



Newsletter

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This Week in Art

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Year 2 are excitingly developing their ideas for their London themed artwork. After recording their favourite Fourth Plinth Sculpture (on show in Trafalgar Square), they were introduced to “the connectioniser” as a way for starting to evolve their ideas visually. We will build upon this next half term, by creating more “connecting ideas” and finalising a 3D outcome.

Year 3 enjoyed going BIG with simplifying the patterns they found in Ancient Roman artifacts.

Year 5 began to merge living organisms together, inspired by illustrator Katie Scott's illustrations. Sketchbook animal drawings by Thomas Cole, Monty and Harry in 5W.

Art material collection requests

- Amazon cardboard boxes or similar
- Metal junk like old keys, cutlery, wire, chains (nothing sharp)
- toilet rolls / kitchen rolls
- fabric off cuts or large fabric pieces!



Sepsis Awareness

We have been asked by our local MP, Helen Hayes, to share the following information with you. Prof Akash Deep and paediatricians from King's College Hospital are promoting an awareness of sepsis to local families. Sepsis is a deadly condition, which is treatable if it is diagnosed in time, but can be hard to diagnose.

Cases of sepsis amongst young people are continuing to rise and paediatricians are concerned that the early symptoms in children are easily mistaken for Covid-19. Prof Deep has recorded a video setting out the common symptoms of sepsis which parents and carers should look out for and when to seek medical help. The video can be found here:

<https://www.wevideo.com/view/2374999530>

Prof Deep's team is able to offer live briefings for parents by Zoom, including the opportunity to ask questions. If you are interested in attending a session, please contact our school office.



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Heber is the New Anfield

At school we have been working on the 'Fortress Heber' project. Visiting teams need to know that we have a very strong school community. We are friendly, but we do not want the visitors feeling too relaxed.

Our Year 6 boys played St John and St Clements after school on Thursday this week. Our resplendent astro turf shimmered in the fading winter light. The 'crowds' started to arrive. More accurately, our lovely afterschool club (rent-a-mob) came to the playground. About 50 very excited children. In addition, some older brothers and sisters who left the school years ago turned up. Then several teachers came down to the playground, obviously bored with having to mark countless books. The crowd resembled a young Anfield Kop. Heber children were ready to sing. It was not the Liverpool anthem "you'll never walk alone", it was the Heber anthem "we beat them, we bash them, we beat and bash them, it's our passion!" The Fortress was in good voice.

The match was fast paced throughout. Both teams showed tremendous technical skills. Heber took the lead but immediately St Johns and St Clems scored. We then took the lead again only for the visitors to claw back a goal that made it 2-2 with only 5 minutes left. Clearly our skilful opponents were not fazed by the noise. It was definitely 'squeaky bum time' (Alex Ferguson). Thankfully Mr Adams and not Mr Neve-Dunn was in charge of substitutions. Showing the tactical awareness of Pep Guardiola, his substitutes brought new life into the team. **The final score was 4-2 to Heber.**

Well done to all the players – Samuel, Jacob, Nathaniel, Ibrahim, Charlie, Finn, Joe, Max L, Kaya, Leo and Malachi.

Three Times Unlucky

Year 4 boys football team

Three times the Year 4 boys have been ready to play the football match against local rivals Harris East Dulwich. Three times the opponents have postponed the match for what are 3 seemingly legitimate reasons (a playground flood, covid and a clerical error). However, Mr Neve-Dunn is spreading the rumour that local schools are scared to play our superb team. Rather than go home disappointed once again, the team stayed after school and had an excellent training session on our lovely Astroturf.

Well done to Jamie, Ivo, William, Teddy, Jack, Chester, Liam, Caspar and Kai.



Nursery 2022-23 Application Deadline

If you have a child attending Nursery in September or know someone who does, please remember that the deadline to apply for a place in Heber's Nursery is Friday 1st April. Application forms can be found on our website below, under Admissions / Nursery, or you can contact the school office for a hard copy or request a Word document via email.

