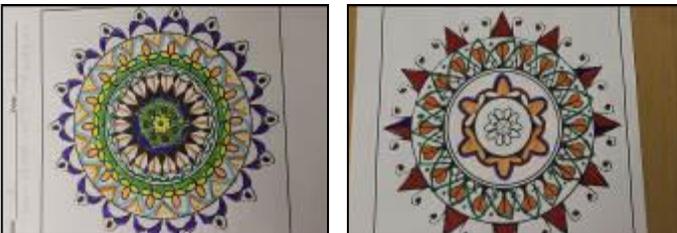
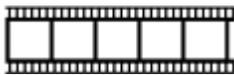




What a great start to the academic year! Firstly, we would like to wish a warm welcome to all our new parents, pupils and staff. Our new Year 3 children have settled and adapted very well to the routines of school life at Heacham Junior School.

The children have embraced their topic 'Lights, Camera, Action' and are eagerly anticipating their trip to Harry Potter World later this term.

The children in Year 3/4 have been busy completing Mission 1 of the Big Writing Adventures ~ 'Superheroes'. This has involved inventing some dazzling super heroes to write about! In mathematics they have been exploring written methods for addition and subtraction, as well as further developing their problem solving and reasoning skills during number sense sessions in the afternoons.



Our topic has meant that the children have got creative designing Harry Potter movie posters using printing techniques. In RE the children have been learning and retelling the story of Rama and Sita. They have also decorated rangoli patterns and have moulded and shaped clay to create their own diva lamps which are associated with Divali.

In science they have been learning about light and electricity. The children have explored light, reflections and shadows, identifying sources of light and recognising how shadows change size throughout the day.



Classes S5 and B5/6 have been busy completing Mission 1 of the Big Writing Adventures ~ 'Animals in Danger'. This has led to them writing reports about some of our planet's most endangered species including rhinos and orangutans. This unit will conclude with the children creating their own radio broadcasts! The Year 6 children have been researching the life of Charlie Chaplin, producing some well written biographies. They have also been exploring the features of, and writing, play scripts.

The children have been working on place value, securing their understanding of the four operations and investigating the properties of different shapes in mathematics. In addition to this, they have been consolidating their times tables knowledge as this is such an integral part of their work.

In science the children have been learning about light, sound and electricity. They have been getting 'hands on' creating circuits, learning to represent them using symbols and diagrams. In sound, the children have attempted to create instruments which make no noise at all!



Our House Captains



We are pleased to introduce our House Captains for this academic year. They are responsible for motivating and leading their respective teams. They also count house points ready for achievement assembly every Monday.

Friends of Heacham Junior School

The first 'Friends' meeting of the year was held on Friday 15th September and members got straight to work organising many fund raising events for the autumn term.

Forthcoming events include:

- Family Bingo Evening on Friday 17th November, 6.00-8.00pm;
- Christmas Hampers/Raffle to be held at the end of term Christmas Performance;
- Christmas disco on Thursday 14th December, 4-6pm.

These events are being held to raise much needed funds for the benefit of all our pupils. These funds have already paid for the coaches transporting the children to Harry Potter World which has helped to reduce the cost passed onto parents. Funds have also paid for a seasonal pantomime - 'Peter Pan' to be held in school in the New Year.



We would like to introduce our School Council representatives for this academic year, 2017-18.



What are the roles and responsibilities of the School Council?

- To express both their own views and those of other children.
- To communicate their feelings to adults.
- To attend regular meetings and conferences.
- To give up some of their personal time.
- To help make positive changes.

Christmas Production

Mrs Seymour is busy holding auditions in preparation for this year's Christmas production ~ 'It's Christmas'. There will be two performances in school; the first will be on Tuesday 12th December at 1.30pm and the second on Wednesday 13th December at 6pm.



Carol Service

Please don't forget the Village Carol Service on 17th December at 6pm. It would be wonderful to see some of the children there to perform a couple of the Christmas songs we have learnt in school.

Notice Board

Parking Notice

Please be considerate of our neighbours when parking along the roads outside our school. Do not use the school car park (unless given permission) to drop off or collect your child as it poses a risk to the children/adults using it.

Parent Consultations

Our parent consultation evenings will be held in school on **Tuesday 31st October and Wednesday 1st November**. Please ensure that you have booked an appointment to see your child's teacher.

COMING SOON



'The Big Spotaclar' takes place on Friday 17th November. We will be fundraising in support of this event. In exchange for a £1 donation children can come to school wearing non-uniform with a spotty theme. Send your child into school with some loose change and they will also get an opportunity to cover a giant Pudsey in coins!

The snack trolley will be selling Pudsey biscuits for 50p.