



ISSUE NO.26 , FRIDAY 13TH JUNE

# EAST HARPTREE NEWSLETTER



**Congratulations to our Stars of the Week  
and Head Teacher's Award winners.**



Each week we celebrate children's achievements outside of school in our Celebration Assembly. We love hearing about all the activities the children do.

## **RNLI Water Safety Sessions**

Last week, Sally Benwell, a volunteer from the RNLI spoke to Fox, Squirrel and Otter classes. (She had visited already Hedgehog class in January). She talked about the importance of water safety when visiting rivers, lakes, reservoirs and the coast and what to do if someone got into difficulties. The children listened well and Sally commented on how engaged they were with the discussions. Thank you to Sally for giving up her day to visit us and talking to us about the work of the charity.

## Reversible and Irreversible Reactions Experiment

In Otter class, the children really enjoyed doing some practical experiments to support their learning in Science about reversible and irreversible reactions. This included putting vinegar into a small bottle and bicarbonate of soda into a balloon. The balloon was placed over the top of the bottle and the bicarbonate of soda fell into the vinegar. A chemical reaction took place and carbon dioxide was released. This inflated the balloon. Ava T said "It was a really fun experiment", Frank said "I was worried the vinegar would go all over me but it was Ok" and Dottie N said "It was interesting to see how big the balloons got. More bicarbonate of soda meant the balloon got bigger. Lots of carbon dioxide was produced".

The children also learnt about reversible reactions, such as salt mixing with water.  
Great work Otter class!



## **Cancer Research Craft and Bake Sale**

A message from Rosie H's family:

"We just want to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the bake and craft sale! Everyone put so much effort into making their cakes and jewellery - we were wowed by their efforts! Thanks also to all the students and parents for supporting the bake sale by buying all the treats! Finally thanks to the staff - we really appreciate your support. We raised a whopping £164.56 which we have paid in on the giving page below."

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/hetherington-bake-sale>



## Hindu Temple Visit



On Wednesday, Squirrel class visited a Hindu Temple in Bristol. This trip helped the children to build on their learning in the classroom and ask lots of questions about Hinduism and how the Temple is used. The priest explained to the children that Hindus believe in one God but that God can take lots of forms. He used Mrs Banks as an example of being one person, but she is our teacher, a friend to others, a daughter, a mother, a good neighbour and a wife as a way of explaining this to the children. Annabel said "The temple was very colourful", Harley said "I liked looking at the pictures and flowers" and Bonnie said "We had to remember not to point our toes at the God's as this would be disrespectful." The children were very respectful and engaged - well done Squirrel class!

## Sports Day Superstars

On Monday we held our annual Sports Day at East Harptree Playing Field. Well done to everyone who took part - including the parents! Congratulations to Long Eared owls who were the overall winners and thank you to the PTA for the lollies.



## Sleep Webinar for Parents/Carers of primary aged children

The School Aged Health Service are pleased to offer a FREE webinar to support parents and carers of primary aged children whose children are struggling with sleep. The session will take place on the 18th of June 11:00-12:00.

If you would like to attend, please use the link below to sign up.  
We encourage you to join them for this valuable session!

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/58cc0088-b114-46df-a762-836b09045be0@2c2b1ee0-a8a1-49e6-a820-5ce4890cf466>

### **East Harptree Fete - volunteers needed**

On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2-5pm at East Harptree Playing field the PTA will be helping to run the village fete. This is a wonderful event to bring the community together and raise funds for the school and church. Volunteers are needed to help sell refreshments, run games, supervise the bouncy castle and clear away. If you can help for an hour or two we would really appreciate! Please contact Charlotte Seavill, Sam Watson or the school office if you can help. Thank you!



## **ESSENTIAL DATES**

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – KS1 Mobile Library visit

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Bib Tails event (PE Kit required)

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Mufti Day – bring a bottle for the fete

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - KS2 Mobile library visit

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2-5pm East Harptree Village fete (Playing Field)

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – KS1 Mobile library visit

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Year 6 Leavers Service 9.30am

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July End of Term

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – end of term 6. PTA picnic at the park 3.30pm onward (Bring your own!)