



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

# Newsletter

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Website: [www.haslingfieldschool.co.uk](http://www.haslingfieldschool.co.uk)

*Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment*

### School Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October to take individual photographs of the children. If you would like a family group with pre-school siblings please arrive at the school at 8.30am.



### New Appointment

Mrs Koslowski-Smith has provided our school with high level teaching cover in several classes already this term and is now getting to know more and more of our children. Mrs Koslowski-Smith has been a wonderful addition to our staff at Haslingfield School and is able to provide excellent learning opportunities for children across both key stages.



### PTFA AGM

The PTFA will be holding their AGM on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 8pm at the school. Come along and find out more about the PTFA and how you can get involved.



### Cambridge Kids Club

Cambridge Kids Club, based at the Meridian School Comberton, will be running a half term holiday club from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2013 and for the training day on the 4<sup>th</sup> November. Children can be booked in for full days (8am until 6pm) or half days (AM or PM). For more information contact them on 07960 412 716 or [info@cambridgekidsclub.com](mailto:info@cambridgekidsclub.com).



### Costumes and Props

We would like to put together a supply of costumes and props for use in our various plays. If anyone has any outfits they would like to donate please bring them to the school office.



### Haslingfield Little Owls Preschool

The Preschool will be holding its AGM on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 8pm Haslingfield Methodist Chapel, High Street, Haslingfield.

### Diary Dates:

**Mon 30** – Kingswood Meeting

**Thur 3 October** – Back to School Lunch

**Thur 3 October** – PTFA AGM, 8pm

**Fri 4 October** – Mr McLeod & Governors Tea & Chat, 9.15am, Theme: Website Update

**Mon 7 October** – Parents Evening 5-8pm

**Tue 8 October** – Parents Evening 3.30-6pm

**Thur 10 October** – Bag2School Collection (by 9.30am)

**Fri 11 October** – Hawthorn Class Assembly 2.40pm and Bun Day



### Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Industrial Action
- Hazel Class Trip
- School Work 'Show and Tell'
- Year 6 Comberton Village College Open Evening



### Industrial Action

As you will probably have seen in the press, some of the trade unions intend to take strike action on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2013. This is part of a national dispute over teachers' pay, working conditions and teachers' pension scheme. This means that the following classes will not be able to run that day and parents will need to make alternative arrangements for their children:

Class 1 / Ash

Class 3 / Hazel

Class 4 / Hawthorn

There can be no additional provision created at school to enable children from these classes to attend in these circumstances.

After careful consideration of all possible options and discussions with the school staff I am pleased to confirm that other aspects of school will remain open as usual.



### **Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:**

We spent lots of time this week practising our scarecrow song for the harvest festival – we hope you enjoyed it. We have been thinking about our families this week and have talked about who makes up our family and drew pictures of them on the computer! We started our phonics programme and have enjoyed practising all our sounds and showing our grown ups how to say them properly!

- Literacy – Phonics – s, a, t, p. Speaking about families.
- Numeracy – Names and descriptions of 2D shapes.

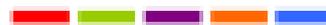


### **Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:**

Aliens Love Underpants is a very exciting, funny book! We are really enjoying our Alien Adventure topic using the book to look at rhyming and repeating language in our Literacy. Our collage is also really fun and we had a great time painting aliens and designing our underpants for the display.

- Literacy – Sentence writing using a theme.
- Numeracy – 1 more / 1 less than a number. Ordinal numbers.

NB: Homework starts next week! Please could children bring in some photos showing them with parents or grandparents for our lesson on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September.



### **Hazel – Mrs Stepney:**

This week we travelled back in time to 1666, the year the Great Fire of London took place. We have researched the event s leading up to the fire using websites and books in preparation for writing our own information books about the fire.

We had fun using mixing paint and applying it in a variety of ways to create the flames for our 'fire' display.

In PE we have been thinking about the different shapes our bodies can make, using the words 'tall, ball, wall and twist' as a starting point. We have created shapes and then thought about ways to extend them into movement sequences.

- Literacy – To recognise the features of an information text.
- Numeracy – To add two and three numbers using a number line.

Show and Tell: Connie, Ted, Lewis, Lily



### **Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:**

We thoroughly enjoyed our visit to the Celtic Harmony Iron Age Settlement. There were so many highlights; weaving, making bread and of course re-enacting the Celts v Romans at war!

We have had lots of fun with Amy Holly, our dance instructor, creating movement about the evolution of man and are looking forward to our next session.

- Literacy – To write a harvest poem based on the senses.
- Numeracy – To understand £ and p notation. To add amounts and find change.



### **Oak – Mrs Nussey and Mrs Wells:**

This week we have been improving our tennis skills, enjoying our harvest rap, designing and painting Norman shields and immersing ourselves in hands-on soaking wet Science to investigate the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

Maths has been very interactive with help from post-it notes, place value charts, pasta and numicon.

- Literacy – To use speech and speech punctuation.
- Numeracy – To understand arrays, multiplication and division.



### **Beech – Mrs Creamer:**

In Art this week we have continued experimenting with different print techniques. We have been trying to use a variety of materials to create a relief Adinkra symbol.

We learned the song Paintbox, for our Harvest Service – we hope you enjoyed listening to us present it.

In Maths we have been learning how to use a number line to subtract. (No column subtraction!)

- Literacy – To vary sentence structures.
- Numeracy – To use efficient methods for subtraction.

NB: Please could we have donations of newspapers on Monday.

