

## Issue No 823, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### THE WEEK AHEAD:

<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Y2-Y4 Swimming Gala, Leisure Pool Colts A&B Girls' Netball Tour to Somerset St Patrick's Day	3.45-5pm returns <b>9pm</b>
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Y6 'Theseus & the Minotaur' Workshop, Powell Theatre Staff Academic Focus Meeting (English)	1.30-3.30pm 4.15pm
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	PTA Committee Meeting, Junior School U9 A Football v The Elms (a) U9 A Netball v The Elms (a)	8.45am 2.45pm 2.45pm
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Instrumental Music Concert, St David's Hall 4B Form Assembly, St David's Hall <b>Colts A Netball Masterclass &amp; Tournament, Malvern College</b> Colts A&B Football v Abberley Hall (a) Colts C&D Football v Abberley Hall (h)	6.30pm 1pm <b>1pm</b> 2.30pm 2.30pm
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Herefordshire Primary Schools' County Football Tournament, Wyaside (rescheduled date)</b>	<b>10.30am-4pm</b>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Colts A&B Football Tour to Wiltshire	departs 12.15pm
<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Wycliffe Colts A&B Football Tournament Colts A&B Football Tour to Wiltshire	1.30pm returns 6.15pm

### LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:

<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival Staff Academic Focus Meeting (Maths) Calendar Planning Meeting, Briscoe Room	all day 4.15pm 5.15pm
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival U11 In2Hockey West of England Regional Finals, Millfield U9 A,B&C Netball v King's Hawford (h)	all day all day 2.30pm
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival	all day
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival	all day
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival Nursery Mothers' Day Coffee Morning	all day 10.30am

### FROM THE HEAD

I told all the children in Reception – Year 6 about our 'HCJS 4 Weeks of Kindness' initiative in assembly on Monday. Whilst some year groups will have had more time this week to devote to this than others, please do talk with your children about this. I hope that it will prove to be a fun and impactful focus during this time of Lent.

Today we seem to be celebrating all things red! The Comic Relief cake sale is in full swing as I write. You may wish to watch the following film with your children. Years 3-6 watched this during assembly this morning and Mr Debenham highlighted how much each of us have in common with Farhad and his family:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESxO4968OmA>

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Year 2-4 Swimming Gala tomorrow.

*Chris Wright*



## COMIC RELIEF 2019

There is much excitement in the Junior School today as pupils and staff support Comic Relief by coming to school wearing something red, and buying cakes at this morning's cake sale. Thank you to everyone for participating, and thank you to the parents of the Spring Term School Council for the fantastic donation of cakes! More photos will be published on our [Facebook page](#).



## STAFF NEWS

Parents will be aware that Mrs Roberts is away from school at present, on adoption leave. She has decided not to return to HCJS next term, and so Mr Browning will be continuing with us for the remainder of the academic year.

Mr Zaurin, one of our teaching assistants, will be leaving us towards the end of this term. He is taking up a new post within his field of promotional filming with a company in Cardiff. We wish him well!

## YEAR 4 LAMBING LIVE

Year 4 enjoyed an afternoon on the farm at Kentchurch Estate last week. They initially learnt about all the different types of feed that are needed to keep sheep healthy, and then visited the lambing shed where they saw twin lambs being born and had the opportunity to hold some day old lambs.



## YEAR 5 SENIOR SCHOOL SCIENCE WORKSHOP

As part of Science week, Year 5 visited the Senior School on Tuesday to take part in three different Science workshops. They made slime in Chemistry, investigated circuits in Physics and made observations using microscopes in Biology.





## NURSERY

Spring has arrived in Nursery. We have been excited to plant our first seeds; radish, lettuce, tomato and sunflowers both in Nursery and at Harley Court. We are eagerly awaiting further sprouting on our seed potatoes prior to us planting them in the garden.



## RECEPTION

Some of Reception put on a lovely show for us in the garden this week, with a wonderful rendition of Sing Hosanna & Mary Poppins!



## YEAR 1

Year 1 had great fun doing experiments to discover which material would make the best umbrella for Ted. They had to think about how to make the tests fair and predicted which material they thought would be waterproof first; they then experimented and recorded their results! Year 1 love Science!



## CHORISTER OPEN MORNING

The Chorister Open Morning took place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March in College Hall. The choristers sang an open rehearsal where prospective choristers came and joined in.

The prospective choristers enjoyed a relaxed morning which ended in the Cathedral with the boys standing in the choir singing the hymn that had been practised that morning.



## BATTERY RECYCLING AT HCJS

The Eco Club would like to thank families for their help with the battery recycling initiative so far – we have already managed to collect three full tubs! Please do continue to collect old batteries which can be placed in the battery bins placed around the school. Please be mindful of the safety instructions on the collection boxes.



## GAMES DEPARTMENT

Illness and bad weather has really had an effect on the sporting programme. Last week, a decimated football team worked tirelessly but found the opposition too tough at the ISFA regionals. On Sunday, illness affected the Cross Country squad who took part in the challenging National Prep Schools Cross Country at Malvern College. Those who were able to run performed admirably in races which saw nearly 300 runners in each age group.

This week, the wet weather saw the cancellation of home football matches against Monmouth and the County Schools Football tournament. The football teams that went to Monmouth did brilliantly on their 3G surface. The netball teams all performed very well in their games against Monmouth Girls.

Today our Colts A and B girls are off on netball tour. We hope they have an excellent time.

### Football - ISFA South West Regionals

HCJS 0 – 3 Beaudesert

HCJS 0 – 1 Clifton College

HCJS 0 – 2 Wycliffe

HCJS 0 – 4 Paragon

Monmouth D 3 – 5 HCJS D

The City and Rovers teams played round robin matches. City won all three of their games whilst

Rovers drew one and lost two. Goals were scored by Devon and Jack C.

