



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Newsletter 25th September

| September | |
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| 28 th | Heads Tea Party |
| 29 th | Online Safety Day |
| October | |
| 5 th -9 th | Cycle Proficiency – Year 6 |
| 6 th | Flu Immunisations |

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ISC Coronavirus Parent Survey 2020

Please remember to complete the survey which Mrs Bradburn has sent out. Here is the link:

<https://dataportal.isc.co.uk/ParentSurvey/Welcome.aspx?SurveyID=783364>

The deadline for completion is Monday 12th October.

Thank you for your support with this.

Families Gloucestershire Magazine

Due to the current climate this free magazine has been moved online and can be accessed by clicking the below:

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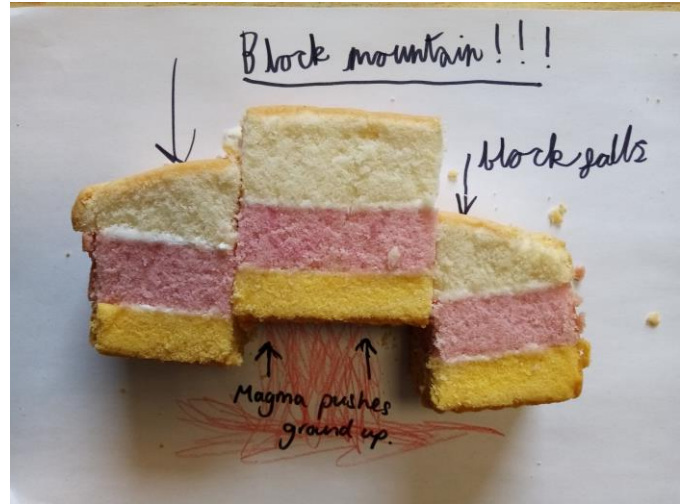
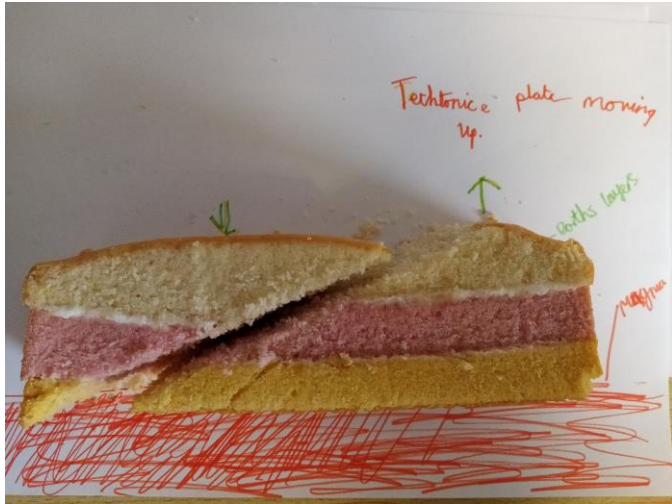
This is a free publication designed for Gloucestershire families and packed full of creative ideas and interesting articles.



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Geography

Last week, in their geography lesson, Year 6 learnt about the different mountain structures by creating them out of cake. Their real life (and edible!) diagrams show how movement below the earth's crust can create different mountain formations. These include Fold mountains, Block mountains, Volcanic mountains, and Dome mountains.



Optical Art by Miss White

In Y6 the pupils are still in the experimental stage, learning what patterns work well and what dynamic twists and shapes give the most successful illusion of movement on a flat piece of paper. By moving away from pencils and towards more fluid drawing media like charcoal and chalk, pupils can push their ideas towards a new level very quickly, as the size of the paper and the chunky nature of the charcoal helps build contrast swiftly and easily. At this early stage of the project the aim is to create an image that is unique and full of fluid motion, and once refined, these images will form the basis of a large 3D sphere. Watch this space for further developments...



Traction Man

Class 2 have been really enjoying reading the 'Traction Man' in class. An action hero who patrols the house saving toys, searching the sink for the lost wreck of the sieve, or rescuing damsels in distress!

The children acted out parts of the Traction Man story and chose a different story scene to create a freeze frame as a group. They then wrote in their books which part they were showing.



Parking

Further to Mrs Bradburn's email earlier this week please can we remind you to park safely and considerately outside school. Due to the complaints received by the Town Council the school entrance has been highlighted to the traffic wardens and they have been here a few times this week. Thank you for your support with this.



Morning School Care

If you require morning school care can you please make sure to book via emailing the office by 2pm the day before. Mrs Coles will be informed of the days she is needed and will be in school to look after any booked in children. The timings remain the same - 7:45am until the start of the school day. If you could please indicate when you will be arriving (roughly) that would be very helpful to us.

Please note you will receive an email back confirming that you have been booked in, if you do not receive this by 5pm please call the school to confirm your space. Thank you.

Flu Vaccine

Letters have been sent home with the children this week regarding the annual flu vaccination. If you have not received yours, please let the office know. The vaccinations are happening in school on Tuesday 6th October. The NHS team will be in full PPE and carry out all Covid secure measures. Please remember to either consent or decline the flu vaccination which can be done by returning the form or completing the online consent form. Thank you.



Friends of Hopelands

Please see the below message from Jenni Bingham, Chair of Friends of Hopelands.

Hi Everyone

I hope that all your children, new and existing, have settled in well to the new school term, what lovely weather we have had. Friends of Hopelands is a PTA whose aim is to organise fun events for the children and raise additional funds for the school. Some committee members have been with us for 6 years but as the children grow up and leave we consequently lose some members, so... why not join us? the committee is fun, we meet every so often for a now socially distanced coffee and discuss any projects we feel we can run for the children. By joining you are by no way obligated to attend every event. It is great to have new ideas being suggested by new members and if you are available to help then that is fantastic.

If you would like to join our band of merry men and women do get in touch with Jenni Bingham 07790 336892

Also, we have new Hopelands rucksacks available to purchase for £15. They have 3 handy compartments including a small front one with detachable pencil case and a water bottle holder at the side. Kamilya sourced these and they are very durable. To order one please get in touch with FOH.

Thank you,
Jenni