

## HPFS Primary Newsletter

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019



### Theme of the week:

When we are happy we smile. That is well-known. However apparently it is also the case that if we smile, we make ourselves happier.

This week, we read "The Gotcha Smile" and we have been looking for people who are smiling at others, amongst other values.

Smiling is the first of ten habits that are suggested in "My Hidden Chimp" that help us manage our inner chimps.

### Value of the week:

Minibeasts: Tyler J  
Minibeasts: Jacob H  
Tigers: Olly S  
Zebras: Brenn C  
Turtles: Alexander S  
Penguins: Martha  
Panthers: Maya H  
Lions: Lola H  
Squirrels: Cayden and Charlie  
Eagles: Adam B  
Meerkats: Beau L  
Bumblebees: Jasmine W

### Achiever of the week:

Minibeasts: McKenzie D  
Minibeasts: Jane K  
Tigers: Maya R  
Zebras: Isla M  
Turtles: Harry R  
Penguins: Charlie D  
Panthers: Riley Pe  
Lions: Mikaela S  
Squirrels: Mason and Luke M  
Eagles: Nathan C  
Meerkats: Jorge H  
Bumblebees: James W

### Notes, reminders and changes for next week:

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Meeting for Year 5 parents and carers regarding the residential in September: 6pm**

**Wednesday**

Parent Drop-in: 2pm and 6pm at the OM  
Please come and see Mrs Healey and Mrs Hughes – ask questions, give your opinions....

**Thursday**

**Friday**

### **HEADLICE!**

**I have been emailed by a couple of parents almost in despair as to how to keep headlice at bay once treated.**

**PLEASE check and treat this weekend, and if you have any top tips, please email them to me this week at [rhughes@heyfordparkfreeschool.org](mailto:rhughes@heyfordparkfreeschool.org) and I will include them in next week's newsletter. Thank you!**

### Update from the Kitchen:

Although the kitchen has tried wholemeal thins for the packed lunches, these haven't proved very popular with children, so from next week they will be returning to sandwiches with brown bread.

Please remember to send in your choices for the special menu on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February - sounds delicious!

### Reception Requests:

Can we remind you to send in electronic evidence of the home learning taking place please? Don't forget that last week we sent home some Home Learning suggestions which might help if you are stuck for ideas?

We would really appreciate photos on '2simple' of tooth brushing, bed making, helping with jobs around the house etc. Although we requested this previously, only a few families submitted evidence. Children have been looking at repeating patterns this week and also 'The U.K.' We suggest you look at maps together and point out England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. Can they find other places that have personal relevance to their family or friends?

We really need family support with our collation of evidence each week. It takes seconds to submit and makes a huge difference to our Pupil Profiles.

If you have any small pieces of junk for junk modelling next week, we would appreciate them.

**Thank you.**

### Calling parents and carers of children in Year 5:

Year 6 Residential

Year 5 parents please remember to attend the Residential Meeting on Tuesday at 6pm to find out all about the amazing Year 6 trip in September. The manager from CRS Adventures will host the meeting and answer any questions you may have. Even if you are unsure whether your child is attending we invite you to come along to learn all about it. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Farm Trips – Year 3:

We will be going on our "Winter" farm trips soon. Payment is available on parent pay – please do contribute if at all possible, so that we can finish the season's trips.

Penguins class will be going on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January and Panthers on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January.

### Year 4 Residential:

Thank you to those who came to the meeting earlier this week.

Please find attached to this email a kit list needed and the powerpoint presentation from the meeting. Other information was sent home with children in Lions earlier in the week and children in Squirrels today – if your child hasn't given theirs to you, please ask them to look in their bags, however these are also attached to this email.

### Nursery News:

This week the nursery children have been looking at the gingerbread man story and learning how to retell the story in lots of different ways. We have been cutting out gingerbread men, practising our scissor skills and decorating them with different collage materials in order to use them as props. We had some brilliant mixtures but not many were used to make a gingerbread

man! We have put pictures in order of the story and told Miss Bignell when she got all the characters muddled up. We have also been creating gingerbread men using mosaic tiles in the garden and trying to create our own dough to build gingerbread men with.

Next week we will be looking at Animals. This will be the theme for show and tell and will be on Friday.



### Year 6 Parents' evening:

If you have a child in Year 6, you will have received a letter inviting you to attend a parents' evening on Monday the 28th or Tuesday 29th January. The Monday interviews are for the Bumblebee class with Mrs Osbourne and the Tuesday is for the Meerkats Class with Mrs Dallas. You can book this online the usual way on [parents-booking.co.uk](http://parents-booking.co.uk) Other year groups will have parents' evenings in March (see below)

### Dates for your diary:

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Bags2School Collection
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	6pm - Residential meeting for children currently in Year 5
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Parent Voice Drop-in 2pm and 6pm at the OM with Ms Healey and Mrs Hughes
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Viking Day – Year 4 (see attached letter)
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 only parents' evenings – Bumblebees
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 only parents' evenings – Meerkats
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Penguins to the farm
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Panthers to the farm
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Reception and Year 6 Weight and Measure check – NHS. See separate letter which you should have received by email.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Family Quiz Night (more details to follow)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Story Week in Primary
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Pantomime
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Roald Dahl Day – Years 1-3 only (see above)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 8 Parents' Evening 2.30-6.30pm (Primary children to finish at the normal time)
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Half Term

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET day – no children in school
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evenings (Nursery to Year 5)

*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs. Hughes*