



Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of what promises to be another exciting year at Hamsey. We hope that you have all had a lovely summer holiday. The children have returned smiling, happy and full of stories about their break from school. It has been fantastic getting to know them at the start of this term.

Welcome

We would like to welcome Mr Newlands to our team. He is our new Head of School and is teaching Owls on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We hope he enjoys his new role at Hamsey.

Learning Opportunities

Our new learning journey for the whole school is Take One: Heart. The children will be carrying out all sorts of interesting learning about hearts (human or otherwise) and finding out how to keep theirs healthy.

We will be having a Take One: Heart Art Exhibition on 16th October– 1.45pm-3.15pm.

Daily Mile

We have now introduced our daily mile in the mornings for KS1 and KS2. The children are already commenting on how they enjoy it. Thank you to those parents who are leaving promptly at the start of the day to ensure the children are safe while starting their daily mile.

Fair Trade Tuck Shop

Our Fair Trade Tuck Shop will be running on Monday and Friday mornings before school, between 8.30 and 8.40am. We hope you were able to try some of the products this week. This will be run by all the children in Year 6 throughout the year.



Dates for your Diary- Please not these are not exhaustive and can be subject to change.

September 2019

Monday 25th	Term 4 Starts
Tuesday 10th	Music Starts –All Years
Tuesday 10th	Gardening Starts (Year 3) 10, 17, 24 th Sept
Monday 16th	Foxes Class meeting (3.10pm)
Tuesday 17th	Badgers Class meeting (3.10pm)
Thursday 19th	Y6—Forest School 1pm-3pm Owls Class meeting (3.10pm)
Friday 20th	Hedgehog Class meeting
Thursday 26th	Owls trip to King's Academy, Ringmer – letter to follow

October 2019

Tuesday 1st	Gardening Starts (Year 4) 1 st , 8 th , 15 th
Thursday 3rd	Census day
Monday 7th	Harvest festival –St. Michaels Offham– 2pm – letter to follow
Friday 11th	Medical Maverick's Day in school Badgers /Owls
Wednesday 16th	Take One Heart afternoon and Art gallery – letter to follow (1.30 - 3.15pm)
Tuesday 22nd	Parent consultations 4.00pm- 7.00pm
Thursday 24th	Parent consultations 3.10pm- 5.30pm
Thursday 24th	Last day of term for the children
Friday 25th	INSET day

Help us keep in touch with you

Please ensure that our School Office has your up-to-date contact details. We will need these if we ever need to contact you about your child feeling unwell during the school day. East Sussex County Council's 'Safeguarding Best Practice' requires schools to have at least **two** contact details for each family – so please make sure we have all the information we need.

Attendance

This year, we aim to improve our attendance which was 94.6% last year. Attending school is paramount for the children to enjoy all the opportunities we provide at Hamsey. Inevitably, there will be times when your children are too unwell to be in school, but we ask that our pupils are in school every day whenever possible to support us in our reaching our attendance goal of 97%+.

Here are the attendance results up to today:

Owls Class – 98.33%

Badgers Class—95.37%

Foxes Class—97.92%

Hedgehogs Class—98.88%

Wrap-around provision – our clubs

Breakfast Club will continue to run from 07.45 every day and After-School Club from 15.00 to 17.30 (Monday to Thursday) and Friday from 15.00 until 16.00.

Class Blogs

Our class blogs are updated regularly and offer a wealth of information. Please use the links below:

Hedgehogs Class:

<https://hamseyhedgehogs.wordpress.com/>

Foxes Class:

<https://hamseyfoxes.wordpress.com/>

Badgers Class:

<https://hamseybadgers.wordpress.com/>

Owl Class:

<https://hamseyowls.wordpress.com/>