



Newsletter

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This Week in the Art Room

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We went really wild with painting this week in the Art room! 1L recorded beautiful monster paintings as part of their mixed media sculptures we will be creating to go in the Summer Art show, aptly titled "**Heber Arts Fever!**" on Friday 12th July. Look out for the posters!!

5C were discouraged from using pencils at all, to paint our local trees onto A3 card, thanks to James's Dad in 5S who has kindly donated so many flat pack cardboard pizza boxes, ever resourceful, we have fully utilised these!! I applaud the confidence of 5C who embraced working so experimentally and to such scale.

I cannot wait to see this work finished! Art featured this week is by Uzair and Ivo in 1L and Ben, Hayden, Reuben and Edie in 5C. Amazing painting guys!



Rosemead Prep vs Heber Primary – Netball

We like a challenge at Heber. So, on a very wet and windy Wednesday the school netball team jumped on the Southwark Tigers minibus (the lovely replacement for the nicked bus) and headed to the Rosendale Playing fields. Our opponents being the fearsome Rosemead Prep netball club.

Now is not the time to get into a state vs private sector debate, however it is clear that private schools usually have more resources when it comes to sport. Netball is a sport that private schools are very good at playing. Our girls were walking into a very challenging environment. This challenge was not helped by the knowledge that 7 of our players were unavailable. However, Heber is not short of willing volunteers and we still took 14 girls to the fixture.

Not that long ago our girls, and indeed Mr. Neve-Dunn, had no idea what the letters on the netball bibs actually meant. Those times have gone; the girls now argue about what position best suits their game! Shooting baskets used to be a major challenge because the school had no baskets. On arrival at a match the girls used to look in awe and wonder at the netball hoops – they had never seen them before.

Well, our group of girls performed excellently in the heavy rain. Mr. Neve-Dunn was pleased to notice that not one of them even mentioned that it was raining. He waffled on about 'positive mind beats bad weather' but no one was listening. Thankfully Ava's mum, Sam, was around to guide the teams tactically and spiritually. The result was one draw and one narrow loss against our lovely opponents. We look forward to returning to their netball courts in a couple of weeks.



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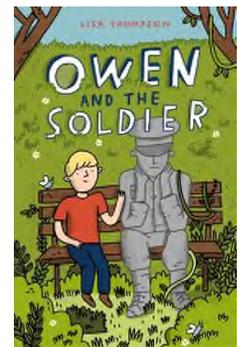
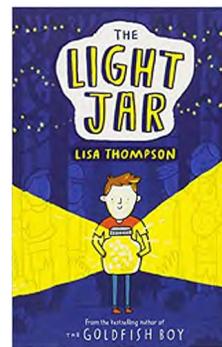
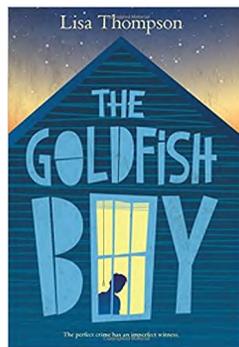
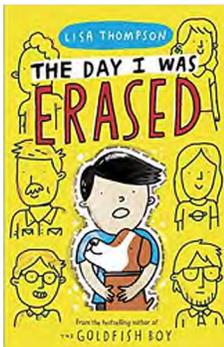
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An Interview with Author, Lisa Thompson

By Thomas Jackson (Year 4)

Did you know it takes around 4 months for Lisa to decide a title name for her books! Around 30-40 people a day ask if she can sign one of her books for them. If you are a fan of Roald Dahl you'd be happy to know that Lisa Thompson was inspired by him. Lisa says the perfect age for her books is 9+ (not that 8 year olds or below can't read them.) In 'The Day I was Erased' there is a dog, a beagle named Monster who is based on a beagle Lisa had called Bonny but sadly passed away. She checks through her entire books around 9 times! 'The Goldfish Boy' is a story for her mum and Lynne, her sister. 'The Light Jar' is for Stuart, her husband Ben and Isobel, her children. And finally 'The Day I was Erased' is for her dad.

If you keep struggling to remember how to spell "apparently", Lisa also continuously forgets too. If you like the sound of Lisa's books look out for the upcoming book 'Owen and the Soldier' which she says is her best book yet.