### Netball

HCJS A 12 – 5 Monmouth A

HCJS B 14 – 4 Monmouth B

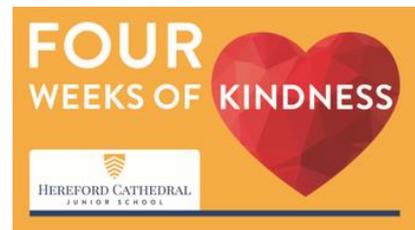
HCJS C 10 – 0 Monmouth C

HCJS D 4 – 0 Monmouth D

HCJS E 3 – 2 Monmouth E

## ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

**Monday (Reception – Year 6):** Mr Wright introduced our HCJS 4 Weeks of Kindness initiative. Each week, the children will have a list of kindness missions to complete. Whilst each year group may approach this differently and some will have more time to spend on it than others, we hope that this initiative proves to be a fun and impactful focus during this time in Lent.



**Tuesday (Reception – Year 2):** Mr Wright told the story of Zechariah and we talked about why we should be kind to each other.

**Wednesday (Years 3 – 6):** In assembly on Wednesday, 5B presented the story of King Midas, who learned that having everything turn to gold was not such a great thing after all. Well done to the audience for joining in with the songs and actions.

**Friday (Years 3 – 6):** Mr Debenham told us about Farhad and we watched the Comic Relief film 'Farhad's story': <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESxO4968OmA>. It seems that each of us have more in common with Farhad and his family than one might first imagine.

## AWARDED IN ASSEMBLIES

### MERITS

T Wilson, G Powell, B Jones, E Yorke, G Holloway, C Bonelle, B Pinnell, G Watts, E Brown, J Gatherer, E Morris, H Gamble, E Legge, A Garlick, N Hanasoge & R Morrison.

### OTHER AWARDS

Honor Watts: Freestyle Dance and Latin Dance certificates - highly commended.

## YOUTUBE SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS.

### This week, Amazon Echo smart speaker ('Alexa') safety

Privacy/safety settings can be managed via the Amazon Alexa app and your Amazon.co.uk account. There are many different settings/preferences for the family of Amazon Echo devices, below are the main ones that are connected to child safety/privacy.



**Enable Kid Skills:** In the UK, Kid Skills are available on all Echo devices. These are add-on capabilities created by third-parties. By default, though, Kids Skills are disabled so you'll have to enable them before installing a Kid Skill. You can either wait for a prompt when you try to enable a Kid Skill or go to Settings from the main menu in the Alexa app, then choose Alexa Account > Kid Skills and toggle the slider from off to on.

**Alexa Explicit filter:** Another parental control available to you is the Explicit Filter for music. This is under Settings > Music > Explicit Filter. If you enable it, bear in mind this will prevent you using TuneIn (listening to non Amazon radio stations) as there's no way to filter out explicit lyrics from radio stations.

**Alexa PIN for purchases:** Alexa can buy things for you from Amazon, and you probably don't want your children discovering this. To prevent them from ordering a Paddington 2 DVD and a giant Toblerone, you can set a PIN that will be requested whenever anyone attempts to order physical or digital products via Alexa. To do this, from the main menu in the Alexa app tap Settings > Alexa Account > Voice Purchasing.

**Turn your Echo Show camera off:** The latest Echo Show includes a touchscreen with a camera for easy video calling. If you're worried about your camera being on when it's not in use, simply turn it off and only turn it on when needed. Simply press the 'Off' button at the top of the Echo show to turn off both the camera and microphone. A red LED light will show that both are disabled for your peace of mind.

**Keep your Echo away from windows and doors:** Placing your Echo away from windows and doors reduces the risk of outsiders hearing your Echo. It also eliminates false alarms of your Echo being triggered by outside voices.

**Review and delete your interactions with Alexa:** Amazon automatically stores all of your Echo's interactions to improve its performance and command accuracy. This can be useful for checking up on what has been said to the Echo(s) by members of the household. For extra privacy, regularly review and delete your communication with Alexa. Here's how to do it:

- Delete specific voice recordings. Go to your 'Settings', then select 'History' in the Alexa App. Drill down for a specific entry, then tap the 'Delete' button.
- Delete all of your voice recordings. Visit [Amazon's content and device management portal](#). Then click the 'Your Devices' tab. Next, select the corresponding button under 'Actions' for your Echo or other Alexa-enabled devices. Next, select 'Manage voice recordings' and click 'Delete'.

**For more help try the Amazon Echo device support page:**

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/help/customer/display.html/ref=hp\\_bc\\_nav?ie=UTF8&nodeId=200127470](https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/help/customer/display.html/ref=hp_bc_nav?ie=UTF8&nodeId=200127470)

## FROM THE PTA

- There is a PTA Reps Meeting on Tuesday 19th March at 8.45am. Please let your Rep know if there is a particular issue you may wish to have raised.
- Junior School Easter Discos – please can you make sure the slips are returned by Monday 25th March. Thank you.

## LOST

In Reception, Chantal's school tracksuit top is missing, it is named.

**Junior Times Archive:** [www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times](http://www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times)

Games team sheets are available via Firefly:

<https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/login/login.aspx?prelogin=https%3a%2f%2fherefordcs.fireflycloud.net%2f>

Junior School photos along with news, events and achievements can be accessed via our Facebook page: [Facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/](https://www.facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/)

Head of the Junior School's Blog: <https://www.herefordcs.com/blog/category/head-of-junior-school>

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