



Hopelands Preparatory School

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Dates for your Diary

May 3 rd	Bank Holiday
May 10 th	Heads Tea Party
May 13 th	PC Weedon visit for Year 6
May 14 th	Gloucestershire Cricket Coach
May 17 th	Heads Tea Party
May 18 th	Key Stage 2 Cyber Safety Workshops

Lost Property

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

PE Polo Top – Agnes Morley

PE Polo Top & PE Jumper – Orla Scott

PE Polo Top – Anthony Tiptaft

After School Care

The children were delighted to see the return of Miss Sara Brown to 'After School Care' this week, welcome back Sara!

If you wish to book your child/children in please remember to book via the office in advance and say which collection time you would like, these are either 4.30, 5.00 or 5.25pm. Thank you.



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Year 3 Art by Miss White

As soon as we returned to school in March the wonderful Y3's threw themselves into working on a large scale - and thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of colour, paint and multiple shapes. Inspired by the contemporary artist Beatriz Milhazes, Y3 carefully layered ovals, circles, patterns, and colours to create expressive images that celebrated freedom.

This week we had the pleasure of completing the challenge and Y3 are rightly very proud of their achievements. Beaming faces accompanied the amazing artwork and they have all done the most amazing job of bringing all the elements together with a sense of purpose and energy. Wonderful!



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Mental Health by Miss Cook

Welcome back to school!

It has been a year of transitions so far, but it has been exciting to see the world opening back up again. I know there has been lots of excited chatter about things that children have been up to since the 12th April. However, some children may be feeling extremely cautious or worried about being in groups again. The young minds website has lots of useful resources for helping children in an anxious moment and also help you recognise the signs and symptoms for when children may need further support. <https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help-for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-anxiety/>

We are doing lots in school to support children back to learning after the Easter break but please speak to your child's form tutor if there is anything you feel your child needs. We are here to support both you and your children while we navigate this new world.

Let us look forward to sunnier skies and a return to some kind of normal. I hope you all had a wonderful Easter.

French

Reception have started learning the names of body parts in their French lessons this term. We had the help of Aoife's cuddly 'lapin' (rabbit) to introduce the vocabulary, practised our listening and speaking skills with a French rhyme and used a 'baguette magique' (magic wand) to show off the pupils' knowledge of the key vocabulary. We finished off the lesson with lots of smiles and giggles as we danced and sang the 'Hokey Cokey' in French.



Schoolbeat Officer by Miss Porter

This week PC Weedon made his first visit out of three to see Year 6 to teach them specifically about Internet safety through the School Beat programme. He talked through all the things you should not share online and how to keep yourself safe – especially when gaming! The children are looking forward to their next sessions with him especially the allocated 5 minutes of ‘ask me anything about being a policeman’ opportunity at the end of each session.



Little Princess Trust

After watching a programme on TV about children with cancer, Norah in Year 1, wanted to help so raised sponsorship by cutting off her hair. On Tuesday she had the haircut and a fantastic 35cms was cut off and is now being sent to the Little Princess Trust. So far, she has raised an amazing £550! If anyone would like to donate here is the JustGiving link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kamilya-le-masurier>

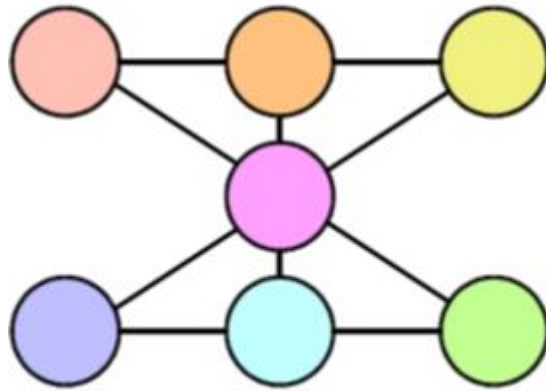
We are super proud of you Norah, such a thoughtful and caring gesture, well done!



Maths Challenge

Mrs Elmore has set a new maths challenge for you all!

**Can you put the numbers 1 to 7
in each circle so that the total
of every line is 12?**



Holiday Activities

Florence has had a busy Easter holiday as she went litter picking in Woodchester and then made some very tasty looking sheep cakes! Good work Florence!



Active to School Challenge by Miss Walker

The 'Active to School' challenge is continuing for the summer term. Please continue to let your form tutors know when you walk to school so that we can gain points and challenge ourselves against other competing local schools. Thank you.

Step into School to help win the challenge!!

- **Walk to school to gain points for your class**
- **Each class' score will add towards the school's weekly total**
- **Your school will compete each week against a fellow Stroud school, can you beat them???**
- **Live too far to walk? Park up short of the school and walk to gain points or complete 5 mins of activity in the playground before school**

Friends of Hopelands by Mrs Bingham

FoH would like to thank all of you who baked and bought cakes at the end of last term. The contributions were outstanding and truly delicious. We were overwhelmed - and slightly full by the number of cakes we had. Thanks also to Jo and Lee-Anne who had the busy task of manning the KS2 table!

We raised a total of £92 for FoH!

We are always looking for new members to join the committee, it's fun and as much commitment as you feel comfortable with. Do get in touch! We also have a new treasurer Jess Middlemiss.

We are planning a bring and share summer get together in June. Watch this space for information.

Summer term is one of my favourites, sunshine, fun and laughter.

Best Wishes

Jenni Bingham (Chair)

