

Issue No 790, Friday 27th April 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 30th

Summer Uniform compulsory from today
Development Plan Focus Meeting

4-5pm

MAY

Wednesday 2nd

Y4 Trip to 'We The Curious', Bristol
Colts B Cricket v Moor Park (h)
Colts A Cricket v Moor Park (a)

all day
2.30pm
2.45pm

Saturday 5th

Y6 Cycling Proficiency, Junior School

9am-3pm

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:

Monday 7th

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 8th

Y5&6 STEM Experience Day, Zimmerman Main Hall

all day

Wednesday 9th

Colts A&B Cricket v The Elms (h)
Colts A&B Rounders v The Elms (a)

2.30pm
2.45pm

Friday 11th

Junior School Open Morning

9.45-11.30am

Saturday 12th

Y6 Cycling Proficiency, Junior School
Maths Outreach Event, Junior School

9am-3pm
10am-12pm

Team sheets, recent letters home and a host of other information for parents can be found via links on the Nursery and Junior Parents page on the school website <https://www.herefordcs.com/parents/junior-parents>

FROM THE DEPUTY HEAD

There has been great excitement in the Junior School this week with events ranging from our Nursery pupils meeting the Countess of Wessex, Y5 visiting the Birmingham Mosque and Gurudwara and even an assembly on Wednesday in which the Deputy Head was shot at by a tribal blowpipe - rest assured it was all part of the Y6 Rainforest Roadshow and fully risk assessed! We also celebrated the Commonwealth with a special lunch on Tuesday including Cypriot chicken souvlaki, Jamaican jerk pork and Kenyan githeri. A big thank you to Mr Boast and his catering team for their hard work on this occasion, and indeed throughout the year. The children have had a truly diverse and wide range of experiences this week, from around the world.

Congratulations to all the swimmers who took part in our swimming gala last Saturday. The standard was extremely high (7 school records broken), but as importantly was the effort and camaraderie shown by all the swimmers, whatever their ability.

Have a restful weekend and don't forget to tune in to BBC1 at 4.10pm on Sunday to see how our Chamber Choir got on in the BBC Junior Choir of the Year semi-final.



ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Monday assembly (Reception to Year 6): There was lots to celebrate! We recognised all those who won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in the Herefordshire Festival. We awarded Swimming Gala Certificates and commended the Chamber Choir for their singing in the BBC Songs of Praise Junior Choir of the Year Competition. Mr Debenham spoke about William Shakespeare (who died 402 years ago today), and about having a lasting effect on others.

Tuesday (Reception – Year 2): Mr Wright spoke about having a lasting effect on others, and the importance of how one's actions make people feel. He told the children how he remembered his father making him feel safe and loved by holding his hand.

Wednesday (Years 3-6): Visiting speaker – Dave Shaw brought the rainforest to life with an entertaining account of his travels through South America. He showed us some extraordinary insects and finished by shooting a balloon held by Mr Debenham with a blowpipe!

Friday (Years 3-6): We discussed all that is unique about each of us, including our finger prints. Mr Wright talked about how we leave finger prints on everything we touch, just as we leave an impression on everyone with whom we interact. He challenged the children to make the most of every interaction today, and to remember that how we act and what we say are pivotal to how others will feel.

YEAR 3 90KG RICE CHALLENGE

This term Mr Wright has set Year 3 children the challenge to sell 90kg of rice. As part of their Humanities and PSHE studies, the children will be learning about where the rice comes from (Malawi), how it is grown, and why we are selling the rice for £3 for a 1kg bag. The £3 is not only supporting the farmers, but it is also helping to pay for clean water, secondary school fees and housing for the farmers and their families. The Kilombero rice is a white rice and is part of the Fair Trade scheme.



The Year 3 children will be selling the rice after their performances of the play 'Hoodwinked', and at the School Fair on the last day of this half of term.

NURSERY

Nursery children have had a very exciting week – they have celebrated St George's Day and the arrival of the new Prince on Monday, and experienced a Royal visit to the Cathedral on Wednesday! The children were so excited when the HRH The Countess of Wessex came over and spoke to them.



