## Newsletter $\mathbf{2 0}^{\text {th }}$ November

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| $23^{\text {rd }}$ | House competitions - Football |
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## Morning School Care

Please remember that morning school care needs to be booked via emailing the office by 2 pm the day before. Please also indicate when you will be arriving.

If you have not received an email back confirming that you have been booked in by 5 pm please call the school to confirm your space. Thank you.

In this week:

- Dance
- Snowdon Challenge
- Christmas Competition
- Friends of Hopelands
- Head Teas Party
- Rock Walk
- Art
- Poetry Competition
- Year 4


## Lost Property

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

- Jogging bottoms \& PE jumper - labelled Agnes or Beatrice Morley
- School Coat - labelled William Pilkington

For all the latest pictures and weekly activities please follow our Facebook page @HopelandsPreparatorySchool

## Dance by Mrs Holloway

We have been working with Mickey Mouse and his friends to find formations and patterns to use in our dancing. The children used these formations in their groups to discover how their disco dance would look in the different patterns. There was great creativity shown by all the classes. The next step is to plan how to move from one pattern to another during the dance. We will then capture the dance from different, interesting angles. We are hoping to be able to share this film with you before the end of term.


## Snowdon Mountain Challenge

Our next Sports House Competition is taking place on Wednesday 25th November.

The children will be working in their houses to complete as many mountain climbers as they can within their set time

Please send the children to school in their PE Kit for the day, (no uniform needed), thank you. Pictures to follow!


## Christmas Competition

Stonehouse Town Council are running a festive Christmas competition for all the schools in Stonehouse. They have invited all children from Reception through to Year 6 to decorate a Christmas tree bauble, the template is available here:
https://printables-christmas.com/wp-content/uploads/03/printable-christmas-baubles-christmas-bauble-
templates-happy-holidays-with-christmas-bauble-template-printable.jpg
Each entry needs to have the child's name, age, class, and school name written on the bottom. The closing date is the $8^{\text {th }}$ December. If you would like to send your entries back into school, I will deliver them to the Town Hall. Winners will be decided by the council's Events Group and prizes will be delivered to the school. Good luck!


## Friends of Hopelands

FoH would like to remind everyone to please pay for their Christmas cards by bacs:
Friend of Hopelands
30-98-29
01459545
Ref. surname

Second-hand Uniform - please note that the final date for any of the old-style uniform to be given to Friends of Hopelands is the $4^{\text {th }}$ December. Please either give this to school or to Mrs Etherington. After this date they will no longer be accepting the non-current uniform. Donations for the current uniform will continue to be collected.

## Heads Tea Party

It was the turn of some of the Key Stage 2 children to attend the Heads Tea Party this week. Sausages and cake made for happy children! Invitations have been sent out today to some of the Key Stage 1 children for the next tea party which is taking place on the $30^{\text {th }}$ November.


## Rock Walk by Mr Rousell

Year 3 have been asked by a Petrologist, Dr Sarah Stone, to help rebuild her database. She wanted to discover the bedrock of the local area. A great way to do this is to explore the local buildings and aim to identify the most used stone. Year 3 have found many different types being used for many different jobs; but which is the most common...


## Art by Miss White

Y4 are busy developing revolving 3D stage sets in DT. They are planning to present a paper puppet performance of The Owl \& The Pussycat for our Reception pupils (suitably socially distanced) at the end of term and have been working hard to develop striking scenes using collage materials. They are almost ready to start creating the paper characters and are doing an amazing job!


## Art by Miss White



## Poetry Competition

Following on from National Poetry Day, Miss Porter ran a competition where the children were asked to write a poem with the theme 'Vision'. Miss Porter was incredibly impressed with the quality of the entries and chose a winner from Year 4, 5 and 6. Congratulations to Nadia, Alice and Eva! Miss Porter is looking forward to the entries for her next competition which she will announce next term.


## Poetry Competition



## Year 4 by Mrs Bradburn

In History, Year 4 are studying the Romans. As part of their lesson on Queen Boudicca they were asked to hold events and place them in chronological order to form a human timeline. After some discussion they placed the events on the floor to see if they had accurately depicted the events.