Year 6 Apprentice Project for Cancer Research

The Apprentice Project is always a highlight of the year. But do you know that the majority of the money we received from you (thanks, by the way) goes to a charity of our choice? This year we are contributing to Cancer Research, which is a brilliant charity dedicated to finding a cure to cancer - no matter how serious. The other 20% is used to fund our amazing school play at Alleen's theatre. This year the grand total raised was **£805.63!**

The winning group this year was Ready, Aim, Fire, with a spectacular total of £140, closely followed by Orbsome Adventure with £130. However, it wasn't as effortless as it seemed. Days were spent hurriedly planning, but the parents' feedback really helped. There you have it. Everything you need to know about the Apprentice Project and more!

Written by Year 6 pupils - Emma 6K, Ellen 6K and Ziki 6K.

Farewell to Mrs. Kyrios... for Now

The time has come to say farewell to Mrs. Kyrios, as she will be beginning her maternity leave after one final week at Heber. We would like to wish Mrs. Kyrios and her family all the very best for the exciting times ahead! Please do find the opportunity to say goodbye before she leaves us on 5th July.

Congratulations to Mr. Elliott, who has been appointed as Acting Deputy Headteacher for the duration of Mrs. Kyrios' maternity leave. Mr. Elliott will continue to lead on Maths across the school and as of September will also lead on Teaching and Learning.



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Weekly Music Awards

The following awards were announced in our weekly Merit Assembly.

KS1: It is difficult to single out Key Stage 1 children from that amazing concert. All our Year 1 and Year 2 children sang, played and participated beautifully. They were able to demonstrate their learning from this year, and with limited time to get it together, they transitioned smoothly from just one main rehearsal. Therefore, all children in Key Stage 1 are recognised as the combined Music Stars of the Week this week.

Lower Key Stage 2: With little (if any) rehearsal time, one superstar musician stepped in to assist the song performances in our first Summer Concert. With the feel of a young Chad Smith, and the time-keeping a young Bernard Purdie, this hero added so much to our concert. We would like to say thank you to Malachi Small-Warden of 3DP by awarding him with the Lower Key Stage 2 Music Star of the Week award.

Upper Key Stage 2: Benjy in 5S kept coming to me with suggestions of children that helped with our concert practice this week, children that helped tune instruments or worked well in teams. He selflessly gave them 'Caught Being Good' tickets for their exploits. He always makes fantastic choices, and our practice went really well because of it.



Music News

Thanks so much for the lovely feedback about our first Summer Concert. We felt proud of what the children have accomplished this year and to share it with you all (and many more: thanks to incredible demand we had to squeeze in as many audience members as we could) was fantastic. However, I am most happy about the feedback from the children. Year 1, 2 and Year 3 children have come up to me about how much they enjoyed being in it, learning new things and showing off their learning, and telling me how keen they are to start on next year's learning and songs! To have children walking around school singing the songs was a magic moment.

And next week it happens all over again! **Thursday 4th July** is the day for the Year 4, 5 and 6 children to perform in front of an audience of parents, relatives and well-wishers at 2:15pm, so please get your ticket from the office before they sell out. See you next week at the concert!



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Stars of the Week

Every Friday staff pick their Stars of the Week from each class. The children can earn this prestigious award for demonstrating one of our core values; Responsibility, Resilience and Thoughtfulness. Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly this week:



Reception – Ishaq (RE) and Skye (RC)

Year 1 – Scarlett (1L) and Swizz (1H)

Year 2 – Molly (2A) and Alice (2B)

Year 3 – Bonnie (3LP) and Talah (3DP)

Year 4 – Freya (4LJ) and Chantai (4E)

Year 5 – Vi (5S) and Marie (5C)

Year 6 – Jenelle (6F) William and Louis (6K)

June

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Sunday 30th (10:00am – 2:00pm) Heber P&F Car Wash

July

Wednesday 3 rd (3:00pm)	3DP – Class Assembly
Wednesday 3 rd	Nursery – Godstone Farm
Thursday 4 th (2:15pm)	Years 4, 5 and 6 Summer Concert
Thursday 4 th	Reception – London Zoo
Friday 5 th	Year 1 – Minnis Bay
Tuesday 9 th	Year 6 Production – Alleyn's theatre
Wednesday 10 th (3:00pm)	4E – Class Assembly
Wednesday 10 th (3:45pm)	Reception to Year 1 transition meeting
Thursday 11 th	After School Clubs finish
Thursday 11 th (3:45pm)	Welcome meeting for new Nursery parents
Friday 12 th	Whole School Open Afternoon
Tuesday 16 th	Sports Day
Friday 19 th (9:30am)	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 19 th	End of term – school closes at 2:00pm