# HEYBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY NEWSLETTER



October 2017

## Message from Mr Stanley

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents, carers and grandparents for the way they have welcomed me into the community. It has been a pleasure to meet so many of you during my first half term at Heybrook and I look forward to working in partnership with you in the years ahead to achieve the very best for our children.

I feel very lucky to be the headteacher of this school. The staff are dedicated to their work and the children are well behaved and polite. I am confident that we can all work together to ensure that our school continues to provide an excellent education for our pupils.

If you would like to discuss any issue with me please feel free to come and talk to me on the yard in the morning or the afternoon. Alternatively, you are welcome to email me at <a href="mailto:pstanley@heybrook.org">pstanley@heybrook.org</a>.

Have a good half term.

Mr Stanley

## **School Council**

Congratulations to our new School Councillors, they were chosen by their class to represent them. The School Council meet regularly to discuss issues and how they can improve facilities. Members are:

Zahra Khan (Orange), Aleesha Zaheer (Saffron), Areeba Awais (Amber), Zain Mohammed (Buttercup), Faiza Begum (Yellow), Najam Rahman (Marigold), Amyra Shakeel (Jade), Hajish Kamran (Green), Malika Khan (Emerald), Habiba Begum (Aqua), Safa Nissa (Blue), Habiba Owais (Turquoise), Moin Waheed (Cobalt), Falak Hussain (Azure), Mohammed Rahim Hussain (Indigo), Alina Faraz (Purple), Ubaid Khan (Violet), Aliha Begum (Lilac), Jahid Ahmed (Lavender). **Team 1 –** We have had a fantastic first half term at our Nursery. The staff have really enjoyed welcoming all our new children and parents. We are holding an open day on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. There are free funded places available for 2,3 and 4 year olds, come along to view our lovely nursery and meet our dedicated team. There will be activities to enjoy for all the family.



Team 2 - In Reception the children have settled well into their classes. We have been exploring our new school and learning about nursery rhymes. The children have enjoyed taking part in an Autumn walk and making new friends. Team 2 staff would like to thank all parents and carers for all of their support this half term.

Team 3 - There have been a lot of changes this term, especially for our Year 1 children who have settled extremely well into Key Stage 1. Keep up the good work everyone! In Year 2 we have been learning all about the Great Fire of London. In Art, we had fun making our own Tudor houses, before



setting fire to them and watching the flames spread. We also enjoyed our first school trip to Staircase House

### **School Uniform**



At Heybrook we wish all our pupils to feel proud of their school. It is important that they dress correctly. Please can you ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform.

#### School Uniform consists of:

- · Black or Dark Grey trousers or skirt/pinafore
- · White shirt or polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan with the school logo (available from school or Tesco website)
- · Black school shoes, trainers are **not** allowed.
- Girls must wear black hijabs only.

Applications for Reception 2018– If your child's birthday is between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 they are due to start school in September 2018. Applications must be completed online, if you require assistance please contact the office. Closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

**Secondary School Applications** – all Year 6 pupils should have received a form to apply for High School. The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017. If you have not received an application form please contact Pupil Services at the Local Authority on 925982.

**Sports news** - On Monday 16th October,

Heybrook participated in the annual Cross Country Tournament at Falinge Park High school where they competed against 4 other schools. There were 2 races, a boys' and a girls' event. 4 boys and 4 girls participated in stormy conditions and points were rewarded to each child according to the position they finished. Mr Zahid and Mr Hussain, who accompanied the children said, "We are extremely proud of everyone who took part. To finish second overall is a fantastic achievement considering the high level of competition the children faced and the strong winds on the day."

Museum in Stockport.

Team 4 - Team four have had an excellent start to the new school year. Year 3 have enjoyed reading The Dragon Machine, with some classes making their very own. They have also enjoyed learning how to animate in their computing lessons using the programme Scratch. Year 4 have enjoyed starting their swimming experiences and have been learning about the stone age.

Team 5 - Year 5 have been reading the Cloud Tea Monkeys in their English lessons and have really enjoyed learning about the tea plantations. They have created some excellent pieces of writing about characters from the story and have even enjoyed a spot of tea tasting for themselves! Year 6 have been reading The Giant's Necklace by Michael Morpurgo in their English lessons and have enjoyed the shock twist at the end of the story. They have taken on the persona of a character from the text to create pieces of writing which have been really imaginative and detailed. We would like to remind children in Years 5 and 6 to continue to read over the break and write detailed comments about their books using the writing prompts inside the front cover of their reading records. Year 6 will also have work in their homework books to complete. We hope that you enjoy the break!

### **After School Clubs**

We have a number of exciting clubs after school. If your child is interested in joining, please see Mrs Tahir in school.

Mon	Music, Dodgeball KS2
Tues	Football Y5/6, Craft Y5/6, Karate Rec, Y1/2/3
Wed	Football Y4, Craft Y1/2
Thur	Cooking Y1/2, Multi Sports Craft Y3/4
Fri	Karate Y4/5/6

#### **Dates for your Diary**

30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Staff training

31st Oct - Pupils return

22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Y5 to Oldham Coliseum

7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y6 to Oldham Coliseum

12<sup>th</sup> Dec – FS & Y1 - Aladdin Panto visit at school

13<sup>th</sup> Dec - Year 3 & 4 Panto at Middleton Arena

20h Dec – Break for Christmas Holidays

4th Jan - Pupils return

#### HALF TERM HOLIDAY

School will close for half term on Friday 20th October at 3.15pm. Pupils return on **Tuesday** 31st October. We wish everyone a safe holiday!