



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

### Diary Dates:

Mon 1 June – Staff Training Day, No Children in School  
Tue 2 June – Children back after half term  
Fri 5 June – Hazel class Sharing Assembly, 2.40pm  
Fri 5 June – Hazel class Bun Day  
Sat 13 June – Summer Fair

### Letters sent out to parents this week:

- The Big Write
- Seaside Lunch Flier
- 1<sup>st</sup> Step Sports Flier
- Open Farm Sunday Flier
- Year 5 Careers Convention
- Birch class trip to Mountfitchet Castle

### Communications with School

A reminder that all school communications should be through the school office, including emails for the teachers. Thank you.

### School Library

Sorry for the delay, but the children's barcodes for the Junior librarian system are now stuck in their reading record or home school book. Thank you, Miss Peck.

### Non-uniform Day - Friday 5th June 2015

There will be a non-uniform donation day on Friday 5th June. We kindly ask that children bring in an item for the summer fair. Please see parentmail, or check bookbags, for class hamper details and other items you can donate. Thank you in advance for your support. PTFA

### Prize for the class which sells the most raffle tickets!

Summer Fair Raffle Tickets are going home in book bags today. The class which sells the most raffle tickets per pupil will win a free movie night (inc. free tuck shop with ice cream, popcorn and drinks). The winning class will vote for a movie of their choice. Tickets should be returned to the office in an envelope with the pupil's name and class clearly marked by Wednesday 10th June. Additional tickets are available at the office. Many thanks PTFA.

### Open Farm Sunday

Manor Farm, Harlton will be taking part in Open Farm Sunday on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-4pm. There will be a craft fair, bouncy castle and hog roast.

### Headteacher's Bulletin

On Tuesday many parents took the opportunity to come into their child's classroom and see the work they have been doing; children happily showing parents where to look! We have a range of clubs that run during the mornings for children and on Tuesday morning I counted thirty-two children in school shortly after 8am shared between Ballet Club, Coding Club, Boys Football Club and Games Club; I was pleased to see children participate in these extra curricular learning opportunities while having fun! Today, the children in KS1 and 2 were able to meet a lady who has taught in Nepal, which tied in nicely with our Nepal 'flag colour' non-uniform day. Yesterday, I was proud to hear that one of our recent ex pupils has just accepted a place at the Royal Academy of Music in London at only fourteen; we continue to create opportunities for children to excel in music, thanks to our strong team of six peripatetic teachers, our instrument specialist and outstanding music teaching! Also, Mrs Jukes continues to provide excellent opportunities for children to perform – the orchestra is sounding great!

Mr McLeod

# Newsletter

## Summer Term 2015

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### Costume Department Stall for Summer Fair

The Costume Department are running a water & wine stall at the school summer fair on Sat June 13th and are asking for donations of wine please. They must have a screw top but can be red, white or rose. Bottles (or cash donations towards bottles) may be dropped in at the school office for our attention or given to either one of us. We will also need empty bottles to fill with water. Many thanks for your support, Andrea Bowyer & Lise Jackson

### Family Fun Day

The PE department at Comberton Village College are holding a 3K Race for Life and Family fun day at Comberton VC on Saturday 20th June, 11am-2pm. The 3K race for life will be on the school field and all proceeds from the race will be donated to Cancer Research. Following the race there will be a family fun day which will involve activities such as trampolining, tennis, rounders, badminton, U5's fun run, football and much more. All proceeds from the family fun day to the Ally Brennan Trust. For more info visit [www.combertonvc.org](http://www.combertonvc.org).

### Haslingfield Little Owls Treasurer

Haslingfield Little Owls Pre-School is looking for a new Treasurer to commence in September 2015. The Treasurer will be on the Little Owls committee that meets a few times a year and the role is mainly responsible for bank reconciliations, updating the management accounts, reporting to the committee and submitting the final year end accounts to the Charities Commission (approx. 2-3 hours a month). Ideally they will be a qualified accountant however they do not need to have a child at Little Owls; Please contact Kim Clark if you are interested or have any queries on 07723 533613.

### Tuesday Morning Football

As the football season draws to a close so too does the Tuesday morning Football training with the last session on Tuesday 19th May. I'd like to thank all the Children that have attended each week in the cold, rain and occasional sunshine and hope that they have enjoyed it as much as I have. A huge thank you also to Miss Peck for setting it all up in the first place. At the moment there are no confirmed plans for next Season (starting in September) however if your child would be interested in continuing or indeed starting Football training, where our focus is on having fun above all else, do please drop me an email ([mattqueen@btinternet.com](mailto:mattqueen@btinternet.com)). Matt Queen.

### Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

We have been busy preparing for our beach party in Ash class this week. The children wrote lists of things we needed to remember and thought carefully about all of the different things we could do. On Thursday, the day finally arrived and the sunshine came out for the occasion. We had a great day splashing in our pretend sea, making sandcastles and playing beach games. The children were very excited when they found out we were having an ice pop and snacks too. In PE this week we used the large apparatus in the hall, we did lots of climbing and swinging on the ropes! Our first Big Write after half term will be based on the story of the very hungry caterpillar. If you can talk about the story with the children and encourage them to think of wow words to describe the butterfly in the story that would be fantastic. Wishing you all a great half term!

- Literacy – writing lists, writing about our beach party
- Numeracy – sharing, telling the time- o'clock.



### Birch – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

This week we went back to look again at fairy tales but this time with a twist. We read The Paper Bag Princess and enjoyed seeing a Prince and Princess in different roles. We then had a go at adding a twist or unusual ending to some other fairy tales. In maths we have been revising all the areas we covered this half term and getting the chance to show everyone what we have learned. We have finished up our plants topic by looking at plants in other environments and how they are different from the plants we find here. We even looked at 2 different environments within the school playground and how that affected the plants.

For our "Big Write" on the first Friday back we will be writing instructions for trapping a dragon! It would be helpful if you could discuss ideas for this and suggest some vocabulary or 'wow' words that the children could use.

Would any parents able to help with swimming on a Monday morning or Thursday afternoon please come and talk to one of us. Thank you.

- Literacy - speaking and listening - working as a group; talking about what we have listened to, taking turns and listening to what others have to say
- Numeracy - revision and assessment

Show and Tell: Elizabeth, Zach and Stanley



### Hazel – Miss Hall:

We have been working very hard this week in Hazel class during our have a go week. Well done to the children for all their effort and concentration. They have been doing an excellent job. We hope that you have a lovely half term and enjoy the first week back, when we will be doing our class assembly. Our next Big Write will be a piece of animal poetry.

Show and Tell: Charlotte and Sally

### Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

This week in Hawthorn class we have been learning about poetry. We have learnt about calligrams and written our own. We have also read a selection of descriptive poems and chosen our favourite. In numeracy we have been learning about angles. We have been identifying acute, obtuse and right angles and have been identifying these in shapes. We have also been measuring angles using a protractor and recognising different triangles. As part of our topic work this week we have been designing and making our own model biplanes using art straws. The children have really enjoyed this and have done a fantastic job. Our topic for our next 'Big Write' is to create a portrait poem about an animal of their choice.

- Literacy – To create a calligram.
- Numeracy – To recognise acute, obtuse and right angles. To identify different types of triangles.



### Oak – Miss Wernham:

We have finally finished our miniature seaside town and it looks absolutely fantastic! We hope to display it centrally (somewhere!) in the school!

Our next 'Big Write' will be an information text based on our new Science topic 'Sound'. It would be helpful if your child could research some facts about sound in preparation for their writing.

- Literacy – To write a story ending using good vocabulary, a variety of openers, good punctuation and a range of connectives.
- Numeracy – to understand 'rotational symmetry'. To estimate different measures using a range of strategies.



### Beech – Mrs Petty:

This week we have been busy preparing for our class assembly, learning songs and re-writing one of Shakespeare's comedies, 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. It has been very difficult to turn a two hour play into a twenty five minute assembly but the children have risen to the occasion. In addition to this, we have written reports about the events in Nepal and the on-going fundraising, especially at our school. In science, we completed our investigations about forces in the air. Thank you to all parents who helped make cakes for Bun Day. Wishing you all a relaxing break and looking forward to our next half term.

Our Big Write session on the first Friday after half term will be about endangered species. It would be very beneficial if you could discuss this concept with your child and focus on researching one specific animal that is endangered, looking at the reasons why and what could be done to prevent this.



### Spanish

Hawthorn class have been learning the alphabet in Spanish and how to talk about their families. Their homework is to learn a dialogue to present in class after half term. Beech class completed a short assessment this week and demonstrated their ability to extend their language using a variety of opinions and connectives.