



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

Mon 12 – Parents Evening 3.30pm
Tue 13 – Parents Evening 5.30pm
Tue 13 – Individual School Photographs (Family Groups 8.30am)
We 14 & Thur 15 – Big Draw
Fri 16 – Hawthorn Trip to Celtic Harmony
Tue 20 – KS2 Teaching Literacy Information Evening

Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Mural on Traverse Wall
- Data Collection sheet
- Hawthorn Class Trip, Celtic Harmony

School Meal Costs

Reminder that School meals now cost £2.25 per meal. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

I know it seems a bit early but we are designing and making our Christmas cards in school this week to help raise money for the PTFA. Your children should come home with a sample card at the beginning of November and then you will be able to order lots of them to send out to friends and family. So hold off buying them for now and watch this space... Mrs Hollins

Harvest Service Teas

Thank you to everyone who donated to the PTFA at the Harvest Service. We raised £58 for school.

Pumpkin Day - Friday 23rd October

Children are invited to enter a pumpkin decorating competition on Friday 23rd October. Please look out for a letter next week with full details.

Nearly New Uniform

Any outstanding payments for nearly new uniform should be brought to the school office ASAP. Thanks.

Ballet Classes

There will be no Ballet Classes on 23rd October due to the Pumpkin Competition.

Headteacher's Bulletin

Some of our teachers have been leading evening meetings for parents this week: Mrs Petty ran a successful meeting for Year 5 and 6 parents whose children are going on this year's exciting extended visit to Caythorpe Court; while Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell lead an informative meeting for parents interested in understanding how the school teaches literacy and phonics. During the week I have been meeting with other primary headteachers from Cambridgeshire and received the latest guidance on school Ofsted inspections. I was reminded that during an inspection, how important it is for every person to communicate the shared reasons we choose to send our children to this school and why it is a great place for children to learn and be safe – a message about our school we can jointly be proud of. Today, Mrs Petty and I met with a schools advisor for Cambridgeshire and together agreed the latest school 'targets' that reflect our latest aspirational priorities!
Mr McLeod

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Haslingfield BIG DRAW 2015!

Next week at Haslingfield, our amazing children will be taking part in the national 'Big Draw' event. It will be spread over 2 days (Wed 14th and Thu 15th October) and our theme will be 'The Enchanted Forest'. Jonny Boatfield, a brilliant local artist, will be joining us for the 2 days to work with each class to create a huge whole school 'Doodle Wall' full of trees, creatures and all sorts of imaginative things that you find in an exciting forest. The children will be off timetable and enjoying lots of opportunities to develop their creative skills in class too, with observational drawings, collage, rubbings, pencil skills, pen and ink work and the study of famous artists and illustrators.

Thank you so much to the generous PTFA who have enabled us to plan such an exciting few days and bring in a visiting artist. Thank you too to 'Ridgeons' for the kind gift of large scale materials needed for our 'Doodle Wall'. We look forward to seeing the incredible work that the children will produce!

© Mrs Hollins

School disco - Friday 6th November

Please save the date for our upcoming disco. KS1 will be from 5pm - 6.30pm and KS2 from 7pm - 8.30pm. We have hired a professional DJ for what promises to be a fun evening! More details to follow.

PTFA

Network cb23 Orchestra

The next workshop will take place on Saturday 21st November 2015 10am – 12pm at Comberton Village College. The workshop is aimed at those who can read music at speed but parts are available for those not having reached Grade 1 standard (except for Piano/keyboard which is Grade 3). Forms are available from the office and must be completed and returned by 16 October to Karen Norris at knorris@bourn.cambs.sch.uk.

