Hopelands Preparatory School

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Newsletter 27th November

November	
30 th	Heads Tea Party (KS1)
December	
4 th	Christmas Lunch
9 th	Christmas Concert (in house)
10 th	Snowman Day
11 th	First day of Christmas Holidays!

Morning School Care

Please remember that morning school care needs to be booked via emailing the office by 2pm 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 5pm please call the school to confirm your space. Thank you.

Winter

As the weather has turned colder children are welcome to bring in labelled hats and gloves, we always encourage outdoor playtime so want to ensure they are wrapped up warm.



For all the latest pictures

and weekly activities please follow our Facebook page @HopelandsPreparatorySchool

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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
- PE top labelled Orla Scott



Sunday Times League Table by Mrs Bradburn

I am thrilled to give you the great news we received first thing on Monday morning! The Sunday Times League Table Top 100 Prep Schools was published on 22nd November. The ranking in the League Table is based on the aggregated average scaled scores achieved in reading, grammar and mathematics from Key Stage 2 SATs taken by our Year 6 pupils in 2019 and consequently Hopelands Preparatory School has reached a very high ranking of 35! This shows that Hopelands continues to be one of the best schools in England!

I would like to congratulate the children, who always rise to the occasion, and my thanks go to the governors for their solid support, and to all the hardworking staff. Your combined efforts have ensured that our children have flourished in all areas of the curriculum at Hopelands, not just academically but also in sport, ICT, music, drama, languages, the arts, and Early Years. Thanks also go to you all for your ongoing support and vital contribution you have made. It has been a remarkable team effort!

We will continue to do our utmost to provide the best all-round education possible for our children to enjoy at Hopelands Preparatory School! Let us all enjoy our success!

THE SUNDAY TIMES Discover the best schools with our 27th edition of our schools guide. Identifying the 2,000 highest-achieving schools in the UK, ranked by their recent examination results, our fully searchable database allows you to find the top schools near where you live.

Christmas Competition

A reminder that 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-templateshappy-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 8th 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!



Snowdon Challenge by Miss Walker

This terms house challenge involved completing as many mountain climbers as children could in the time given. They worked fantastically in their house teams cheering each other on and working hard. Results will be announced in the celebration assembly next week.





First Aid Champions by Mrs Trebble

Year 5 have been learning about the work of the British Red Cross and have taken part enthusiastically in First Aid discussions during their enrichment lessons. We have considered the power of kindness and they have been set an acts of kindness challenge that hopefully many of you are benefiting from! We have focused on the possible causes, symptoms, personal experiences and the necessary actions to take for an asthma attack, bleeding, and a broken bone.

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed testing out their First Aid skills and knowledge when they were set the task of applying a dressing on their fellow classmate. Rose New and Alice Pipon-Young were the First Aid champions of the day as they showed excellent understanding of the steps of treatment, showed great care in applying the dressing and both put their 'injured' partner at ease with calm explanations of the procedure and comforting words. Well done Year 5!









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Christmas

On Friday 4th December we will be holding our Christmas lunch for the children. Although we are unable to celebrate with the normal roast turkey there will still be Christmas crackers, music, and lots of fun! Please feel free to bring in festive treats in their lunchboxes.



The Christmas post box will be in the foyer from next week so if your child wishes to bring in cards for their friends they can do so. Cards will be taken out and held in the office for 24 hours before being distributed.



Design Technology by Miss Porter

In DT this term, Year 6 have been putting their sewing skills to the test by creating their very own hand-stitched masks! These masks are not only fully functional but fully fabulous with their inner linings and colourful designs! What is even better is that all masks are eco-friendly as they have been made from recycled materials that the Year 6's chose for their designs. It has been quite the 'mask'erade!



Cookery Club

Rocky Road was on the menu for this week's cookery club. Key Stage 1 had great fun making these.









Cookery Club

Whilst their creations are cooking, the children catch up on their homework before tidying away. Here are the Key Stage 2 club.



Remembrance Day

Thank you so much for your generous donations to the Poppy Appeal, our poppy seller was incredibly delighted to let us know that we had raised £141.16 which is brilliant.



Message from PC Mark Weedon

Please see the following message from PC Weedon who is our Schoolbeat Police Officer.

PREVENT have launched a new website for partners to utilise called Act Early. It has been launched by Counter Terrorism Police and is to encourage family and friends of young people to share concerns that a friend or loved one might be vulnerable to radicalisation.

The following link takes you to the Counter Terrorism site explaining Act Early - https://www.counterterrorism.police.uk/actearlypartners/

The following link is embedded on the above link but is here for ease of access to take you directly to Act Early - http://www.actearly.uk/

Thank you.