



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Newsletter 2nd October

October	
5 th - 9 th	Cycle Proficiency – Year 6
6 th	Flu Immunisations
12 th	Head's Tea Party – KS2
17 th	Grammar School Test

In this week:

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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.

School Uniform

Some children have been wearing their PE sweatshirts rather than their school jumpers to school, please remember that these are only to be worn for PE lessons.

As the weather is getting colder please ensure all coats worn are the school uniform coats, thank you.

A full uniform list is available on the website:

<https://hopelands.org.uk/school-care-and-clubs-2/school-uniform-3/>

We have been working with School Togs to introduce a smaller length of PE jogging bottoms for the younger children, we are pleased to say these will be available in store after October half term.

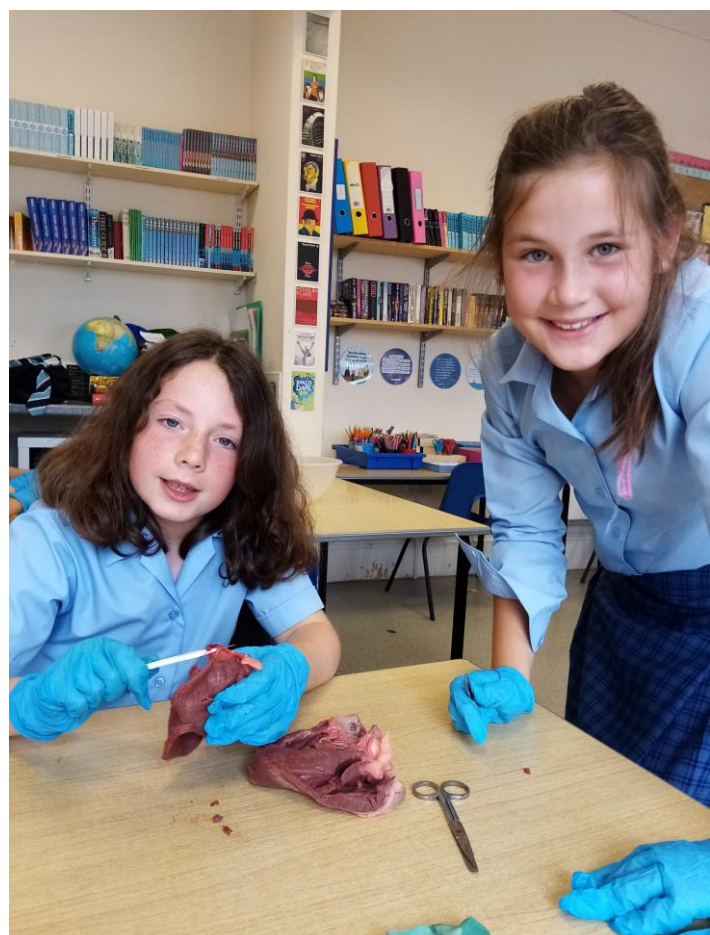


For all the latest pictures and weekly activities please follow our Facebook page @HopelandsPreparatorySchool

Science by Mrs Boix

Year 6 children have been learning about the circulatory system in science this term. On Tuesday they all experienced hands-on learning dissecting a pig's heart. Not only did they enjoy the practical experience, but they also compared their diagrams, pictures and models to a real specimen. They were only disappointed at the end of the lesson as they were not allowed to take 'bits' home as some desperately wanted!

It is always a real pleasure for me to see how some children overcome the fears of dissecting organs, which not only means personal growth but great preparation for their secondary schools about to come. Thank you for your continued support!



Kandinsky

Class 2 have been studying the artist Wassily Kandinsky, who was a Russian-born painter. He was a leader in avant-garde art and one of the founders of pure abstraction in painting in the early 20th century. Children are learning to be expressive and understand the importance of colour and shape as they create their own compositions with a focus on bold colour, dynamic shapes and using their imaginations to create vibrant and unique visual stories.



Kandinsky



Staff Postcards by Mrs Boix



Dear Data,
 This week, members of staff, inspired by information designers Lupi and Posaver, have been collecting and hand drawing their use of hand sanitiser. Each of them interpreted their theme individually, and they sent their postcards. Here are some examples...

