



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Newsletter 1st October

Dates for your Diary

- October 4th** Bikeability – Year 6
- October 5th** Local Walk – Year 1
- October 11th** Mental Health Morning – Whole School
- October 13th** Fun Run – Whole School
- October 14th** Harvest Festival 2.15-3pm
- October 21st to October 29th** Half Term
- November 12th** Friends of Hopelands Disco
- November 26th** Friends of Hopelands Quiz

In this week:

- Maths
- European Day of Languages
- Hockey
- Mini Modelling Club
- Music
- History
- Mental Health
- Friends of Hopelands

Lost Property

Please look out for the following lost property items, thank you.

- Pink/purple glasses - Florence
- PE Polo Top – Anthony Tiptaft
- School Coat – Arthur Crane
- School Jumper – Arthur Lloyd
- PE Coat – Juniper Cook
- Metal water bottle – Alex Keith

Curriculum Update - Transform Our World Youth Summit by Mrs Boix

There is no doubt that we are living historic times...

All of you are aware that this November, the UK will be hosting the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26), when world leaders will come to Glasgow to make decisions that will directly impact the future of our planet.

I am pleased to share with you that we have signed up to the Youth Summit, organised for schools to get involved in climate learning and the action surrounding COP26, and importantly, for our pupils and young people to know they are not alone in their concern for our planet.

More details will be shared as soon as the full programme is announced.



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

Maths by Mrs Stevenson

Year 5 have been extending their knowledge of place value by comparing and ordering numbers up to 10 million. Given specific criteria such as 'the digit in the ten thousands column must be twice the digit in the hundreds column', the children first wrote 7-digit numbers that fulfilled the criteria and then had to compare their number with those of their classmates and place themselves in ascending or descending order. Once we had mastered that, we added another number and worked out where it would slot in. It was good fun and we got pretty quick by the end!



European Day of Languages by Madame Trebble



The whole school took part in a range of activities to celebrate the rich tapestry of languages and diversity of cultures that coexist in Europe and beyond.

Assembly

In our special European Day of Languages celebration assembly, all pupils said hello in 16 languages! Class 3 took the spotlight as they performed a multilingual song followed by Class 5 who performed a song in Swahili.

Pupils thoroughly enjoyed a quiz which involved guessing the member of staff who was speaking in a foreign language. The languages spoken were Dutch, German, Spanish, Italian, Gujarati and French.

Key Stage 1

The children in Key Stage 1 listened to many ways of saying hello and learnt a greetings song with actions in 6 different languages. Year 2 were also very 'handy' as they decorated a hand with 'hello' in different languages and drew the associated flags.

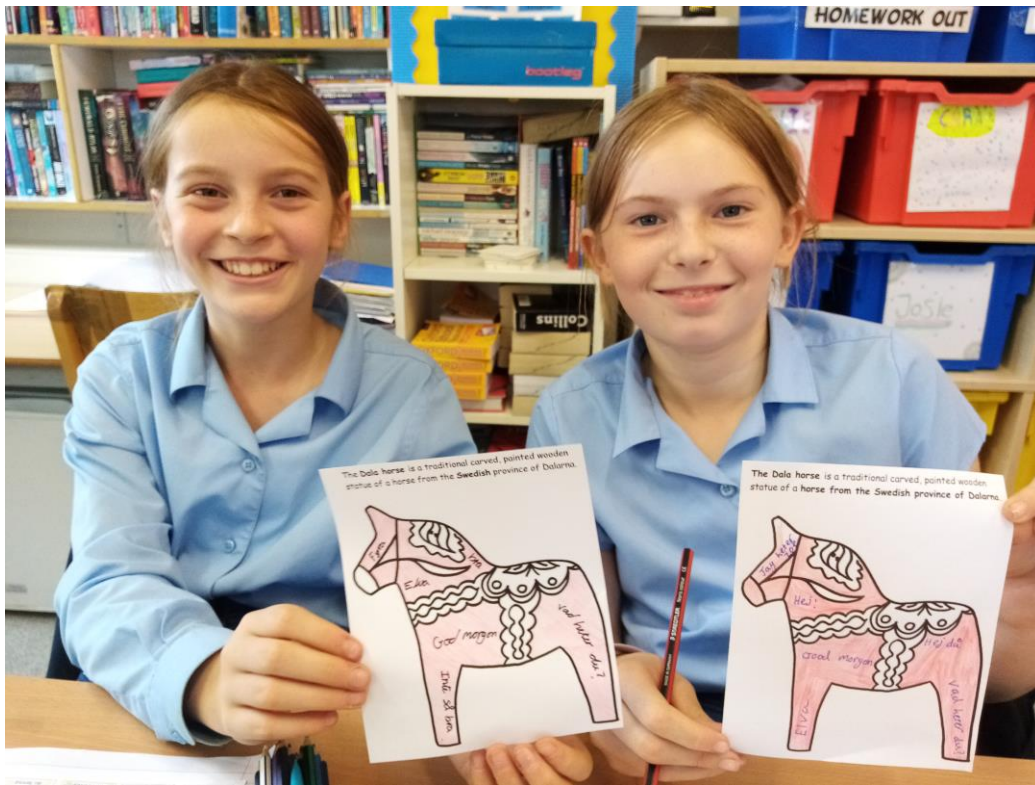


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Key Stage 2



Key Stage 2 pupils had a Swedish taster session which included learning some facts about Sweden, greeting each other, asking each other's name and replying and also saying how we feel. Some year groups learnt about 'Dala Horses' which are traditional, hand-carved, painted wooden horses that are an important Swedish symbol. Some pupils had the chance to decorate a 'Dala Horse' with Swedish words and traditional colours.



