



Harling Herald

'Endeavour, Enjoy and Achieve Together' 31.03.17

Goodbye and Good Luck

Today marks the end of an era as Mrs Symonds leaves our school. Mrs Symonds has been teaching our Nursery class for the past thirteen years and has played such an important role in being the first teacher of so many of our children. Mrs Symonds, together with Mrs Pilsbury-Gaunt, has ensured that they have had a happy and successful beginning to their education and has helped them to develop the skills that they need to be ready to start school. The children presented her today with a book of all their favourite memories from their time in Nursery with her.

We all wish Mrs Symonds every success for her new venture teaching textile skills and hope that she will come back to visit us soon.

School Building Project

Work is continuing to move at a pace on the school field to prepare for the arrival of the temporary mobile classrooms. We have now moved into the next stage of the programme and a new temporary surface has had to be laid over the field so that the lorries delivering the mobiles will be able to reach the far side of the site without sinking in the ground. This will be removed once it is no longer required. The children will still have access to parts of the school field in the summer months as the builders compound is fully fenced in. The plan is now for the classes to move out into mobiles in May half term—fingers crossed!

Please could we remind all parents that they should not park within the school premises before or after school and ensure that the disabled parking bays and front gates remain accessible at all times. Thank you.

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed up as their favourite book character for World Book Day. The children all looked fantastic and a lot of effort had obviously gone into some of the costumes. It was lovely to hear the children sharing their favourite books together, some chose old favourites whilst others introduced their friends to new stories. We collected £194 on World Book Day, which combined with the £442 that we raised from the book fair means that we have been able to choose over £600 of new books for our library.

Current Attendance

Our school attendance currently stands at 96% (which is just in line with national average).

Well done to Mulberry Class who have the highest attendance in the school with 97.5% attendance.



Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are once again collecting Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers which we will use to select extra equipment for the children to at use at playtimes.



EAST Clothing Collection

The children should have brought home this week a bag for EAST's next clothing collection. Please donate as many old clothes as you can as the more we get, the more money EAST raises. If you need more bags please contact the office, alternatively items can be placed in any bag/black sack.

The next clothing collection is on the 27th April.

Thank you.



Who dunnit?

Yesterday we all became forensic scientists for the day after we arrived at school to discover, to our horror, that someone had stolen Nursery's chocolate Easter eggs! Fortunately for us the thief had left a number of clues behind to help us discover their identity. We worked in mixed teams (with children from Reception to year six together) to look at the evidence left behind. This included a shoe print in some soil, a mysterious white powder, a handwritten 'to do list' and some finger prints. By the end of the day we had all worked out who the evidence belonged to and the culprit—who still had some chocolate eggs in his pocket—was revealed to be Mr Cooper!

It was lovely to see the children working together in mixed age teams; we were particularly proud of our year six children who looked after the children from Cherry Class so well all day. We'd like to say a big 'thank you' to Mrs Good for organising such a super day.

Bloodhound Rocket Care Challenge

Last week Miss BB's Code Club went to Old Buckenham High School to launch their rocket cars as part of Bloodhound rocket car challenge. The army were on hand to help launch their cars and it's fair to say that they went off like a rocket! Thank you to Miss BB for giving up her lunchtimes to help them design and prepare their cars for the launch—check out our Twitter feed to see how fast they went!

Open school

Our next open school event will be on Tuesday 9th May from 3.15pm—3.45pm.

Children's Reports

Thank you to everyone who has returned their parent's response form that was sent home with their child's report, your comments are really valuable and we will use these when planning for next term. If you have not yet returned yours, please do so at the start of term so that we know that you have received your child's report. Thank you.

£5 notes

The school office will not be able to accept the old style £5 notes as payment after the school holidays as they cease to become legal tender on the 5th May.

Safeguarding children

As a school we have a statutory duty to safeguard the well-being of all of our children. The school's designated safeguarding lead professional is the Headteacher, Miss Yates (or Miss Blackburn, the Deputy Headteacher, in her absence). Parents are strongly encouraged to share/report any child protection or safeguarding concerns with the designated teacher at any time. Alternatively anyone can contact the NSPCC helpline on 0808 8005000 or Norfolk Children's Services on 0344 800 8020, this can be done anonymously.

Finally ...

Have a great Easter break everyone— don't forget our Easter Extreme Reading Challenge. You can tweet your photos to us via our Twitter feed @EHarlingPrimary, email them to head@eastharling.norfolk.sch.uk or bring them into school after the holiday.

Where will you read this holiday?



Dates for your diary

Tues 18th April	First day of the summer term
Mon 24th to Thurs 27th April	Chestnut Class Bikeability training - Group 1 Mon/Tues Group 2 Wed/Thurs (children will be informed of their group after the hols)
Wed 26th April Fri 28th April	Oak Class to Aylmerton Field Study Centre
Thurs 27th April	EAST Clothing Collection
Mon 1st May	Bank Holiday—School closed
Tues 2nd Wed 3rd May	Chestnut Class Bikeability training—Group 3
Fri 5th May	School photographer in to take class photographs
Mon 8th May	Year six SATs week
Tues 9th May	Open school 3.15pm—3.45pm
Mon 29th May Fri 2nd June	Half term week
Mon 3rd July Tues 4th July	Parents' evenings
Tues 18th July	Busking Day
Fri 21st July	Last day of term 10am Leavers' assembly—year six parents are welcome to join us

Dates for sports days will be confirmed in the summer term (we may have to make alternative arrangements this year due to our building works once we know exactly how much space we have!).

