

# HEYBROOK PRIMARY and PRE-SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## Rochdale Music Festival



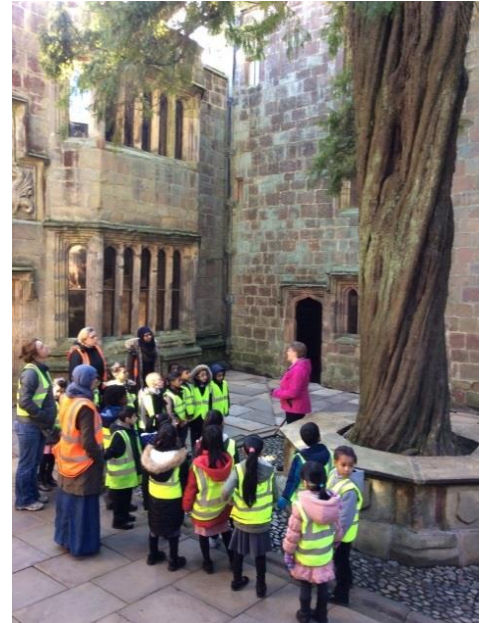
The Children in Year 4 have been rehearsing for the Rochdale Annual Musical Festival for weeks. They played the fifes, drums and sang the Fresh Prince of Bel Air rap, alongside playing the instruments. They played brass instruments too. Many schools from Rochdale took part. We did very well! We were given a Group Performance Certificate presented by a local actor from Rochdale. The children were smart, well behaved, polite and very professional when performing. The Musical Festival gave the children a fantastic opportunity to play in front of a very large audience in a fabulous building. The children performed at Rochdale Town Hall. A big thank you to all the parents who came to support the children and an even bigger thanks to our wonderful Music Service, who do an amazing job, teaching the children a variety of musical instruments.



Well done to our Brass club who played beautifully at the Music Festival.

## Skipton Castle Visit

– As part of their History topic Year 1 have been learning about Castles. The children had the opportunity to explore Skipton Castle to make links



with what they have been learning at school. The day included a guided tour. The children asked fantastic questions about this period of time from the past and had a picnic and explored the castle grounds. Miss Drury was mesmerised by the amazing Yew Tree, which Lady Anne Clifford planted in 1659.



Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Hollingworth Lake as part of their science work. They explored the woods looking for mini-beasts, went pond dipping

for bugs and found out how rivers are made and changed. Ray Stearns from Rochdale Library Service also led a wonderful session where children experimented with many different types of drums. What a great day!"

**HALF TERM HOLIDAY-** School will close for Easter holidays on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 3.15pm. Pupils return on **Monday 11th April**. We wish all our pupils a safe and happy holiday!



Thank you parents for supporting your child's attendance at Drama Club. We are very proud of how hard the children are working on their speaking skills.



*Drama Club performing for Parents*

Well done to all the pupils for working so hard this term, especially to our Achievement Prize winners.



Parents please check your child's hair regularly for head lice. We are experiencing some outbreaks. Special preparations for treatment are available from the chemist.

### Dates for your Diary

- 11<sup>th</sup> April - Pupils return
- 9<sup>th</sup> May - Year 6 SATs week
- 27<sup>th</sup> May - Break for Summer half term
- 6<sup>th</sup> June - Pupils Return
- 28<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 High School Induction day
- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> July - School closed to pupils
- 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Waddow Hall
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Break for Summer holidays



Pre-school have been talking about books this week. The children have enjoyed bringing their favourite book in from home and reading it with the class. Reception children have enjoyed using the Outdoor area and learning about Spring.



Yeas 6 have been taking part in the Earthworks Project at Falinge Park High school. They have been creating art work, which will be displayed at the Peoples' History Museum in Manchester on Sunday 19th June 2016 (between 10:00am and 3:00pm). To learn more about this project please visit <http://earthworks.falingepark.com/>

Year 6 have had specialist dance teacher, Jenny Wystanoha, come in to lead PE lessons and work with



teachers and pupils on understanding identity.

Four children have been chosen for the Cave Man

Camp - An Outdoor Adventure-which is an opportunity for Y6 pupils, from our collaborative group of feeder primary schools, to work together whilst learning about their identity and importance of community.

- Pupils will learn about the Neolithic communities, practising and developing skills including trust, shelter building, cooking, art and team work whilst recreating a cave man lifestyle.

- This will take place over a 6 week period at Falinge Park High School. The last session in April is our final camp out night.