What's on				
Monday 3rd February	Tuesday 4th February	Wednesday 5th February	Thursday 6th February	Friday 7th February
			Year 3 Trip	
Mad Science 3.15-4.15pm	Theatre Train Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm Football 3.30-4.30pm		GoGo Makers 3.15- 4.15pm	Celebration Assembly 9.10am
		Multisports 3.30- 4.30pm	Acrotrix Gym Club 3.15- 4.15pm	Reception Phonics Workshop 2pm
			Reception Phonics	

From the desk of our Chair of Governors

Reminder:

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, Mrs Humphriss and Mrs Abernethy have kindly let me write the newsletter! As Chair of Governors, I am pleased to be able to pen you a few words about my reflections and experiences of our amazing school.

The school governors are responsible for helping Mrs Humphriss and the school's leaders to make sure that the school is safe, children are happy, have a deep and diverse range of experiences, and the school's money is well spent. We are always welcome to hear your feedback and thoughts about the school via wakeley.p@welearn365.com. Also,

Ofsted Parent View is an online questionnaire for you to give your views about our school at any time http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

One of the roles of Governors is to come into schools and do some visits. These visits help Governors to understand the school and see the great learning and environment that we have. This week, I had the pleasure of joining both Hedgehogs and Butterflies. It was delightful to hear some of them read, and hear about their topic of fairy tales, the efficiency of various building methods from the three little pigs, growing seeds and using scary dinosaurs in their number frames for addition. The confidence of the readers, and the enthusiasm of the pupils to share their learning with me was great to see. It is also great for Governors to see first-hand what we hear from the school's leaders.

This year continues to be really exciting for the school. We are continuing to develop our broad curriculum, offering yet more great experiences for our pupils. We want our pupils to be ready for a changing future and be ready to shape our society of tomorrow. I'm personally excited to see Shakespeare running through the curriculum and look forward to seeing performances and hearing about it later in the year.

As our community continues to grow, we strive to be at the centre of the community, and hopefully our second phase of building work will start shortly, and we'll give you more details when we have them.

Well, sir, learn to jest in good time; there's a time for all things A Midsummer Night's Dream, William Shakespeare

Dr Paul Wakeley
Chair of Governors

 $\stackrel{\wedge}{\square}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ WEEKLY ATTENDANCE BY $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ CLASS $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ Butterflies $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ 90.52% 92.92% Hedgehogs $\stackrel{\wedge}{\not\sim}$ Otters 96.25% $\stackrel{\wedge}{\cancel{\sim}}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ 91.81% ☆ → Owls 95.90% ☆ ★ Squirrels 98.75% $\stackrel{\wedge}{\cancel{\sim}}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Longrightarrow}$ ☆ ★ This week Mr Cote (our attendance badger) will be with: $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ **SQUIRRELS!** $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\swarrow}$ WEEKLY HOUSE Heath **POINTS**

31st January 2020

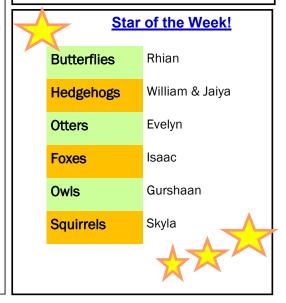
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Spotlight on Excellence



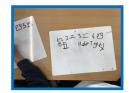
FOXES—YEAR 2

This week Foxes had a great time following the journey of germs. We used 'glitter germs' to replicate how easily germs are spread around. We found out how important it is to wash your hands. The 'glitter germs' ended up everywhere!

On Wednesday, students from Warwick Boys School came to visit. They taught the children not only how to talk in Mandarin but also to write! The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about this amazing language.

We are Foxes translates to Wo men shì húlí - 我们是狐狸





OWLS—YEAR 3

Our 'Scrummdiddlyumptious' topic is proving to be a huge hit! In Science, the Owls have being exploring different fruits and vegetables using some of their senses in isolation! We are all really enjoying our class book 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and very excited about our Chocolate Factory visit next week! The Owls are all working very hard to become more fluent, confident and enthusiastic readers. The 'Golden Tickets' soon to be on offer for regular reading at home and completing books are a very tempting incentive! Owls put their reading skills to the test by reading Roald Dahl's biography - what a fascinating life story.



SQUIRRELS—YEAR 4

Squirrels have had an exciting week investigating solids, liquids and gases. They worked out why sand is a solid, even though we can pour it like a liquid by using magnifying glasses. They also did some wonderful creative writing by imagining that they were a drop of water in the water cycle. It led to a fascinating discussion of how they thought it would feel if they were evaporating and then condensing into a cloud!



After half term, Squirrels are going to be learning about teeth and how we can look after them. If any parents are dentists or dental hygienists and would be willing to come and speak to Squirrels, please get in touch with Mrs Parashar.

A gently reminder at drop-off and collection, not to park your cars in front of the school gates. Access to the school gates needs to be free at all times. May we also ask you to be mindful of the local resi-



dents when parking particularly at the junction of Garrett Drive.

Friends of Heathcote



You can see what the 'Friends' are up to by liking us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/groupsfriendsofheathcote/ or contact us by email: 'friendsofheathcoteps@gmail.com

Please see book bags for flyer regarding our next fundraising event, a family race night. An evening of full of fun, are you feeling lucky? Cash prize every race. Wednesday 12th February 2020 at 5.30pm.

Academic Year 2020

Thursday 6th February Year 3 Trip

Thursday 6th February Reception Phonics Workshop 9.15am

Friday 7th February Celebration Assembly 9am

Friday 7th February Reception Phonics Workshop 2pm

Tuesday 11th February Year 2 Trip

Friday 14th February Celebration Assembly 9.10am

Friday 14th February Break up for half term

17th-21st February Half Term Holiday

Monday 24th February Return to school

Tuesday 25th February Pancake Day Races (time TBC)

Friday 28th February Celebration Assembly 9.10am

Friday 3rd April No Teacher Training—

children in school

Friday 8th May Bank Holiday—no school

1st June Teacher Training Day

These dates may be subject to change if necessary, changes are made in red and bold

School Term and Holiday Dates 2019/2020 are available

Art Report



"Creativity is contagious, pass it on." Albert Einstein

This is very true at Heathcote. Everyone in our community is being encouraged to find the artist in themselves- we all have one hiding away!

Last week, every child in the school produced a portrait of William Shakespeare. These are being entered in the 'Shakespeare Portrait Competition', which is part of this year's Shakespeare Week. Whatever the outcome, all our 'artists' developed their skills in drawing faces and experimented with different techniques, tools and materials. The masterpieces will be on display in our school gallery during the Summer Term.

We are showcasing some of our artwork at the 'Exhibition of Young Local Artists' at Warwick School.

Congratulations to Aniyah (Hedgehogs), Maria (Butterflies), Lena and Roman (Foxes) and Gurshaan, Freya, Gunjan and Spencer (Owls) who have all received an invitation to the 'Official Opening' of the Exhibition on Saturday 1st February. These children have been selected as their work features as individual or group pieces in the exhibition. Some of the Otters' ceramic poppies will be on display too

The exhibition is open to the public and is being held in Warwick Hall from the 1^{st} to the 6^{th} February. It is well worth a visit!