



# Newsletter

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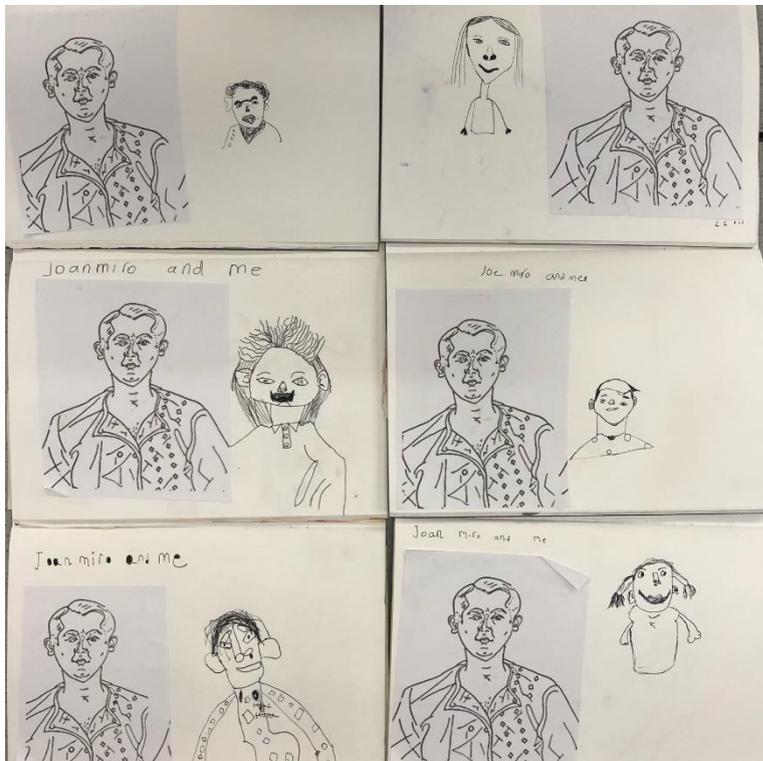
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## This Week in Art

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In art, Year 3 were introduced to the artist, Joan Miro. They positioned themselves alongside him whilst drawing their self-portrait in his style.

And I couldn't resist sharing a glimpse of last weeks' cave drawings in pencil and chalk by Matilda and Fred (3KE) and Dorothy, Nancy and Celia (3N). The children were challenged to draw from tiny plastic animals which they held in the palm of their hand! After their immersion day exposure to experimental mark making, we focused on refining shape and repetition of line. After discussing ways in which the artists of the Stone Age would have drawn high up on the cave walls and ceilings, the children opted to see how it would be to draw with really long sticks! We had lots of fun! **Ms. Davies**



## 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 – Hettie (RC) and Mia (RP)
- Year 1 – Gabriel (1DT) and Charlie (1H)
- Year 2 – Reuben (2JP) and Eve (2S)
- Year 3 – Reon (3KE) and Celia (3N)
- Year 4 – Laszlo (4C) and Hushai (4N)
- Year 5 – Noah (5K) and Monty (5W)
- Year 6 – Malachi (6A) and Ruth (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 – Cameron (RC) and Alex (RP)
- Year 1 – Samuel (1DT) and Bruno (1H)
- Year 2 – Elodie (2JP) and Emilio (2S)
- Year 3 – Ameen (3KE) and Elijah (3N)
- Year 4 – Gabriel (4C) and Kai (4N)
- Year 5 – Arvin (5K) and Payton (5W)
- Year 6 – Nat (6A) and Jacob (6F)



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## Reception Immersion Day

The Reception classes had such a brilliant day for their 'Story Immersion Day'. The children all brought in their favourite book and we had such a range of stories. During the day the adults and children shared their books together, talking about characters, the plot and parts that we enjoyed. Alongside this, the children had a range of activities related to books and stories, such as making book marks, retelling traditional stories and doing the 'Going on a Bear Hunt' obstacle course. There was such excitement surrounding the love of reading!



## School Council Representatives 2021 -22

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September there was election fever at Heber Primary School. Each year group held hustings, where the candidates made emotional and heartfelt appeals to the other children in their class, outlining the reasons why they would make the best class representative. Next it was time for every child at Heber to operate their democratic right and to cast their vote in a top secret ballot. The teachers then counted up the votes to find out who would be the representative for each class. First of all, a big well done to everyone who made a speech - I know we were all blown away by how thoughtful the speeches were and the wonderful ideas you had for improvements to the school and for charities we could support this year. If you didn't win, don't forget your voice still counts. Make sure you share your ideas for the school with your representative. But here are the successful class representatives for the 2021 to 2022 academic year:

Heber School Council 2021/21		
Year 1	1H: Eliza	1DT: Henry
Year 2	2S: Sadie	2PJ: Arthur
Year 3	3N: Harrison	3KE: Molly
Year 4	4N: Ollie	4C: Alice
Year 5	5W: Betsy	5K: Rowena
Year 6	6F: Mylo/ Chiara	6A: Nicholas

Congratulations to you all!