Pupil become Teachers!

We are so fortunate to have pupils in the school who can speak other languages and they had their chance to shine as they took centre stage in teaching their classmates. A special shout out goes to the following pupils for sharing their language and especially to Rita who also showed us how to write her language. We were fascinated! A green card is coming your way to the pupils listed below!

Pupil	Language Taught
Rita Chen (Year 2)	Chinese
Joshua Wratten (Year 2)	Turkish
Alan Alenchery (Year 4)	Malayalam
Jayden Su (Year 4)	Chinese
Eva Benson (Year 5)	Nigerian
Hannah Safizadeh (Year 5)	Iranian
Matilda Jones (Year 6)	German

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Science

Class 4 learnt about three famous non-English scientists- Daniel Fahrenheit, Louis Pasteur and Marie Curie. A special mention goes to Beatrix Middlemiss who shared very detailed information on the life of Marie Curie with the class. Merci, Beatrix.

Maths

Year 5 and 6 put their French knowledge to the test as they were set the task of solving mathematical word problems in French. Bon travail!

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Jus de fruits 41,80
Café express ou décafé 41,70
Vin rouge 25€ 42,90

Les Entrées
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Salade de tomates assiette 44
Pâté maison 43,50
Pâté aux champignons et à la crème 44,50
Pâté salade verte 44

Les Pâtes
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Spaghetti bolognese 44
Tagliatelles aux champignons et à la crème 43,80

Q6 Pierre a 10€. Il voudrait des spaghettis et un jus de fruit. A-t-il aussi assez d'argent pour acheter du pâté maison?

① James bought 3 bananas, 4 oranges and 1 apple. How much did he spend all together the bananas are 17p, the oranges 12p and the apples 22p? £1.21

② The car costs 34,000. How much would it cost with 15% off? 28,900

③ Mark and Claire go to London. It costs 139 per night at the hotel. They stay 4 nights. How much does their holiday cost? 556

④ Jessica bought a dog. She bought dog food, a bed and a bowl for 27.65. The dog costs 290. She has 350 how much is left? 23.35

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① 3 bananas 51p, 4 oranges 48p, 1 apple 22p. All together £1.21

② 34,000 - 5100 = 28,900

③ 139 x 4 = 556

④ 350 - 27.65 = 322.35

⑤ 41.70 + 44 + 43.50 + 44.50 + 44 = 217.70

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Geography

Year 6 made Portuguese chocolate salamis.



European Day of Languages by Madame Trebble

Pebble Competition Winners

All of the competition entries were so carefully designed and decorated so a huge well done to everyone who entered. We loved seeing your creative talents in action.

1st Place- Rowan Allen
with her double-sided,
painted stone.
(Finland)



2nd Place-
Holly Smart
(England)



3rd Place-
Eva Benson
(Andorra)



Staff Winner- Mrs Boix (Spain)



'If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart.'

(Nelson Mandela)

Hockey by Mr Kirby

On Wednesday 29th September, the Y5 girls travelled to St Edward's to play their first hockey match and their first fixture since Covid.

We played two 5-a-side matches and switched the girls around at half time. They all played extremely well with Ava and Eva showing they had practised their dribbling and it was Ava's forward play that resulted in one of our goals; something she fully deserved. Rowan quickly learnt what is required when defending and grew stronger as the match progressed. She was often assisted by Hannah who also extinguished many of the opponents attacks as did Imogen who looked to feed Calico in the middle of the pitch. Harriet and Lily looked to spread the play whenever possible, and Layla was able to use one of these through balls to her advantage when she also scored in the first half. Unfortunately, the final scores didn't go our way, but the girls had a great afternoon and thoroughly enjoyed the post-match doughnuts afterwards! I am really pleased with all of them and hope they are ready for their next fixture.



FIMO Mini Modelling Club

The after school mini modelling club has been a huge success with very happy children creating some amazing pieces. The children are really enjoying learning new skills and have been using the clay to create mini models, jewellery, keyrings, and badges. Each week they work to a different theme and these pictures were from the week titled 'Under The Sea'.



FIMO Mini Modelling Club



History By Mrs Powell

Year 1 have been learning about Florence Nightingale in History. They have been learning about who influenced her to go to the Crimea to nurse the poorly soldiers and who didn't want her to go. The children took the parts of Florence, her mother, her father, and Sidney Herbert (the secretary of state for war), to act out their reactions when Florence announced that she wanted to travel to the Crimea.



