



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Friday 8th February

February	
Friday 8 th	Chinese Year of the Pig Celebrations
Mon 11 th	Forest school – R/Y1/Y2
Tues 12 th	Swimming Years R, 1, 2, 3 & 4
Weds 13 th	We Are Curious Year 3 Trip
Thurs 14 th	Cross Country, Y4 - 6

In this week:

- Extreme Weather
- Magnetism
- Year 5 trip
- Henri Rousseau
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Lost Items (all labelled):

Joseph Dunn – tracksuit top

Dance club T shirts

If anyone would like to buy a Hopelands dance T-shirt, they are available for £12 each and usually take about a week from ordering. Colour options are bright pink, turquoise, purple and cobalt blue, and sizes are S, M, L and XL.

If you're interested, please see Mrs Charlie Coles who can show you the sizes.



For all the latest pictures and weekly activities please follow our Facebook page
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Extreme Weather

Thank you to everyone for your understanding of the school closure last Friday. We do apologise for any inconvenience that this may have caused, ensuring the safety of staff and children was paramount in this decision. We hope you all enjoyed your snowy weekend. The below 'snowman gardeners' were created by our very talented art teacher!



Magnetism

Year 3 have been exploring the force of magnetism this week. They each made a compass and discovered magnetic north. They then used the compass to work out which direction points (N E S W) they would need to take to get back to the classroom from the playground. This is good training for their visit to We The Curious next week just in case they get lost en-route!



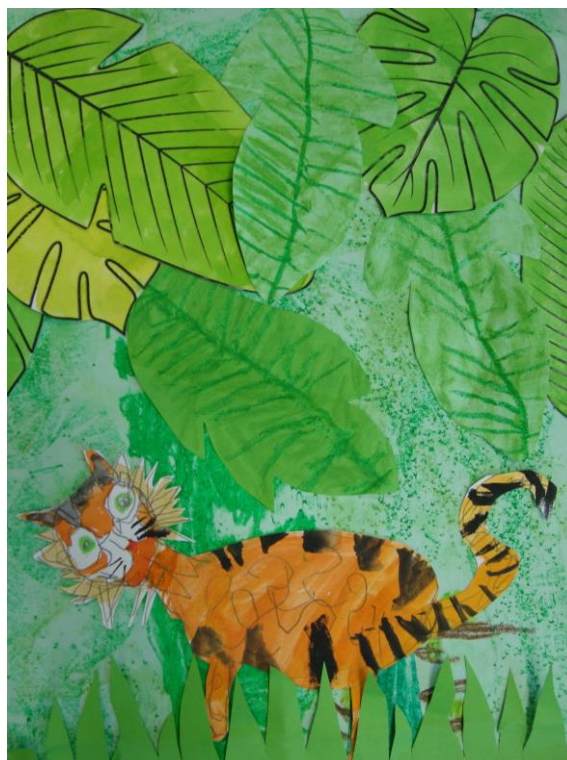
Year 5 trip

Last week Year 5 visited Cheltenham's Orthodox Synagogue as part of their religious studies about Jewish Shabbat. It was an informative trip, which gave them a valuable insight into a different religion. They behaved impeccably, showing great interest and asking sensitive questions.



Art

The children in classes 1 and 2 recently studied the jungle works of Henri Rousseau. They drew and painted a tiger, from either a side or front view, and placed it in their own jungle scene surrounded by foliage. They learnt to mix and apply various shades of green independently. The works are especially impressive as the youngest children was only 4 years old!



Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Lexi Coles who swam in the Dursley Dolphins club championships over 3 weekends in November. The presentation evening was held last Sunday evening and she collected 8 golds in the 9-year-old girls, a bronze in the 12 and under girls 200m breaststroke and was crowned girls 9 and under club champion too!



Maz Safizadeh recently sat his Level 3 Drums exam and passed with a distinction! He scored 94 out of 100 which is super impressive. Well done Max – I look forward to hearing you on stage at a rock gig one day!



If anyone would like to share their child's achievements via the newsletter, please send them into the office.