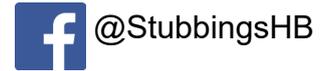


## April Newsletter



We hope that you all had a brilliant Easter break and that you have been able to enjoy the sunshine!



The children have been enjoying spending time outside learning and playing.

As the weather is still a bit 'changeable' please send your child with a coat and a long sleeved layer. On sunny days please send a sun hat so that the children can continue to play outside safely.

### Dates for your diary

- Monday 3rd May:** Bank Holiday
- Friday 7th May:** NSPCC Number Day
- Wednesday 12th May:** Wellbeing Wednesday
- Wednesday 26th May:** Class Photos
- Friday 28th May:** School closes for Half Term
- Monday 7th June:** School reopens

### Parking

Please be considerate to the people that live close to school when parking your car. There has been occasions recently when local residents have been blocked in. Thank you for your help with this matter.



### NSPCC Number Day

On Friday the 7th of May we will be taking part in lots of number based activities to celebrate the day as well as learning about the work of the NSPCC. We look forward to sharing what we learn.



### Drinks

Please continue to send your child with a drink of **water** each day rather than juice. You can also order milk through 'Cool Milk'. Please speak to the school office



<https://www.coolmilk.com/>



## Saplings and Great Oaks

We are all very excited about our new topic 'The Great Fire of London'. We began by learning about London, we now know it is the capital city of England and can name many famous landmarks. This week we travelled back in time to 1666 to a rather different London. We compared objects from the past and present before cooking a traditional Tudor meal of pottage and bread. We loved the bread, but the pottage had mixed reviews! We finally found out about some jobs from 1666. Do you know what a gong farmer does? Well, they had the delightful job of emptying the privies and cess pits. Next week we will find out about the key events of the Great Fire and we can't wait!



## Little Acorns

The children were excited to come back from the Easter break to find our classroom had completely changed! There is even a self-serve playdough station! There was much excitement as we discovered the home corner had 'moved house' and the areas were in different places. We are enjoying learning in the new quiet and noisy zones.

Our topic has got off to a great start. We have loved observing the tadpoles and can tell you about the changes we have noticed such as the tails and bodies getting longer. On Thursday our caterpillars arrived so we are so excited to be able to watch them grow and change.

We have read the Tiny seed by Eric Carle and learnt about the seeds in different fruits and vegetables. We cannot wait to compare the sunflowers, salad leaves, herbs and nasturtiums we have planted.

In the water we have been experimenting with floating and sinking and using pipettes and syringes to get our finger muscles strong and to sink the frogs and lily pads.

We have been enjoying exploring the secret garden, searching for mini-beasts, hiding in the trees, digging in the gravel and mud and doing some gardening!

## Clean Up Our Community

Hebden Royd Town Council has launched a Clean Up Our Community Poster Competition for 4 - 11 year olds inspired by Lottie Cliff, a 7 year old from Hebden Bridge; an ex pupil of Stubbings who is now at Riverside, who wrote a letter to Hebden Royd Town Council Mayor Cllr Val Stevens, to express her concern at the amount of litter in Calder Holmes Park.

There are 6 prizes to be won and the winning anti-litter posters will be displayed in the towns and parks of Hebden Royd. Entries to be sent to [info@hebdenroydtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@hebdenroydtowncouncil.gov.uk) by Friday, 14 May.



# CLEAN UP OUR COMMUNITY POSTER COMPETITION

Calling all local 4 to 11-year olds - we need your help! Our community spring clean campaign launches soon and we would love you to create anti-litter posters to be displayed in our parks and towns.

**6 PRIZES TO BE WON!**  
3 WINNERS & 3 RUNNERS UP

### HOW TO TAKE PART

Hebden Royd Town Council are looking for inspiring, colourful and unique poster designs that will encourage residents and visitors of Hebden Royd to look after our beautiful environment and not litter.

- Enter the competition by sending a picture of your finished design to [info@hebdenroydtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@hebdenroydtowncouncil.gov.uk) by Friday 14 May. Parents/guardians please include a contact email or telephone number and your child's name and age.
- Posters will be judged by Cllr Val Stevens and 6 winners will be picked on Thursday 20 May.
- Prizes will be split into age groups (4 - 6yrs, 7 - 9yrs & 10 - 11yrs). Each group will have one winner (£15 Silly Billy's voucher) and a runners up £10 voucher.



**GOOD LUCK!**