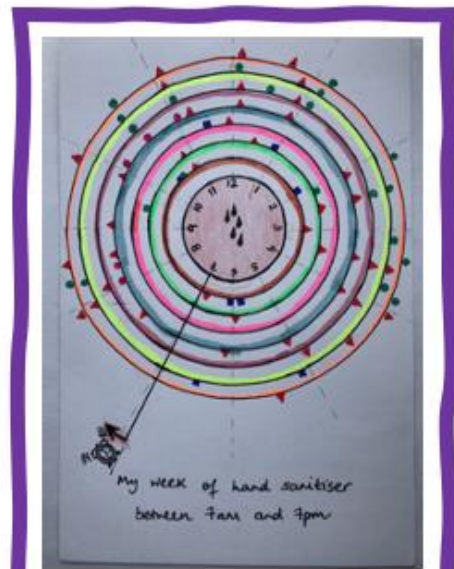
WEEK ONE...

Which days did I use it the most often?
 Which days did I use it the least?
 I wonder why the amount of times I used it each day (was) so much?

Key: ... This key represents the number of times in each day over 7 days I used my hand sanitiser!

Key:
 ■ Monday
 ■ Tuesday
 ■ Wednesday
 ■ Thursday
 ■ Friday
 ■ Saturday
 ■ Sunday

♥ ~ hand sanitiser
 ☺ ~ time of day
 ↑ morning
 ↓ afternoon



STAY SAFE

How MANY TIMES A DAY I USE HAND SANITISER IN 2 WEEKS.

KEY:

MONDAY
 TUESDAY
 WEDNESDAY
 THURSDAY
 FRIDAY
 SATURDAY
 SUNDAY

○ = 2 TIMES
 ◐ = 1 TIME

By MRS C LORD :)

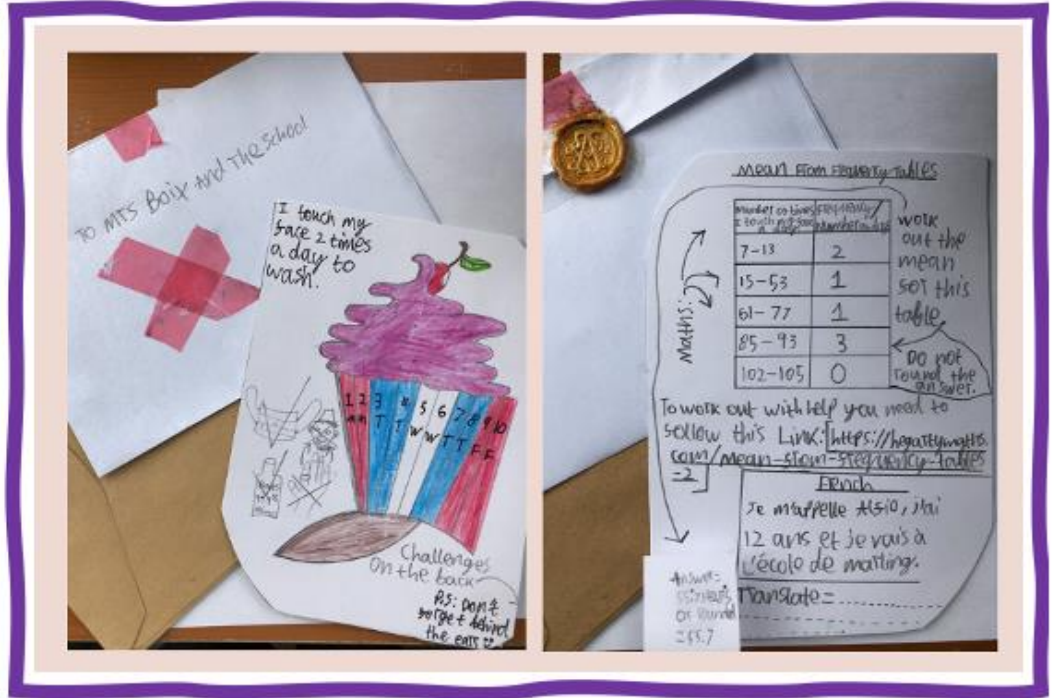
At work ●
 Out and about ■
 From my bag ▲

Nice smell -
 Fast-drying =
 Runny consistency -
 Leaves sticky residue -

Day 1 (Friday)
 Day 2 (Saturday)
 Day 3 (Sunday)
 Day 4 (Monday)
 Day 5 (Tuesday)
 Day 6 (Wednesday)
 Day 7 (Thursday)

Staff Postcards by Mrs Boix

Please feel free to join in this project and send your postcards to Mrs Boix. The theme this week is 'touching your face'... A former pupil has made my day by sending in his postcard. Thank you, Alfie!



