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Hothfield News

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What a Performance!

Each year, we want Hothfielders to have a chance to shine in a performance on stage... and the Year 4s certainly shone in their production of 'The Pirates of the Curry Bean' last week. All involved performed with confidence and made this a memorable production for all. Well done to all involved.



Lots more news and photographs of school life on the Hothfield Blog – just google Hothfield Blog or click on the link from the Hothfield website... Please do leave a comment – the children love it when you do!

Buzzing About the Spelling Bee

Children are buzzing about spelling when the termly Spelling Bee comes around. Classes compete to hold their Year Group's Spelling Bee Trophy by spelling as many as possible of the National Curriculum Spelling List Words for their year group. These are pretty tricky – for example, 'favourite' in Year 3; 'separate' in Year 4; 'accommodate' in Year 5; and 'guarantee' in Year 6. The full list can be found on the Curriculum Page of the website.

Well done to 3Rowan; 4Weasels; 5Saturn and Mars (it was an exact tie!) and 6Ingleborough for collecting the Spelling Trophy this time. Keep learning those spellings for the next Bee, children!

Skipton Rotary Club thanked local schools for supporting the Shelterbox charity by holding a tea party on Monday evening. Hothfield were represented by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the School Council – Lucie and Harvey – who collected a special plaque for Hothfield in recognition of the School Council's fundraising for Shelterbox. They were also able to step inside one of the Shelterbox tents which are sent to parts of the world where people have lost their homes and need shelter.



Open School comments

It was good to host some visitors to Open School Week last week – not so many this year but I understand that visiting the school during the working week is not always possible...

For the benefit of those not able to visit, here are the comments of the parents that did:

- Really good to see the lessons taking place in school! Very polite children. Good to see my child at school too.

- I was impresses by the quiet and studious atmosphere in the school. All the pupils I encountered were very polite.

- The two children who showed me around were very polite and informative. All the classes were busy working hard and it was lovely to be greeted by the Class Communicator

- Thanks to J____ and F___ for showing me round. Very informative and I enjoyed seeing the school and the students at 'work' rather than after school at a Parents Meeting.

- All children were extremely pleasant and helpful. Classrooms were well behaved and it was a real pleasure to gain an insight into their working week at Hothfield! (Also good to see my own children working!)

If you were not able to come last week but would like the opportunity to tour the school during the school day, please get in touch with the office to arrange...

The first of the Hothfield 3 Peaks Walks is on Saturday – climbing Pen-y-Ghent. This is a wonderful opportunity to walk each of the three peaks in the company of other Hothfielders. The children get a great sense of achievement as they are presented with their certificates for 'conquering the mountains' by Mr Carey in assembly.

Just meet at the Wesley Place Car Park at 8am Saturday.

The School Council chose to support Red Nose Day as our good cause this half term – and with the sale of red noses and the non-uniform day raised £519! Well done.

Uniform

We have received samples of our new Silsden Primary School uniform for September – these were on display at Parents Evening this week. Full details of the new uniform and how we want to move to the new colours without parents having to incur any additional cost will be available in June.

For the summer term this year, I know that some girls like to wear red gingham summer dresses. If you are buying a new summer dress and want your child to be able to wear this in September too, then please buy purple gingham (available online at both Asda and Tesco). It will be fine for girls to wear either red or purple gingham dresses this summer.

After seventeen years teaching service at Hothfield, Mrs Fairburn retires from teaching on Friday to switch to pastures new. I would like to thank Mrs Fairburn for her service to Hothfield pupils past and present and wish her all the best for her new endeavours...

We finish for the Easter holidays at the usual time on Friday with children returning for the summer term on Monday 24th April. There will be Buns and Biscuits on Friday as well as our regular Easter Service at St James where children learn about the Easer story and sing songs of Easter.