



Hemdean House Headteacher's Letter

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This has been a very successful week for the children at Hemdean House. The week started well with the choir taking part in the Musical Festival at the Hexagon. Despite it being a long day the children fortified with pizzas, gave a wonderful performance in the evening and thoroughly entered into the spirit of the event.

Mrs. Parker was called onto the stage along with the other music teachers from other schools to receive a well-deserved bunch of flowers for all her hard work in preparing the choir for this event

Well done to the children and Mrs. Parker.

Mrs. McMillan's class had an enjoyable trip to Reading Museum and the Victorian classroom there. The children had previously talked about aspects of their learning of the Victorians in their class assembly. They have been working hard this term learning about the Victorians so this trip was an experience that added to all they had learned in class.

While Year five were at the Museum a group of children took part in the 'Spelling Bee' at Queen Anne's school and did very well competing against lots of other schools. They all had an enjoyable time and came away with 'goody bags'.

Forthcoming events

Monday 21st November staff are all attending training provided by Reading Borough Council on 'assessment and planning'. This is an after school event so there will be **no homework club** on this day

The PTA are busily planning Christmas activities. More details will follow in future letters but one date to put in your diary is **Wednesday 7th December**, just for the fun of the season we will be having a Christmas sweater day so if children have a Christmas sweater they can wear those on that day and start to get into the spirit of the season.



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Ephemeral Circle

Year 2 have been looking at an artist/sculptor Andy Goldsworthy, and inspired by his work have created this Ephemeral Circle. It really shows the beauty of nature at this time of year



Kelly Robinson

Christmas Baking

We are super organized in reception.



Christmas cakes done!



Marie Dickason



Christmas Decorations

We know we are early but we have lots to do in the run up to Christmas. All the children have been making the tree decorations.

Amiyah has been very creative this morning and designed her own, we particularly like A4 card



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