



Friday 21st June 2024

Dear parents and carers,

This week's newsletter looks a bit different as Sway is not playing this week! We are busy in report writing season getting ready for the end of year and preparing for all the performances and celebrations that come with the end of the academic year.

Here is this week's news:

Year 6 at Skern

What an amazing weekend we have had in North Devon! Year 6 were an absolute credit to our school as they challenged themselves (and supported each other) through a number of activities. This three-night residential trip to Skern Lodge is always a highlight of the year, but this year was one to remember. From the dizzy heights of the climb and abseil tower to riding the waves on Westward Ho! beach, our children had a fantastic time and made the most of every moment. They certainly made Hearsall staff very proud, and were complemented by the Skern staff on their organisation, manners and determination. We can't wait for next year! Sign-up letters will be coming out to Year 5 in the coming weeks, so make sure you don't miss out!





This week's assembly

Yesterday, children across the school joined in with the 'Great Big Live Assembly' to celebrate World Refugee Day. During this live event, we heard from young people, from all over the world, who have been displaced due to conflict or persecution. We listened to their stories of resilience and how they have overcome adversities which links to the overall theme of Refugee Week 2024: Our Home.

In classes, we have discussed what home means to each of us from a place of refuge, a feeling or a state of mind. We have discussed how it can be found in smells, tastes or sounds; from the clothes we wear to the words we grow up with; in food, music and arts; in our cultures and in our landscapes. Home can be in more than one place and finding it can be a journey, as it has been for many people in our community. We talked about the simple everyday acts in which we can stand in solidarity with refugees and make new connections in our communities.

Here at Hearsall, we are incredibly proud to celebrate our diversity and understand that taking part in events like this assembly allows for our families to feel represented.





Year 3

It has been a very exciting week in year 3! This week in English, we have been learning about persuasive writing. Our trip this week is to Tudor World and in our writing next week, we will be creating a leaflet to persuade our Year 3 parents to visit Tudor World! In one of our lessons this week, we used our oracy skills to persuade our partner to do something in different scenarios. We will be using our persuasion skills when we write our leaflets next week!



Year 4

What a week we have had in Year 4! We began the week by writing a persuasive leaflet, encouraging people to go to Stratford to visit the home of William Shakespeare. This then led nicely into our trip on Thursday! We had a wonderful day learning all about the Tudor's and their lives back then. The children couldn't believe how different things, like punishment, were done then. A couple of children/teachers experienced the stocks whilst other children threw fake food at them. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all!





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- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/listen-up-speak-up/>

Well Done to this week’s merit winners

Barney, Peter, Malachi, Kashvika, Jaxon, Noah, Leyla, Florin, Mohamed, Raife, Arham and Eve



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We hope you have a lovely weekend,

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