



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Wednesday 28th February

March	
Thurs 5 th	World Book Day
Fri 6 th	Mock Trials – Y6
Mon 9 th – 13 th	Global Awareness Week
Weds 11 th	Cross Country – Y3/4
Fri 13 th	Sport Relief

In this week:

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Lost Property

Can you please keep an eye out for the following lost items, thank you.

- Pink skirt with polka dots (used for dance)
- Father Christmas hat – Rowan Allen
- School Blazer – Ava Providence

Stamps!

Please remember to keep any used stamps and post them in the letter box on the table in the entrance foyer – these will raise vital funds for the Pied Piper Appeal. Thank you.



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World Book Day – A message from Miss Porter

On Thursday 5th March it is World Book Day! This year, the theme of World Book Day will be detectives and spies. To celebrate, we will be hosting a range of literature related activities throughout the day and asking the children to come dressed up as their favourite detective or spy character. We will be asking the children to bring in £1 to dress up and the money will be collected and donated to our school charity. Costumes do not have to be elaborate as some characters such as Alex Rider or Ruby Redfort just need a prop or two alongside their normal clothes! The children can be as creative as they like when choosing their characters as some like Harry Potter, are known to solve mysteries even if they are not official detectives!

During the day, I shall be setting a literature detective competition around school for the different year groups. The aim of the competition is to work out (using their sleuthing skills!) which character has been in the classroom based on the clues left behind. This could be any character from any genre of book, and I shall make sure it is tailored to the different year groups and the books they have read. There will be prizes for those children who have guessed all the characters correctly.



Sport Relief by Miss Walker

For Sport Relief on Friday 13th March, Year 6 children will be hosting 'Get Moving' activities to match Sport Relief's campaign. We will be asking for a small donation of 20p per activity and hope that the children will enjoy playing their games and there may be some small prizes to be won! If you child wishes to take part can they please bring in some small change to participate, thank you.

To tie in with our Global Awareness Week we are asking children to wear American colours, sporty gear if you like, and we suggest a £1 donation, again for Sport Relief.



Cross Country by Miss Walker

This week Hopelands pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 turned out to run the Cross-Country course at Stratford Park Leisure Centre. In true fighting spirit every one of our runners positively lined up for their race. They cheered and encouraged each other on in gruelling conditions. Despite the hard mile slog each pupil powered through right to the end with a sprint finish. Well done to all the children involved, there were over 330 runners on the day, with over 120 in the Y4/5 boys' race! All our runners should be extremely proud of themselves for representing Hopelands brilliantly. Well done to Amy, who finished 1st in the Year 6 girls' race and goes on to represent Stroud District at Saturday's Primary Cross-Country County Championships 2020. This is an amazing achievement, good luck Amy! As always, thank you to parents for transporting and looking out for all the Hopelands children at a very busy event.



Call for Spare Wallpaper!

Do you have any unwanted rolls or scraps of wallpaper? During Global Awareness week there are going to be lots of creative activities, and one will be inspired by North American community quilting.

Miss White and Hopelands pupils will be aiming to create a whole school quilt made from wallpaper and collaged together by lots of happy helpers.

Every colour, pattern and texture are very welcome! If you have any spare, please bring into school next week. Thank you.



Music

The children had great fun this week in their music lessons, learning chord sequences on ukuleles and practicing ready for a class performance.



Poetry Competition

Children from Year 3 to Year 6 have been asked if they would like to enter the 'Too Good To Go' poetry competition, where they write a poem about food waste. These poems will be judged by UK Food Waste Champion, Ben Elliot, and sustainable food advocate Melissa Hemsley. Here is one of the brilliant entries by Isla in Year 4.

Many people in this world waste food
And I personally think it's quite rude
So, before you put it on your plate
Why don't you first hesitate
Before you commit a terrible sin
And throw almost half in the bin
When we waste food, we create bad changes for the
environment and the climate
Damaging our world, animals and our primates
Plan and store to cut food waste
Love your leftovers like you love your mates
Recycle all your food waste
This is important for our planet, so do it with haste
We feed around a third of the worlds grains to fatten up the
farm animals we eat
If we just ate less animals, wouldn't that be neat
So why not join me in cutting food waste
To share my rhyme just copy and paste

Head Pupils

Congratulations to Sophie Ganderton and Harry Miles who are the Head Pupils for this half term.

Each half term pupils are selected by the teaching staff. When prospective pupils and their parents come to visit Hopelands, the head pupils will take them on a tour of the school answering any questions, providing information about the school and explaining what it is like to attend here.

Well done Sophie & Harry we know you will both be fantastic ambassadors for the school.



Sporting Success!

At the recent Gloucester County swimming championships two pupils from Hopelands received amazing results! The championship was hosted over 4 weekends during January and February in Bristol and GL1.

Amy achieved a phenomenal 11 Golds & 2 Bronze individual medals along with a host of Regional County Qualifying times. On the final day she also won a team gold in the freestyle relay.

Lexi swam in the medley and freestyle relay races; this was the very first time her club, Dursley Dolphins have swum in these championships and they did excellently!

Well done girls we are super proud of you both!