HCJS CHORISTERS

Hereford Cathedral Choir were very well received at a foundation visit to St. George's Church, Woolhope, on Sunday 22nd April. The choir sang the Anthem 'Blessed be the God and Father' by 'Wesley' who was a former organist at Hereford Cathedral.

A warm thank you and farewell was also given to Leon this week, as he sang his last service as a chorister on Monday Evensong.

BBC News have also published an article this week about how our Cathedral Choristers are making history – the article can be viewed [here](#).



YEAR 3 SAY THANK YOU

Year 3 were lucky to have a talk about 'The Roman Army' by Mr Daw (Harry and Oliver's grandfather), on the last day of the Spring term. Mr Daw not only showed us a great PowerPoint slideshow, but he also let us inspect some of his metal artefacts and coin collection finds. This week 3W wrote some super 'Thank You' letters to Mr Daw as part of their English work.



YEAR 5 WORLD FAITHS TRIP BIRMINGHAM

The Year 5 World Faiths to Birmingham was an excellent opportunity for the children to experience different cultures and learn about other religions. We were able to sit in the Gurudwara and hear the Sikh scriptures being chanted, as well as go up to the roof and see the beautiful decorations in the dome. At the Central Mosque we were able to hear our host sing the call to prayer from the minaret and then witness the afternoon prayers. All of the children were fantastic ambassadors for the school, not only in their general behaviour but in the respectful silence during these acts of devotion.



BBC SONGS OF PRAISE YOUNG CHOIR OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

With a tremendous sense of excitement and anticipation, the Chamber Choir travelled to North Wales on Saturday to sing in the 'BBC Songs of Praise Young Choir of the Year' competition. The whole adventure began in October when a CD was sent off to the BBC and they were selected from hundreds of choirs to reach the semi-finals of the competition. How proud they were to be chosen!

Upon arrival in Bangor, the children were met with a camera crew capturing the atmosphere and were soon engaged in interviews with BBC's Josy D'Arby, warm ups and sound checks on stage. The youngsters got a real insight to how a TV programme is made and enjoyed meeting presenter Aled Jones. The choir sang a specially arranged four-part version of 'Be Still for the Presence of the Lord' and celebrity choral judges Carrie Grant, Ken Burton and JB Gill remarked upon their "beautiful sound" and "awe inspiring performance". There were some outstanding choirs involved from Kent, South Wales, Hampshire and Jersey and our youngsters enjoyed meeting them and making new friends. The judges had the difficult task of choosing three choirs to go through to the final. Tune in on Sunday at 4.10pm to see how they got on.



COMMONWEALTH BIG LUNCH

HCJS pupils enjoyed a range of foods from around the Commonwealth on Tuesday. On offer in the dining hall was Cypriot souvlaki, Australian beef pie, Indian aubergine curry, and Trinidadian macaroni pie.



RECEPTION'S ROCKETS

Reception really enjoyed junk modelling this week, we made rockets from lots of boxes, tubes, tin foil etc. On Tuesday, we performed in the Pre Prep assembly and counted back from 20 to blast off!



GAMES DEPARTMENT

On Saturday 21st April 2018 the annual Junior swimming gala took place. There were races for all children in Years 2, 3 and 4 and some exceptional swimming was on display. The children were in great spirits and they cheered on and supported one another. New records were set and special congratulations to O. Daw, T. Powell, F. Rogers and A. Walker for setting new records. Thank you to all the children and parents for their attendance and the staff for all of their assistance.

Next week we have our first cricket fixtures against Moor Park, weather permitting! Looking a little further ahead, on Saturday 19th May, there is an U11 Aquathlon at Malvern College. This is a swim followed by a run around the college grounds. If you are in Year 4 – 6 and wish to be considered for selection, please let Mr Turpin know by Friday 4th May. Places are limited though.

CUPS AND TROPHIES: PLEASE RETURN

Please could all cups from Speech Day and all Sports Day cups be returned to the School Office. If you have yet to have your child's name engraved, please ensure this is done before you return the cup, trophy or award. Thank you.



ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

On our [Junior School Facebook page](#) we post photographs, films, information and examples of the children's work. Recent posts include:

- HCJS Open Morning on 11th May
- Our Nursery pupils meeting HRH Countess of Wessex
- Pupils enjoying the Commonwealth Lunch
- BBC Songs of Praise Junior Choir of the Year Competition
- Cathedral Choristers making history
- Mini Maths Marauders event on 12th May

FROM THE PTA

Last chance to buy Summer Ball tickets at the 'Early Bird' price of £60 per person – from 1st May tickets will still be available but at a higher price of £65 per person.

Auction Prizes – The PTA will be hosting an auction at the Ball and any donations of prizes would be very gratefully received. Please email juniortpa@herefordcs.com or speak with your PTA representative.

EVENTS REMINDER – HCJS OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS & MINI MATHS MARAUDERS (OPEN TO ALL)

INDEPENDENT CO-EDUCATIONAL DAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 3-11



**JUNIOR & NURSERY
OPEN MORNING**

FRIDAY 11 MAY
ARRIVE 9.45AM

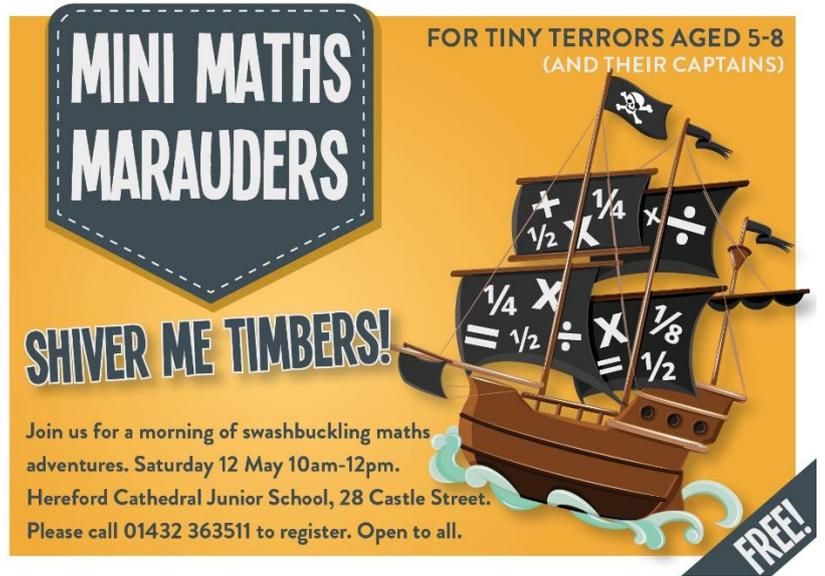
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**HEREFORD
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**MINI MATHS
MARAUDERS**

FOR TINY TERRORS AGED 5-8
(AND THEIR CAPTAINS)



SHIVER ME TIMBERS!

Join us for a morning of swashbuckling maths adventures. Saturday 12 May 10am-12pm.
Hereford Cathedral Junior School, 28 Castle Street.
Please call 01432 363511 to register. Open to all.

FREE!

Please do share these events with anyone you know who may like to come.

AWARDED IN ASSEMBLIES MERITS

H Kuriakose, A Downie, H Gamble, N Hasonage, S Davies, S Haverty, H Brookson, B Prosser, L Grahame, M Teale, Z Sockett, Z Beaumont, L Brinkerink, P Broderick, X Chapman, G Essenhigh, S Johnson, H Martin, B North, S Jeyanand, B Batchelor, L Wood, L Nykamp.

OTHER AWARDS

Aiden O'Connor – skiing medal

Toby Whitehouse – air rifle shooting

Sophia O'Leary - Brownie enrollment certificate and World Traveller badge

Vanessa Holman – certificate for being the flag bearer for Beavers in a St George's Parade.

Hannah Whitaker – Herefordshire Festival gold medal for grade 1 violin (omitted from last week's Junior Times)

Happy Birthday this week to... Oliver Parker, Vanessa Holman, Florence Moseley, Beatrix Morgan-Jones, Clementine Farr & Henry Cobb.

Junior Times Archive: www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times

Games team sheets and fixture arrangements: [Boys fixtures](#) and [Girls fixtures](#)

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