

HCJS Newsletter

Aiming High, Celebrating Success

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Sports News

As our attention turns to 'The Arts' over the next few days, it seems a good time to round up all the recent sports news here at HCJS.

We have had a very special few days football wise this week! The year 6 'A' team rounded off their season with a 2-1 victory against St Mary's School in their final game of the season. Goals from Tommy H.W and Pelumi A were enough to see us to victory. The team finished with a record of W2 D2 L3. (The B team have one more game next week to complete their season).

The year 5 team have also played brilliantly recently, with two convincing victories against William Harding and Halton schools to their name since the last newsletter

Finally, on Monday Mr Smart and I accompanied our year 3 footballers to the Oxford United Schools tournament in Bicester – What can I say except that they were absolutely magnificent! We won the tournament with 100% record of wins and only conceded 2 goals in all 8 games – we are through to a 'Grand final' at Oxford United's 1st team training ground tomorrow morning, where we play Tetsworth School, the winners of the Abingdon tournament. It is sure to be a brilliant experience for the boys, and I know they can't wait!

In netball news, I'm really pleased to tell you that in only our second season of 'league' netball fixtures, HCJS finished a very credible 4th in the 'A' league. We were up against some very experienced teams and had some really pleasing wins along the way – the team finished their season with a record of 3 wins and 3 defeats, scoring 31 goals in the process.

Well done to all our football and netball players, you have represented the HCJS 'badge' superbly this season. Both sports look to be in 'rude health' here at HCJS – my big thanks go to Mr Smart (boys football), Mrs Ing (Girls football) and Mrs Caldwell (netball) for the huge amount of time and effort they have given to their respective sports teams this year.

Please don't forget that if you want to keep up to date with all the latest HCJS sports news our school Twitter feed is the place to go – I'd urge you to subscribe if you use this platform, we only have 14 followers so far and I'm pretty sure we can do better than that! You can find the feed on the front page of our school website too.

Family Lives—Support for parents

Ever noticed that there is a wealth of support and information for parents with young children, but when your child starts school, it can often feel like all that information and support disappears?

The charity, Family Lives is a fantastic starting point. It offers very sensible advice on all aspects of family life including issues that every parent will encounter and advice for more individual circumstances. If the information on the website doesn't address your situation, they also have a helpline, 0808 8002222

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Readers' Corner

Mrs Flynn—Year 3 Class Teacher recommends: The Borrowers by Mary Norton:

Borrowers are tiny people who live under the floorboards and survive by borrowing from the big people in the house. When they are discovered by the big people, they must find a new home before the exterminator gets them. This classic has survived for half a century because it charms young and old alike. The descriptions of how the family uses our trinkets fascinate children. After the book is finished, you may find your children crawling around the house looking for their own Borrowers!



News, notices & reminders

Arts Festival

Please remember that we have our Art Festival today from 6–8pm! There will be singing, dancing, music and lots of incredible artwork displayed. It should be an amazing evening, showcasing our children's talents. Please join us to be impressed and inspired. This is a school fundraiser so we will be holding a raffle and refreshments will be sold by our lovely PTA plus there will be various arts and crafting activities so please do bring your purses / wallets and show your support.

E-Safety Briefing

There was a really disappointing level of attendance at our E-Safety Parents Information Meeting at school last Wednesday. Only 16 of our 250+ parents attended. It was such an informative evening and gave a lot of detail about many of the games / apps that all of our children use on a regular basis. We would ask that you do try to support us with these information evenings; it takes a lot of work to put on these events and is done with you and your children in mind.

The representative from Thames Valley Police suggested this website for parents wishing to find out more about the social media, apps and games their children may be using so please do take time to look at it if you were unable to make the meeting.

www.net-aware.org.uk

Parent Council Meeting—Wednesday 2nd May

The Parent Council meeting is your opportunity to ask questions and have your say about school life. You can do this via one of your year group Parent Council Representatives.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the last meeting, the minutes are on our school website. Ahead of the next meeting your Parent Rep would love to hear your views. This time we will be focusing on the Parent Information Evenings run in school. We would like to know if you enjoyed the recent Maths and E-Safety Evenings and what areas, if any, you would like us to focus on for future evenings. General feedback about the school is also very welcome.

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The Big Pedal 23rd April—4th May 2018

Don't forget that The Big Pedal continues until the 4th May so please do encourage your children to scoot or cycle to school.

Sun Awareness

As we get increasing amounts of warm weather, please do ensure that your child is aware of the danger of the sun. We would ask that sun cream is applied before they come to school and that they have a named sun hat with them at all times. On very hot days we will not be allowing the children to play in the sunshine unless they are wearing a hat.

Learners of the week

Apologies that there was no photograph taken on the 30th March.

Our Learners of the week were:

Joshua 3F, Aimee 3S and Jamie 3TP

Serenna 4I and Milo 4S

Freddie 5H, George 5K and Tallulah 5OC

Maddie 6CA and Sophie 6P



20th April 2018

Forthcoming events

Friday 27th April

Arts Festival 6—8pm

Details to follow

W/C 14th May

Year 6 SATS week

Year 6 Residential—Wales

Week 1. 11th—15th June

Week 2. 18th—22nd June

Haddenham Fete Competition

Don't forget to get your entries in for the competition to design the programme for this year's Haddenham Fete.

If you would like to enter, please use A4 Paper and lots of colour. Don't use any text, just focus on a great image.

The Theme is “**Life in Haddenham**” which means you could draw anything from the duck pond, to the church, the school, Brownies etc...Make sure your full name and age is on the back of your entry and return to school to MRS DUNCAN by 4th May.