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Super Saturday

A group of approximately 30 children and a few adults are posing for a group photo on a grassy field. They are holding a large blue banner that features a white crown logo above the word "PRINCESS" in white capital letters. The children are dressed in winter clothing, including coats, hats, and scarves. In the background, there are trees, a building, and a cloudy sky. The photo is framed with rounded corners.



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Athletics

On Wednesday 22nd February, the Year 3 and Year 4 children from the Schools' athletic team attended their first competition: Indoor Athletics. The children took part in a variety of track events (running relays) and field events (long jump, speed bounce, javelin, and chest push). This was a great start to our competitions and is just the first of many upcoming for the athletics team. The organisers, PSSP (Plymouth School Sports Partnership) have moved away from celebrating winners with medals: we invite you to join us in celebrating these children, many of whom have never competed before. The children competed with passion, self-belief, respect, honesty, determination and teamwork. Well done!



"The indoor athletics was very fun, and I was so relieved after my race! The most fun part about it was doing a competition and representing my school. It was fun going to the Life Centre to do this, I'd never done anything like this before. I cannot wait for the next competition!" Archie N, Year 4

Devon Junior Chess Competition

A huge well done to the children of HPS who participated in the Devon Junior Chess tournament last weekend. The children demonstrated the core school values of being brave, kind, confident and optimistic throughout the day. The children were amazing at overcoming challenges, seizing opportunities, and winning against some really strong opponents. Three of our participants were commended and received special certificates. Also, the best girl player trophy went to our own HPS student. We could not be prouder!

"I felt excited and very tense, but in my first match my partner didn't turn up, so I got a point without playing. At the end, I was very pleased with myself!" Harry H, Year 6



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Badminton

In Year 6, The children have been practising their badminton skills. Building on their learning from Year 5, they have learnt backhand, forehand as well as lob and drop shots to outwit our opponents and applied this learning to matches.

"I like working as a team." - Ava C

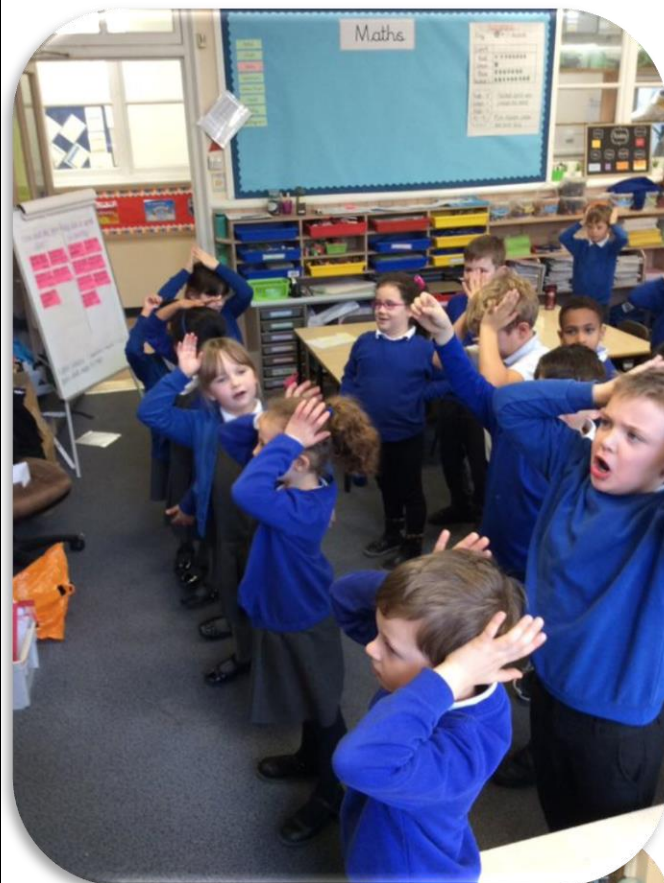
"I think badminton is fantastic and it is a great opportunity to have." Euan



"I like it when we manage to get more than 2 passes in a row." Elise

Great Fire of London

In History, Year 2 children have continued their learning about the Great Fire of London. Recently, the children role played to show how the Great Fire impacted different people's lives. Here are some photos of the children role playing imagining themselves as Samuel Pepys, King Charles and Lord Mayor Bloodworth! The children are thoroughly enjoying their learning in History.



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Religious Education

In Religious Education, children in Year 4 had a visit from Reverend Devereux from St. Mark's Church in Keyham. Reverend Devereux spoke to the children about the journey of a Christian and the key events of their Christian journey. This links to the children's learning in about Christianity. The children were really engaged and enjoyed the interactive session.

Special thanks to Reverend Devereux, for taking the time to speak to our children.



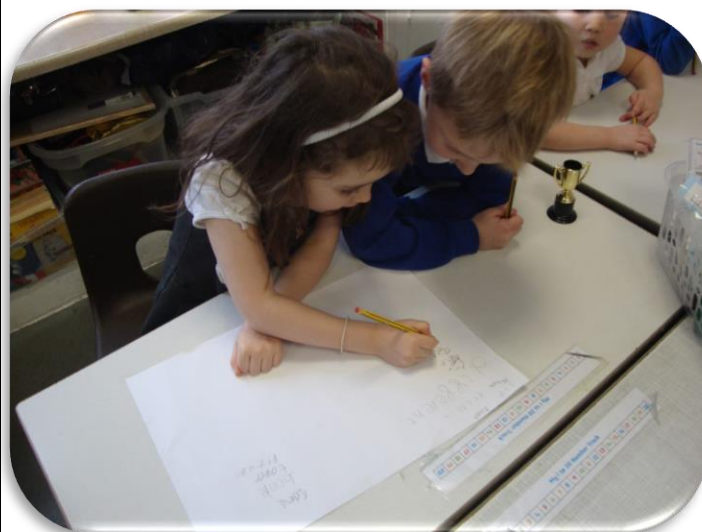
Founder's Day

Recently, we celebrated Founder's Day. Mrs Burford, along with our Cubs and Brownies, shared with us the importance of their day of celebration. Everyone looked very smart in their uniforms.



