



Hamsey Community Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support during the extreme weather conditions last week.

We celebrated World Book Day yesterday and the children and staff wore fabulous book character costumes. A big thank you goes to the parents who came into school and made it extra special by sharing their love of reading with classes.



We also managed to raise £40 for Book Aid, which will go towards buying 40 books for a children's library in a developing country.



Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place on Wednesday 21st March (4-7pm) and Thursday 22nd March (3.30-5.30pm). Ms Shannon will be available to meet parents and carers on Wednesday 21st March. These ten-minute appointments are to discuss your child's progress. If you need to speak to the class teacher about something in more detail, please arrange an alternative time.

Please use your logins sent home last term to book your appointments via e-schools. All appointments must be booked by Monday 19th March as last-minute appointments may not be available.

Batafon Drumming KSI

As part of their 'Africa' learning journey, children in Hedgehogs and Foxes enjoyed a drumming workshop with Batafon Arts last week. The session encouraged the children to move imaginatively, respond to the music and create their own music. Thanks to the PTA for contributing towards the cost of this experience.



Sebastian Hockaday Visit

Sebastian joined us today to share his children's picture book 'Bella Boo and Bloomer Fen'. He ran a writing workshop with a group of aspiring writers from Years 2, 3 and 4 and followed this by a reading of his book in a special assembly.

Attendance

Well done to Badgers class for being the first recipients of our new 'Attendance Trophy' with an attendance of 97%. Please help us to achieve 96% across the whole school every week by ensuring your child is in school every day and is arriving promptly to start their lessons.

Building Resilience Coffee Morning

Come and join us for a relaxed and enjoyable morning focused on supporting your child to build resilience. Samantha Linkson from the NHS Primary Mental Health Team will be coming into School on Wednesday 14th March 10-11am to share ideas and strategies. Having good mental health increases resilience, helps children to deal with stress and difficult situations and supports them to progress in their education and in developing positive relationships. Whether you are a parent, carer, grandparent, young sibling, aunt or uncle, please come along. Everyone is welcome!

The Nelken Line Dance

Many thanks to Claire Coleman, Ros Howell and Donna Vize-Martin for rehearsing and filming Pina Bausch's Nelken Line in school this week. Details of how to view the video will be shared soon.



Hamsey Sport

Well done to the children in Year 4, 5 and 6 who took part in the cluster Swimming Gala recently at Lewes Leisure Centre. The children did very well and showed incredible teamwork, supporting and cheering each other on. Thanks to all the parents and carers who came along and helped with transport.

Sports Relief Week 19th - 23rd March

Children will be taking part in a series of events across the week to celebrate Sports Relief. Our aim is to run to Kenya- a total distance of 4000 miles! We will do this by taking part in daily physical activities, to include running, skipping and circuits. Each class will complete a series of 15-minute sessions throughout the day.

In addition to this, and due to the popularity of skipping at Hamsey, a whole-school skipping workshop will be taking place on Wednesday 28th March.

Year 6 pupils will be on the playground every afternoon (12th March – 23rd March) selling £1 Sports Relief wristbands.



This week's Team Point winners

1st	Centaurs
2nd	Griffins
3rd	Dragons
4th	Unicorns

Dates for your diary!

Please note these dates are not exhaustive and can be subject to change.

March 2018	
Saturday 10 th	PTA Event - Zoot Zazou at the Con Club
Wednesday 14 th	Foxes Class Assembly 9am 'Building Resilience' Coffee Morning 10-11am
Friday 16 th March	Year 6 Patina Fundraiser Film Afternoon
Monday 19 th – Fri 23 rd	Sports Relief Week
Tuesday 20 th	Owls Trip to Houses of Parliament
Wednesday 21 st	Hedgehogs Class Assembly 9am Parent Consultations 4pm-7pm
Thursday 22 nd	Year 5 STEM Day Ringmer Parent Consultations 3.30pm-5.30pm
Tuesday 27 th	Badgers Easter Performance at Beechwood Hall (2pm)
Wednesday 28 th	Skipping Workshop
Thursday 29 th	Easter Cake and Egg competition PTA Easter Egg Hunt 3pm Last day of Term 4
April 2018	
Monday 16 th	First day of Term 5
Friday 20 th	Owls Class Cake Sale –3pm in aid of Folk Dance Festival
Monday 23 rd	Foxes Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Tuesday 24 th	Hedgehogs Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Thursday 26 th	Badgers Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Friday 27 th	Owls Curriculum Meeting and Y6 SATS Parents Meeting 3pm
May 2018	
Mon 14 th - Thurs 17 th	Year 6 SATS
Wednesday 23 rd	Owls Class performance at Plumpton Racecourse- Folk Dance Festival
June 2018	
W.B. 11 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Friday 15 th	PTA Pizza Camp Night

With best wishes,

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