Further congratulations to Rowena who will be Chairperson of the School Council, Betsy who will be Vice Chairperson, Chiara who will be Secretary, and Harrison and Sadie who will be our Co-Treasurers. **Mr. Stevens**



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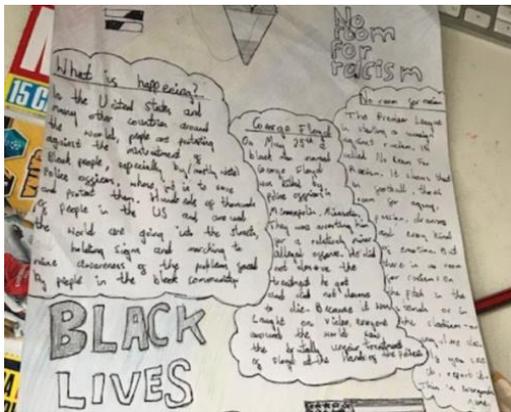
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## Increased Diversity of Representation in the Heber Curriculum Offer

Since the Black Lives Matter protests last year, we have been working hard to ensure that the Heber Curriculum not only serves as a window into the wider world, but also as a mirror in which each and every one of our children can see themselves. As a result, we rigorously reviewed the texts that our children study and the content of our curriculum to ensure that the diversity of our community shines through in what the children learn. This year we continued to implement these changes and will continue to do so.

With Black History Month on the horizon in October, we are keen to highlight to our children and the Heber community that Black History is not only taught through this initiative. To learn more about the diverse coverage that makes up our Curriculum, as well as details of the ethnically diverse texts our children study and the school's strategy for teaching children about anti-racism please visit the [Diversity at Heber](#) page on our website.



## This Week in Music

Ms. Harrower wanted to make some special mentions this week to acknowledge some of the children in particular.

Year 1 have been practising watching different signals from the conductor and playing their percussion instruments (very) loudly, or quietly. The whole of 1DT received a 'Caught Being Good' ticket, for sitting quietly, and not touching, whilst Ms. Harrower handed out the instruments.

In Year 4 special mentions go to:

- Emily and Hadiya for working together to come up with a fantastic melody on the chime bars using the pentatonic scale.
- Swizz for playing Ode to Joy on the piano during our talent spot
- Hushai, who dazzled the class with his drumming.
- Liam and Emily for playing their chime bar melody with excellent timing.

In year 6 this week the children have started to play the djembes, and sing African songs. 6A's Leo impressed us with his solo, and Alfie from 6F made us laugh playing the maracas very energetically.

In year 2, the children have been practising playing solos on the chime bars, taking turns. Special mentions for beautiful melodies played on the spot, with excellent timing, go to Myiesha, Reuben, Jonas, Kayden, Ena and Roxanne.



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## A Note from the P&F

The AGM last week was well-attended and productive, thanks to everyone who showed up, it was lovely to meet you all. The outgoing P&F Committee would like to thank the Heber community - all of the many volunteers, parents, teachers and staff who helped make a very challenging two years, also very heart-warming, fun and successful! We met our fundraising target for 2020-2021, and will donate £30,000 to the School to fund the refurbishment of the Crystal Palace Playground.

We had several volunteers to take over committee roles and are very pleased to announce your new P&F committee members for 2021-2022:

- Rachel Barlow and Philip Eeles, Co-Chairs
- Ed Butler, Treasurer
- Marwa Altaee-Alhashim and Darren Fox, Co-Secretaries
- Laura Howard and Alex Frost, Co-Sponsorship Secretaries
- Holly Hurst and Clare Duggan, Co-Communications Secretaries

The school has not yet announced the fundraising priority for 2021-2022, but this will be announced by the new committee very shortly.

Thank you again and looking forward to what promises to be a very exciting and fun-filled year at Heber.

Your outgoing committee,

Louise, Laura, Sam, Harriet, Dagmar and Aubrey

### October

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> , Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	TeenTech City of Tomorrow – Years 4, 5 & 6 - Session 1
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Winning House Reward Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Heber Carnival
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> and Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET Day
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term Holiday

### November

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School photographer in - Individual and siblings photographs
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	TeenTech City of Tomorrow - Years 4, 5 & 6 - Session 2
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-Bullying Week – Theme: One Kind Word
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Immunisations
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Reception vision screening