Religious Education

In RE, children in Year 1 have been comparing the place of worship for Christians and Muslims. The children worked together to discuss the similarities and differences between a church and a mosque. The children have been enjoying their learning in RE and have been asking interesting questions.



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Dinosaur Day

Recently in Reception, the children experienced a 'Dinosaur Day'. The day involved many different dinosaur themed activities. The children dug for fossils and reassembled dinosaur bones. The children created many dinosaur drawings and masks, made chocolate egg nests and participated in a variety of science experiments which included creating a volcano and hatching fizzy eggs. The children also had a learning session about snakes and asked many inquisitive questions about the reptile.

The day was fun filled day and the excitement on all the children's faces is unmatched.



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Communication Update

Please note that we have updated the way we communicate with you. Please see a letter that has been sent out today for further details. We are pleased to inform you that you can now find us on:

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066879518523>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/hydeparkplymouth/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/HydeParkHorizon>

We are also using **ClassDojo**, please check your email for the invite and please note there is no cost to sign up.

IXL

Since the implementation of IXL, the children have been engaging really well and are making very good progress. In addition to the algorithm setting bespoke work for the children, teachers are also assigning tasks which means that the work is meaningful to each individual child.

"It's pretty good because we can choose what we want to learn about, I love the maths!" Jack R, Keller, Year 3

"It's really, really fun because I can challenge myself by choosing which subject I want to learn about." Ellie D, Sycamore, Year 2

"I like that there is a wide range of questions to answer and I like that I can choose the topic. if you want to get better at maths you can choose diagnostic. It's more fun doing it online! Harry P, Attenborough, Year 4

"It's fun because I can choose what to do on it and what year group to look at so I can challenge myself, you can log on at any time and do your homework! Alex T, Gandhi, Year 5

"I like that its online and not on paper, I like that it has a pen option so that I can work things out without using paper. It is really easy to use and is accessible to everyone. Charlotte C, Douglas, Year 6



PTFA



**Save the date: SATURDAY 8TH JULY
10am-2pm**

Hyde Park School epic Summer Fayre!

Plans are underway to make this year's Summer Fayre amazing, but we need your help....

We are looking for:

Face painter Magician/ entertainers

Ice cream van Raffle prizes

Bakers of all things yummy

Do you know someone who could help? If so contact us at Hydeparksummerfayre@gmail.com

Thank you as always to our brilliant families and local community.



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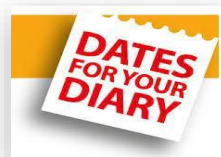
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Cedar	Caben
Ash	Edie
Oak	Raine
Beech	Grace
Poplar	Layla
Willow	Luke
Holly	Louria
Elm	Rhoda
Sycamore	Coco
Keller	Eleanor
Seacole	Adam
Barnardo	Ellie-Mae
Attenborough	Bodhi
Curie	Tryphena
Hawking	Agnese
Gandhi	Lily Rose
King	Zayd
Mandela	Omar
Pankhurst	Zoe Fesler
Douglass	Ethan
Dickens	Zoe

Nominations for being an inclusive learner

Cedar	Henry
Ash	Bodhi
Oak	Eva H
Beech	Penelope
Poplar	Valentino
Willow	Zarah
Holly	Imogen
Elm	Sara
Sycamore	Bill
Keller	Millie
Seacole	Violet
Barnardo	Evie
Attenborough	Mihnea
Curie	Archie
Hawking	Ellie-Rose
Gandhi	Armaan
King	Mila
Mandela	Poppy-Paula
Pankhurst	Poppy
Douglass	Dara
Dickens	Darcy



March

Monday, 6 th – Friday, 10 th	Careers Week
Wednesday, 8 th	Holi Day – Festival of Colours
Friday, 10 th	Career Day – children dressed as their career choice
Friday, 10 th	Start of British Science Week

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FEBRUARY WINNERS



HYDE PARK SCHOOLS
CREATIVE WRITING
COMPETITION

WHAT WOULD YOUR
PERFECT PECULIAR PET BE?

IT COULD BE A STORY, A POEM, A COMIC STRIP, A
PLAY SCRIPT, A SONG, A LETTER OR ANY CREATIVE
PIECE OF YOUR CHOICE!

DEADLINE: MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

YEAR 1 – FREDDIE A
“DO PETS”

YEAR 4 – LOIS C
“THE MUR-BEAR”

YEAR 2 – CHARLIE C
“THE PERFECT PET”

YEAR 5 – EMILY S
“THE FANTASTIC FLYING FISH”

YEAR 3 – COTEHELE P
“PECULIAR PETS”

YEAR 6 – ISAAC F
PECULIAR PETS

WELL DONE TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED!



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HYDE PARK SCHOOLS CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION


MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE



IT COULD BE A STORY, A POEM, A COMIC STRIP, A PLAY SCRIPT, A SONG, A LETTER OR ANY CREATIVE PIECE OF YOUR CHOICE!

DEADLINE: MONDAY 20TH MARCH

Top 10 WRITING TIPS



- 1 Choose a title that draws attention.
- 2 Find out all you can about your topic.
- 3 Organize your ideas before you begin.
- 4 Add your own style to your writing.
- 5 Include interesting information.
- 6 Make sure you stick to the topic.
- 7 Use words wisely.
- 8 Remember that good grammar counts.
- 9 Reread and revise your writing.
- 10 Enjoy your writing and others will, too!

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