Fab Science Half term Club

The Fab Science Halloween Spooktacular will be visiting Queen Edith Primary School in Cambridge this half term. Children aged 5 to 12 will be learning all about chemistry and physics by making potions, slime, flying broomsticks and lots of general ghoulishness! For more info see www.fabscience.co.uk

Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

This week in Ash class we have enjoyed listening to stories about Elmer and his friends. We have made our own giant collage Elmer using different tissue paper and wrote our own describing words to explain what Elmer looks like. We went on a visit through the jungle and found lots of different animals in the outdoor classroom and heard lots of jungle sounds on the way. We made our own Elmer masks and retold the story in small groups. Elmer kept hiding around the classroom this week and the children had to use positional language to describe where he was. Miss Dillon and Miss Scott have joined us this week for their first teaching placement and the children have loved getting to know them. They have 3 more weeks left of their placement with us in Ash class. Next week we will be learning all about Autumn and Percy the Park keeper. Over the weekend it would be fantastic if you could collect Autumn objects such as conkers, different coloured leaves and twigs etc for us to explore in the classroom next week.

- Literacy- writing describing words, Letters and sounds g,o,c,k
- Numeracy- positional language, number recognition



Birch – Miss Hall:

This week in Birch class we have continued to look at the punctuation that we may need in a sentence, including exclamation marks. We have practised checking through our sentence and adding '-ing' to root words to make new words, e.g zooming. In Maths we have been practising subtraction, using a range of tools to help us. In our topic sessions, we have made a design using leaf rubbing and classified materials based on their properties. In order to take advantage of visits from a specialist PE Teacher, PE will not take place on Monday but will change to Thursday. Wednesday PE will continue as normal.

- Literacy - To check sentences. To add '-ing' to words to make a new word.
- Numeracy - To subtract numbers under twenty, using a variety of equipment.

Show and Tell: George C-Y and Molly



Hazel – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

This week we have been learning about the moon landing and Neil Armstrong. We did lots of research and wrote some lovely fact files. We've also been finding out what the different planets are like. When we write we have been focusing on punctuating our sentences correctly. In maths we've been learning number bonds to 20 and some of us have then been using these to work out similar facts to 100. Big Write next week will be linked to our art day when we are going to make an enchanted forest. For talk homework we would like you to talk about describing an enchanted or alien forest. We are looking for some amazing vocabulary or 'wow' words we could use in our writing.

- Literacy - punctuation
- Maths - number bonds

Show and Tell (Wednesday): Gwen, Stanley, George and Coco



Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

This week in Hawthorn class has been very busy. The children have been learning about Non-chronological reports. They have learnt about the features and how a non-chronological report is laid out. In Numeracy the children have been learning about the properties of 3D shapes and symmetry. They have been preparing for the Big Draw next week and have been looking at the work of Arthur Rackham.

Could I remind you that next Friday the children will need to wear appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear and bring a pack lunch with them.

- Literacy - To identify the features of Non-chronological reports.
- Numeracy - To describe the properties of 3D shapes. To sort shapes into regular and irregular and by lines of symmetry.



Oak – Ms Wernham:

This week we have had a lot of fun preparing and practising for our Class Assembly. We hope you enjoy it. In preparation for next week's 'Big Draw', we have looked at work by the artist Arthur Rackham and have produced some beautiful sketches based on his inkpen drawings.

- Literacy – to present facts about the Normans using Drama.
- Numeracy – To recap properties of 3d and 2d shapes.



Beech – Mrs Petty:

This week we have had a slightly different week as the Year 6 have been completing their cycling proficiency course. They were commended on their mature and responsible attitudes and enthusiasm- well done children! Around this, the class have been learning how and why the Americans joined World War Two. They learnt about the attack on Pearl Harbour and the result of this devastating attack. In addition to this, the children learnt how the Americans changed the social dancing in British society and to fully understand, the children learnt how to Jitterbug which we look forward to showing you at our class assembly in November. As with many of the other classes, we have also been preparing for our Big Draw day, next Wednesday, by learning about the artist Arthur Rackham and developing our sketching techniques.

- English: to develop the understanding of how to add suffixes to root words.
- Maths: to divide by a single digit and double digit using both the chunking method and long division.

