



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Newsletter 14th July

Dates for your Diary

September 6th Return to School!

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Thank You!

Chocolates, doughnuts, brownies, amazing carrot cake, wine and gifts. Thank you to everyone for your kindness and generosity, the staff room has never been so busy!

We wish you all a fantastic summer and look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday 6th September.

WWF

Thank you to everyone who supported Millie and Cara's cake sale last week. Together with money from the sale and some money donated outside of school, a total of £150 has been raised for WWF which is amazing. Well done Millie and Cara, a fantastic achievement!

Lost Property

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

School Tie, shirt, sports shoes & water bottle – Anthony Tiptaft

School Jumper – Arthur Lloyd

PE Jumper – Ava McDougall

PE Tracksuit bottoms & top – Emi Huertas-Mason

School Jumper – Sebby Tangye

School Blazer – Megan How

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Farewell

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children, they all shine with kindness, resilience, courage, and spirit. They have managed lockdown and coped with remote learning in a manner which has made everyone at Hopelands very proud. They will be greatly missed, especially by their buddies who are already crying! We know they will be amazing in the next stage of their education. To the Year 6 children – thank you for all the fun you brought to Hopelands, stay in touch, and make sure you come back and visit us!

We are also saying goodbye to Mrs B, Mrs Elmore, and Miss Hurley.

Mrs B – thank you for all your years of dedication at Hopelands; you have left a school full of vibrancy, character, love and many memories! We hope all wish you the happiest of retirements, enjoy your swimming, travelling and walking Otzie, we will miss you! Please stay in touch with us and don't become a stranger. We would love to hear what you are up to.



Mrs Elmore – a ray of sunshine who always looks impeccable! Smart dresses and an even smarter mind who makes the hardest maths equations fun.

Good luck for your studies, we know you will pass with flying colours. Thank you for always being supportive and caring – to both staff and the children. Come back soon!

Miss Hurley – our very own CBeebies presenter! The children adore you! You are so much fun in Reception; your energy and positivity radiate through, and you can always hear the reception children laughing. We wish you all the best for the future and thank you for being such a brilliant part of Hopelands.



Barett's Bloomers

Year 5 have created the most stunning example of successful teamwork. Using acrylic paint (a tricky medium in this heat!), they worked together tirelessly to create a bold and colourful banner for Mrs Barrett's Garden. Drawing from direct observation, they drew the plants and flowers they could see in the garden, returning to the classroom afterwards. Working together on composition, the Y5's sketched out their ideas and over a period of only 4 weeks they created a beautiful example of botanical artwork. WOW!

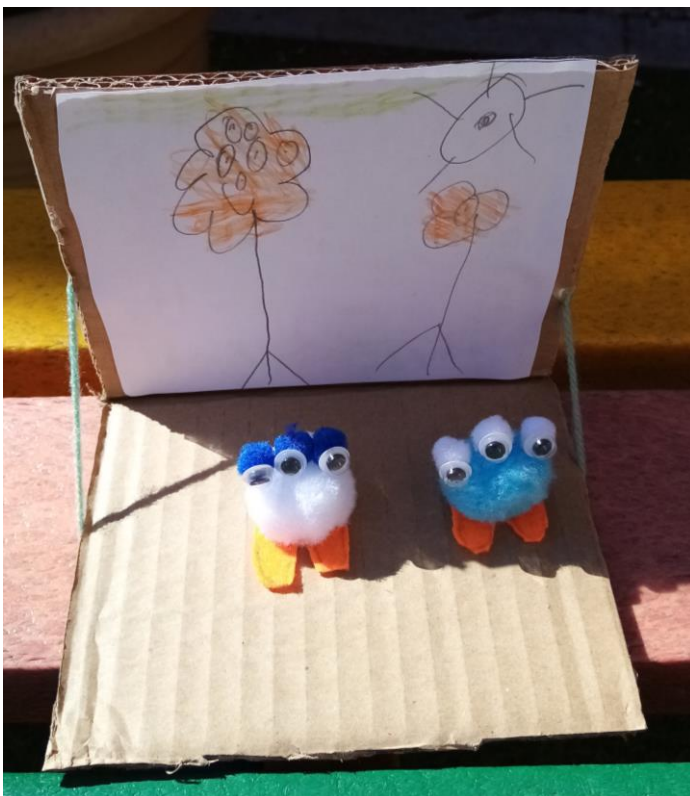


Barrett's Bloomers



Science by Mrs Stevenson

We rounded off a fantastic year of science by having a super creative lesson making alien invertebrates. We thought about what adaptation they would need, and we finished by drawing the habitat in which they live. The children loved the lesson and applied their science knowledge to the task. Well done Year 2!



