A fabulous achievement!



The U11 Hockey team won the county tournament at The Elms on Saturday. This was rearranged from before Christmas. They beat The Elms 7-0 with goals from Jess A (4), Molly G (2), Fearn M (1) and The Downs 3-2 with goals from Jess A (3). Some fantastic hockey was played. We are now through to the Regional In2 Hockey Finals at Millfield.



FORMER PUPILS' SUCCESS

Congratulations to former Junior School pupil Ioan O'R who has been part of the HCS debating team who have won through to the national finals of the ESU Mace debating finals. We wish Ioan and the team the best of luck in London at the end of the month.



HEREFORDSHIRE AA CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

If any pupil would like to enter these championships which take place during Easter, then please click on the link below and fill in the entry form: <https://herefordcouriers.files.wordpress.com/2022/03/herefordshire-aa-xc-champs.pdf>

FORTHCOMING OPEN EVENTS:

Play & Discovery (for age 0-3) Wednesday 16th March, HCJS Nursery from 2-3pm.
Reception Stay and Play Thursday 17th March, The Moat from 2-3pm.

ONLINE RESOURCES: CLICK TO FOLLOW LINKS

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[School Calendar](#)

[Games & Match Information](#)

[Boys Team Lists](#)

[Girls Team Lists](#)