<https://heberprimaryschool.com/about/admissions/>



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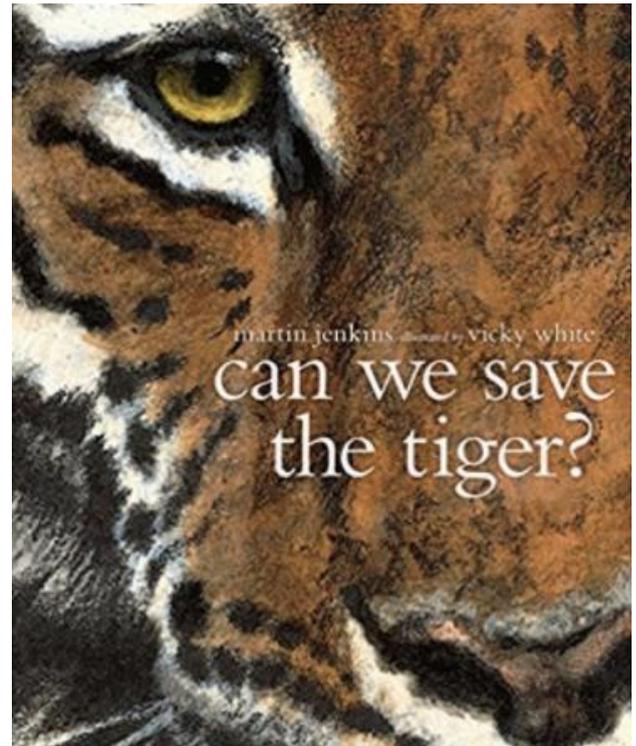
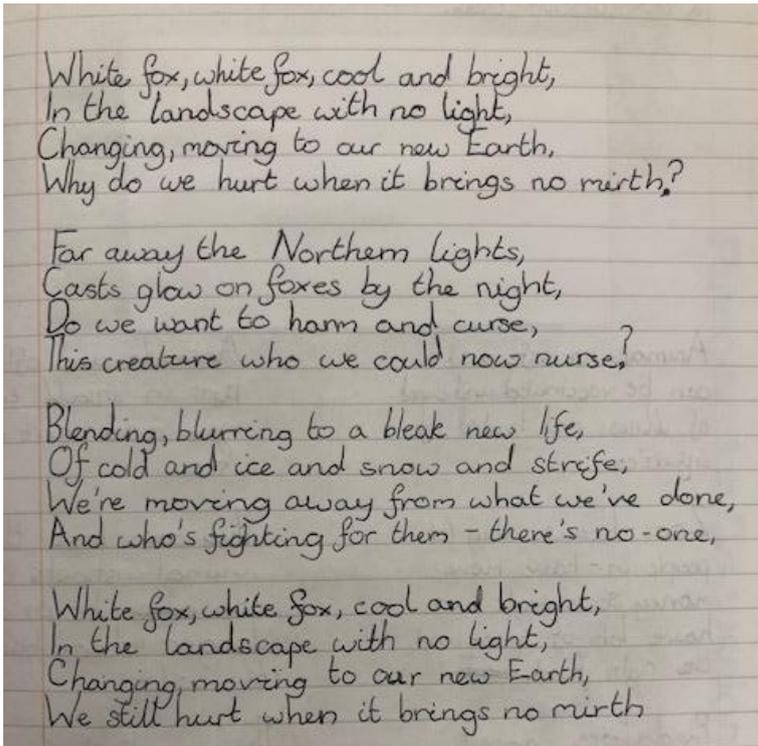
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Poetry in Year 6

As part of their English lessons, Year 6 have been studying the poem 'Tyger' by William Blake and have used this to inspire their own poetry. Along with this work, the year group have been reading the text 'Can We Save the Tiger', by Martin Jenkins which helps the children to explore the themes of evolution and inheritance, whilst focusing on the issue of endangered animals around the world. Ruth's poem, pictured below, reflects this growing interest in Year 6 brilliantly.



Special mentions for Music

Ms. Harrower's special mentions for excellent effort in music this week:

- 4N - Swizz, for excellent listening, joining in and a lovely performance on the piano.
- 4C - Frankie, for incredible focus on the task!
- 6F - Esme for leading the singing on the round
- 6A - Miss Finch's group for their truly excellent soundscape on the poem.
- 2JP - Myiesha - beautiful, well thought out fish dancing.
- 5K - Tess for excellent engagement in our listening tests, Demilade for spotting the ground bass and Gianni, for getting almost every instrument in the listening tests!