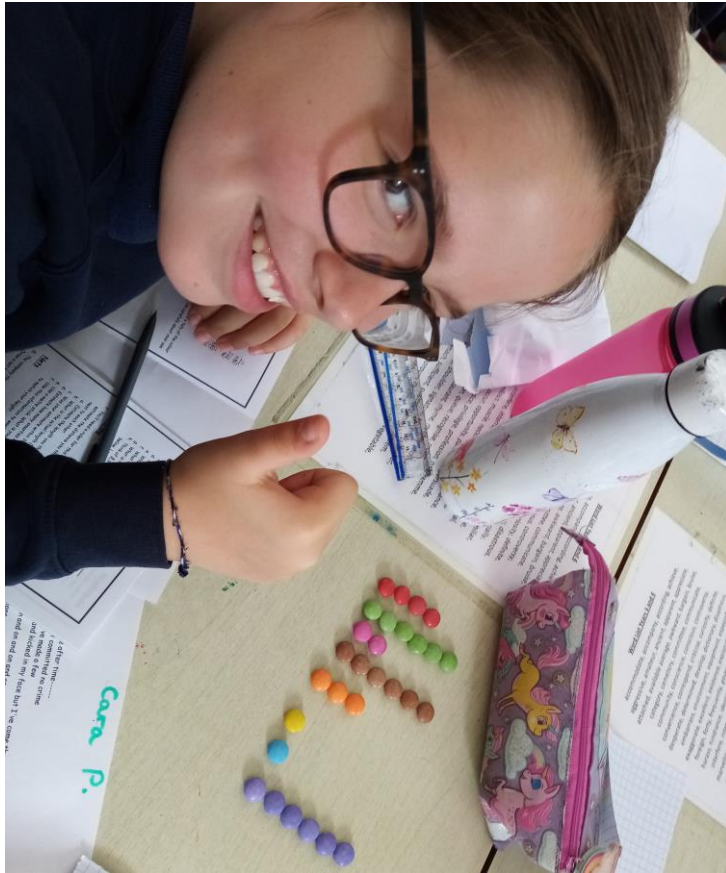
Art by Miss White

Teamwork makes the dream work! Y3 and Y4 worked together WONDERFULLY to create a rich and complex design on a paper kimono (that was actually bigger than many of the pupils!). Using traditional printmaking methods, they made their own printing plates, discussed composition and patterns, and represented their ideas with a fabulous sense of sharing and a common purpose. Ultimately, they all wanted to create a beautiful piece of artwork and they did!



Maths by Mrs Elmore

What excitement for Year 6 on Wednesday opening an envelope to find a tube of Smarties! But alas, it was not simply a treat to eat. For their final maths lesson with Mrs Elmore, they had to estimate then count the number of smarties in their tube. Following that was an analysis of the colours (obviously recorded as fractions) illustrated using a tally and bar graph. Some children were very creative and demonstrated this using their concrete materials; other sorted their Smarties in height order as well as making symmetrical patterns. Well done Year 6!



Maths by Mrs Elmore

Year 3 and 4 completed some memory training tasks on Wednesday. Developing teamwork, leadership and communication skills, the children worked incredibly hard to successfully recreate a picture of shapes and numbers by running to a specific point, looking at the picture, remembering an element of that picture then communicating it with their team to redraw the element. I was very impressed with the improved descriptive language, the adjustments made to teamwork and the turn-taking involved. Afterwards, the children reflected positively on their success and were able to articulate how they could improve if they were to repeat the task.



Sports Update by Mr Kirby

House Cricket. Well done to everyone in Y3-Y6 who competed in House Cricket. There were some very tight matches including the final ball of the final game in Year 5 which must be up there with the most dramatic finishes I have seen in some time. If you get the chance, ask the girls if they can remember it!

Y3/4 Fine 1st

Dahl 2nd

Rowling 3rd

Y5 Dahl 1st

Fine 2nd

Rowling 3rd

Y6 Fine 1st

Rowling 2nd

Dahl 3rd

OVERALL- Fine 1st, Dahl 2nd, Rowling 3rd



District Athletics- At the time of print, I am still awaiting the results but over the past two weeks, Hopelands have been competing against 15 other schools in long jump, throwing the cricket ball, sprints and relays. Children were selected based on their performance in PE lessons and the pupils did extremely well. It is unfair to single anyone out, but I feel I must congratulate Eva and Hannah for winning their 75m sprint heats and for Alice for qualifying for the final in her 75m sprint. Isla, Josh and Ethan all ran out of year group (competing against older children) and never looked out of place. Very well done to everyone who took part (and to the parents for their commitment in spectating!!)



School Uniform

Our school uniform supplier, Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists, have asked us to share the following information with our parents:

At Monkhouse we now have the following in place to make ordering easier:

- **Brand new size guide videos**

These guides show parents the best way to measure their child at home to ensure they purchase the correct size for their new garment.

- **Great early stock levels**

Our warehouses are stocked up and ready for parents to start ordering now.

- **Money saving offers**

To help parents save extra money when shopping with us, we've set up some great deals and offers for them to benefit from when they shop in July.

Please don't forget to top-up your child's uniform for September. We have added extra features to our website to help you shop early with confidence and avoid the August rush.