Music By Mrs Powell

Reception

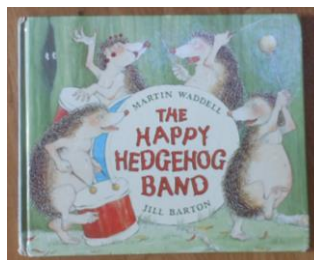
Reception have been learning to play the drum rhythms for the 4 hedgehogs in the story "The Happy Hedgehog Band."

Harry's drum went 'tum tum ti tum'

Helen's drum went 'diddle diddle dum'

Norbet's drum went 'rat a tat tat'

and Billy's drum went 'BOOM!'



The children enjoyed playing along to the story especially when they played a very loud "BOOM" at the end.



Years 1 and 2

Years 1 and 2 have been learning songs about Space. They have listened to 'An Alien Story' and been adding vocal, body percussion and untuned percussion sounds to accompany the story.

They played maracas for the hum of the spaceship, drums for the crash landing, rainmakers for the doors hissing open and a glockenspiel for the aliens walking down the ramp.



Music By Mrs Powell

Year 5

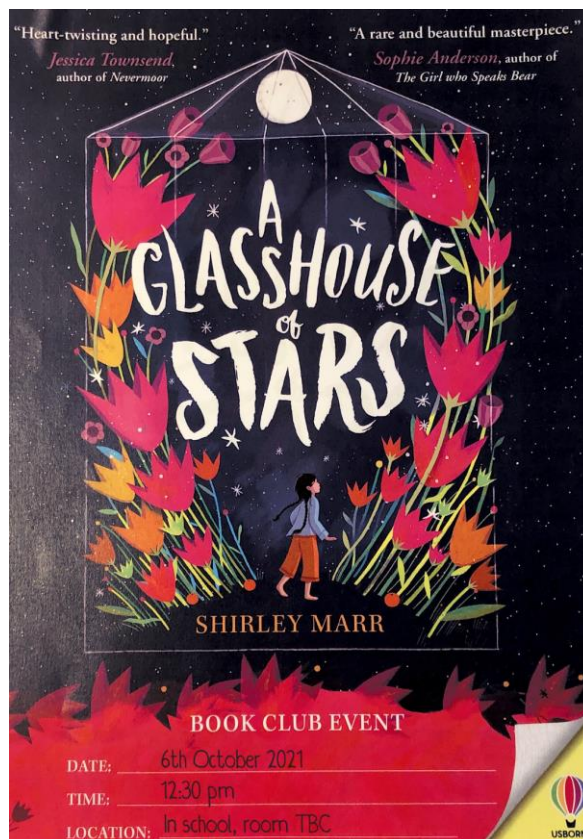
Year 5 have been exploring percussion sounds, as well as using their own instruments to plan and compose a piece of music inspired by the sounds of the Rainforest. They have also been learning to sing some African call and response songs.



BookClub by Mrs Boix

We would like to meet many of our year 5 and 6 pupils at our very first BookClub to enjoy discussing 'A Glasshouse of Stars'. This book tells a powerful story based on Shirley Marr's childhood experience of migration, that explores the importance of kindness, resilience, imagination and love in our lives.

We hope you find stepping into Meixing's shoes as magical and life-affirming as we do!



Mental Health by Miss Cook

The effects of the pandemic can be clearly recognised on children's mental health. It was noted that the number of referrals to children and young people's mental health services between April and June 2021, had increased by 134% since the same period in 2020, from just over 80,000 to 190,000, and up almost 100% from the same three-month period in 2019 (approximately 90,000).

This is a shocking statistic which highlights the importance of early interventions in children's mental health and wellbeing.

This week's mental health activity is bunny breathing. Having a library of tools that children are able to use when they are feeling overwhelmed is important as it is something that they can bring into adulthood.

Bunny breathing – three quick sniffs into the nose and a long exhale out of the mouth. Younger children can also pretend to be a bunny while they are doing this breathing exercise.

Friends of Hopelands by Mrs Bingham

Thank you to everyone who baked and bought cakes on Friday it was a delicious success! The second-hand uniform sale was also a success and thank you to Mrs Etherington for sorting and storing the uniform. We still have some lovely Hopelands rucksacks attractively priced at £15, if you would like one, please contact Kamilya on 07456 283632.

Friends of Hopelands is a parent group that raises additional funds for the school by organising events for the Hopelands children and their families. Popular events have included children's movie and hotdog evenings, parents' quizzes, strawberries and cream for sale at sports day, discounted pantomime tickets as well as regular bake sales and selling of Hopelands bags and second-hand uniform. The money raised is used to buy useful things for the school such as interactive whiteboards or sports equipment.

We have always had band of merry men and women of approximately 12-14 parents but as children move on so do our lovely committee members. We are currently running on just 7 members, and we would love some new volunteers to join the committee and help organise fun activities and events. By joining you are by no means obligated to get involved at every event – perhaps you would like to share with your spouse or partner and help at one event a year? It's also a great way to meet new people if you have recently joined the Hopelands family, and the parents quiz in particular is fun! We meet for coffee occasionally or have a meal out to chat about future ideas and needs.

If you're interested in joining the Friends of Hopelands committee or would like to find out more, please contact our chair, Jenni Bingham: jennibingham01@gmail.com.