February Half-Term Holiday Camp

Bookings are still open for February Half-Term Holiday Camp. For further information and to book a place, please visit our website:

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A Message from our Governors

As a Governing Body, we would like to be in regular touch with you, so we will be writing updates for the newsletter and arranging more face-to-face opportunities (Covid willing!) to meet and talk to you. At this point, we want to assure all our parents and carers that we are closely involved in making sure that Heber has the right health, safety and operational measures in place to protect our children and staff. These measures (e.g. mask wearing, bubbles, mixing, class closures, online teaching, letters to staff and parents, etc.) must reflect the latest and changing guidance from the Department for Education, Public Health England and Southwark. It's a tricky balance, as we are sure you can imagine, but the role of the governors is to make sure that the school abides by them. Guidance changes regularly as do our infection and self-isolation cases. We appreciate that sometimes the measures that the school has to put into place and speed of change can be very frustrating for families (and our staff). We all want to provide as normal an experience as possible for the children and we co-chairs meet Rivka to discuss these and other matters on a weekly (and sometimes daily) basis.

We would also like to thank the Heber staff for being incredibly resourceful and flexible in the way they continue to respond to the ever-changing situation. It is an enormous logistical challenge to carry on providing the level of support and teaching that they do and we really appreciate their commitment and care.

In other news, we will soon be advertising for a new Parent Governor to join the board. If you are interested in joining us to grapple with providing a happy school experience with the best outcomes for all our children alongside Covid, budget cuts, a Victorian building, changing curriculum, a changing East Dulwich demographic – watch this space! It's never uninteresting!

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week for demonstrating our school values this week:

Reception – Cataleya (RC) and Sofia (RP)

Year 1 – Fedora (1DT) and Teddy (1H)

Year 2 – Arthur (2JP) and Sam (2S)

Year 3 – George (3KE) and Amelia (3N)

Year 4 – Ethan (4C) and Baxter and Hadia (4N)

Year 5 – Tess (5K) and the of 5W

Year 6 – Ariannah (6A) and Samuel (6F)

Academic Excellence Awards

This week in our Merit Assembly we celebrated the successes of a child from each class, who excelled in their learning and produced some outstanding work. Well done to the following children:

Reception – Heidi (RC) and Hettie (RP)

Year 1 – Aadam (1DT) and Kira (1H)

Year 2 – Teddy (2JP) and Ena (2S)

Year 3 – Joseph (3KE) and Jack C (3N)

Year 4 – Imogen (4C) and Hushai (4N)

Year 5 – Hamid (5K) and Paton (5W)

Year 6 – Jacob (6A) and Max (6F)

World Book Day

To coincide with World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March, we will be inviting children to come into school dressed as a character from their favourite book. As we have a Shakespearean theme across our Book Week, we would be delighted to see costumes inspired by either Shakespeare texts or the period of time. Previously, we have had a Shakespeare themed Book Week when studying *The Tempest*, and children came to school dressed as words or phrases that were invented by Shakespeare. Although this was tricky, the children rose to the challenge and we had some excellent costumes. Prizes and extra house points will be awarded to the children with the best Shakespeare inspired costumes!



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House Points



Ndume



Valdez



Mycroft



Rigal

Weekly Total

286

275

276

285

Term Total

2242

2241

2201

2232

February

Monday 14th – Friday 18th

Half Term Holiday

Monday 21 st	5K Animation workshop
Thursday 24 th	Year 6 visiting the Horniman Museum - Evolution
Monday 28 th	4N science workshop (running weekly x4)
Monday 28 th – Friday 4 th	Book Week

March

Thursday 3 rd	World Book Day – Dress up day
Thursday 10 th	3N – Museum of London
Friday 11 th	3KE – Museum of London
Tuesday 15 th	2S – Guildhall Art Gallery and the Monument
Wednesday 16 th	1DT – Postal Museum visit
Wednesday 16 th (2:20pm)	Reception P Class Assembly
Thursday 17 th	Year 1 Art Exhibition – ‘Forest of Land & Sea’ - Mangroves
Wednesday 23 rd	1H – Postal Museum Visit
Wednesday 23 rd (2:20pm)	Reception C Class Assembly
Monday 28 th	2JP – Guildhall Art Gallery and the Monument
Monday 28 th – Friday 4 th	Book Week
Tuesday 29 th	Year 4 interactive workshop – Earthquakes and Volcanoes
Tuesday 29 th – Thursday 31 st	Parents’ Evening

April

Friday 1 st	Last day of term – School closes at 2pm
Monday 4th – Monday 18th	
School Holiday	
Tuesday 19 th	First day of the Summer Term – Children return to school
Tuesday 19 th – Friday 22 nd	Years 3 and 4 swimming
Monday 25 th – Wednesday 27 th	Year 6 residential trip – Isle of Wight