



# Hopelands Preparatory School

38/40 Regent Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2AD

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

January	
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming – R/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4  Year 5 trip to Cheltenham Synagogue
Weds 30 <sup>th</sup>	Netball Festival – Year 6 girls
February	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Chinese Year of the Pig Celebrations
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country - Tewkesbury

### In this week:

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- A Rare Find!
- Works of Picasso
- Well done Amy!
- The Pied Piper Appeal

### Lost Items (all labelled):

Joseph Dunn – tracksuit top

### A plea from Mrs Barrett!

Mrs Barrett would like to send a reminder for all children to have an art apron in school. She is more than happy for it to be a clean shirt from a family member or even from the charity shop!

They do many adventurous things during their lessons using PVA, paint, inks etc which will ruin their clothing so do need some protection from this.

If they bring it in at the start of term, they can leave it in school until the end so that it will be ready for their lessons.

Thank you.



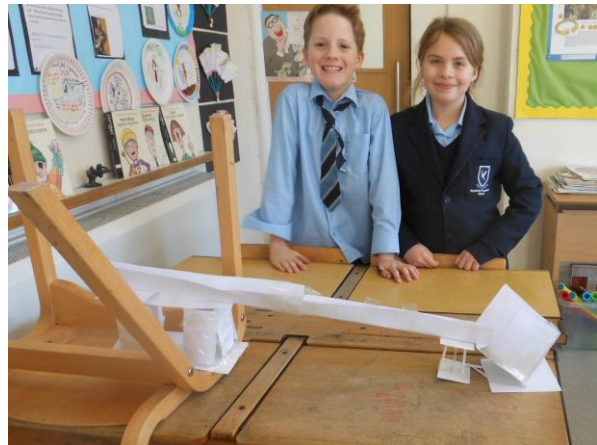
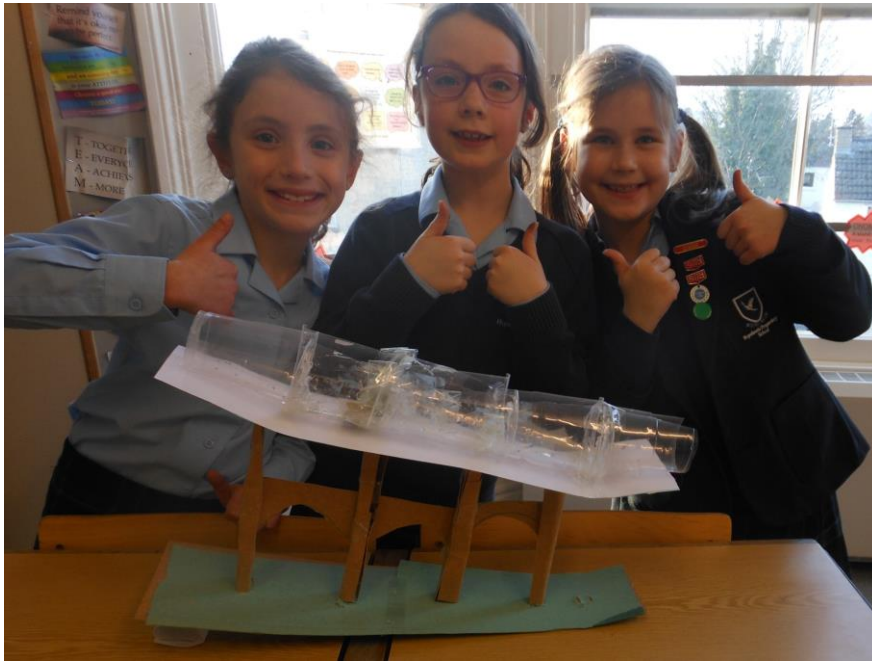
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## Year 4

Year 4 were tasked to construct aqueducts this week. Here is what the 'The Deep Sea Slugs' (also known as Michael, Ruskie & Eva!) said:

*In Year 4 we were studying Aqueducts in our history lesson. Aqueducts are very long. Almost as long as the Great Wall of China. They carried fresh water for the Roman citizens to drink. The aqueduct has two layers of water and takes 10 years to build.*

Great building Year 4!



## A Rare Find!

The children were given an amazing insight into how wasps live last week. A huge thank you to Mrs Allen who found the wasps nest in her loft and managed to preserve it without using any chemicals, so that it remained intact. A special dissection club was held where all the children got to see the wasp's nest being carefully taken apart. They found larvae at different stages of development and they were able to look at wings and other parts of the nest using the microscopes.





## Works of Picasso

Inspired by Picasso the children sketched still life pictures of guitars which they then translated into a cubist guitar design. They mixed tints and shades of blue to complete the picture. These are currently on display in the bay window at the front of school, please take a look.



## Well Done Amy!

Congratulations to Amy Jones who swam last weekend at the Gloucestershire County Championship, at Hen-grove park in Bristol. She got Gold in the 50m free and 50m fly, Bronze in the 200m free and placed in the 50 backstroke 10/11 age group finals. We are super proud of your achievements Amy!



## The Pied Piper Appeal

This week we were visited by The Pied Piper Appeal, a fantastic local charity who make a real difference to the lives of sick and disabled children in the county. The visit was arranged by Millie in Year 3 who has been amazing at raising money and thinking of ideas of how we can help support such a worthwhile cause, well done Millie!