Creative Club

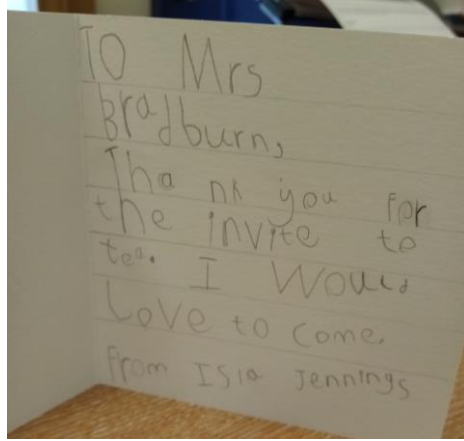
After school on a Tuesday there is always a hive of activity and a buzz of excitement in Class 2. The children have great fun experimenting, creating, and playing in Creative Club. Last week they discovered the magic of rainbow rice!



Head's Tea Party

Receiving an invite to the 'Head's Tea Party' is a highlight of being a pupil at Hopelands. This coveted and popular invitation produces great excitement. All invitees must RSVP, as you can see by Isla's lovely card below. The first one of the term was held earlier this week and was a real success. Seeing them all arrive slightly nervous and then listening to the laughter and funny conversations makes this a wonderful experience.

Please watch out for your child to bring home their invitation, we have planned them throughout the school year to ensure every child is included.



ISC Coronavirus Parent Survey 2020 by Mrs Jones

Thank you very much to those parents who have already completed the ISI Covid-19 Survey. Please can I urge as many as possible to complete the 10-minute survey at:

<https://dataportal.isc.co.uk/ParentSurvey/Welcome.aspx?SurveyID=783364>

We are keen to boost our school's response which to date is 27 completed responses from parents. Please be aware that if we only receive a small number of responses, we will not be able to receive Hopelands individual feedback from ISI. Your feedback is very important to us as we continuously strive to improve what we do.

ISI have also received feedback from parents who encountered an error page when completing the survey. Parents are likely to encounter this when they timeout after spending more than 10 minutes on one page. Please complete the survey in one sitting and spend no more than 10 minutes on one screen.

Thank you.

Friends of Hopelands – Message from Jenni Bingham

With Christmas nearer than we realise, I have started some Christmas shopping. For those of you who choose to shop online please register with easy fundraising. You still shop online in the usual way and a percentage will be donated to Friends of Hopelands. Although we currently cannot have discos and movie nights, we can still raise funds for future fun events.

We have registered Friends of Hopelands - Stonehouse with #easyfundraising, which means over 4,000 shops and sites will now donate to us for FREE every time you use #easyfundraising to shop with them.

These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it is completely FREE and does not take long.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hopelands/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=gs-f1

Christmas Cards

As in previous years Friends of Hopelands have arranged for the children to design their own Christmas cards. In the children's bags you will find an A4 design form. The children draw a design on the reverse of the form and parents can choose what to order by filling out the order form and then returning it to school.

Please ensure to follow the handy tips as printed in the design instructions.

Due to the current climate and drop off times being staggered there will be a box by the school front entrance for you to return your designs and order forms in an envelope or zip lock bag. Payment is to be made by BACS:

Sort code 309829

Ac 01459545

Friends of Hopelands

Reference: Your surname and class

The company offers cards, stickers, magnets, gift wrap and keyrings! What a lovely gift for relatives and friends alike from your child.

Please return to school no later than Tuesday 20th October as we need to send off before half term to meet the deadline.

Enjoy designing!

Friends of Hopelands

Thank you,

Jenni