



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

- Mon 14** – Tempest Photography Individual and Sibling Photographs
Wed 16 – World Food Day Lunch
Fri 18 – Birch Class Sharing Assembly 2.40pm and Bun Day
Fri 18 – PTFA Film Night 6.30pm
Mon 21 – Oak Class trip Mountfitchet Castle
Mon21 – Fri 25 – Favourites Lunch Week
Fri 25 – Hazel Class Sharing Assembly 2.40pm and Bun Day



Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Bonfire Lunch Flier
- Favourites Week Flier
- Sunshine in Midwinter Flier
- 1st Step Sports Half Term Flier
- Cambridge United Trust Holiday Club Flier
- Brass Instrument Tuition Flier



PTFA Film Night

The PTFA will be holding a Film night on 18th October from 6.30pm. The film will be 'Epic' which is a fantasy-adventure comedy-drama film loosely based on William Joyce's children's book The Leaf Men and the Brave Good Bugs. All are welcome. We will be taking donations on the door and refreshments will be available. Parents to stay with children where possible.



Infant Christmas Shopping Morning.

Advance Notice: Please begin collecting unwanted gifts, old toys, books, toiletries, Christmas wrapping paper etc for the Infant Christmas Shopping Morning.



Agora

Many thanks to those already using Agora to pay for school dinners. Please could we encourage all parents to pay using the online payment system where possible.

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Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment

1st Step Sports Fun Days

1st Step Sports will be running fun days over half term at Haslingfield pavilion on Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October, 9am – 3.30pm. Bookings can be made online at www.1ststepsports.co.uk or by calling the office on 01638 666879.



Café Creative Autumn Fair

Cafe-Creative will be holding an Autumn Fair in Eversden Village Hall on Saturday 26th October 10am-2pm. There will be a carved pumpkin competition for children and a pumpkin pie baking competition. Both competitions have prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, entries to the hall by 10.30am. There will also be crafts, cafe and classes from Vital Spark Theatre.



Uniform Orders

Any uniform orders placed online from today until next Wednesday 16th October can be delivered free to the school on Wednesday 6th November. Parents can now also order and pay for their uniform by phoning the Customer Services Department on 0844 272 1888 option 2.



Fowlmere Bullfinches RSPB Wildlife Explorers

The next event will be an Autumn Woodland Adventure at RSPB, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Sunday 20th October 10.30am – 12.30pm. Email to book your place by Friday 18th October: fowlmerebullfinches@hotmail.co.uk £2 members, £3 non-members. Also at The Lodge between 11am and 4pm there is the "Give Nature a Home" family event.



Little Owls Preschool Photographs

There will be a photographer from Tempest Photography coming to Little Owls Preschool at the Methodist Church on 21st October between 3pm-6pm. Siblings and parents of children at the nursery or any other children are welcome to attend. If you are interested in booking a slot, please sign up at Little Owls or otherwise email Poppy Short on poppyshort@gmail.com.



Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:

We have been thinking about autumn this week and using autumn finds to make patterns and pictures, practise our counting and make homes for animals. We had lots of fun collecting items and looking for signs of autumn on our walk. We have been reading about Percy the Park Keeper and we made a list of autumn jobs for him. We practised being squirrels in PE and enjoyed climbing and scurrying and collecting things.

- Literacy – phonics –g, o, c, k. Writing a list of jobs for Percy.
- Numeracy – Repeating patterns.

Show and Tell: Lucas and Lucy.



Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:

We read about Beegu, an alien who was lost and missed her family. This week we have been thinking about our families and what makes them special to us. We have also been preparing work and practising for our sharing assembly next week. We have learnt a super song and hope to put actions to it ready to present to everyone!

- Literacy – To know about themselves and their attributes. To use full stops at the end of sentences.
- Numeracy – To count on 1, 2, 3 or 4 from a given number using a number line.



Hazel – Mrs Stepney:

This week we have been looking at materials and thinking about all the different jobs they can be used for. We have investigated how heating materials can change them and discovered that some of these changes are reversible and some are not. We all became bakers in Pudding Lane on Tuesday afternoon and saw first-hand how flour changes when it is mixed with water and heated. We all agreed that this was an irreversible change!

In numeracy we have been investigating 2D shapes. We have named them and identified their properties. We have also learned about symmetry and had fun finding lines of symmetry in 2D shapes and creating symmetrical patterns.

- Literacy – To use a mind-map for planning. To complete our information books and to create a glossary.
- Numeracy – To name and describe 2D shapes. To know that some shapes are regular and some are irregular. To create symmetrical patterns.

Show and Tell: Ollie, Sam, Juniper, Anna.



Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:

This week we have put the finishing touches to our interpretation of Stonehenge and a Celtic roundhouse. We have enjoyed making chalk silhouette drawings of the sun rising over Stonehenge and have finished decorating our stone paintings. Our class assembly today will be fantastic!

- Literacy – To present information about Prehistoric Britain.
- Numeracy – To use arrays to understand multiplication.



Oak – Mrs Nussey and Mrs Wells:

This week we have enjoyed making books, designing the covers and beginning our autobiographies. In maths we looked at the language of multiplication and division then moved on to consolidating our learning with subtraction on the number line.

We spent time researching and recording historical events before and after the Battle of Hastings in 1066 and have drawn and commented on William the Conqueror's family tree and his relationship to the English throne.

As part of our study of the water cycle we made 'mini-worlds', including mountains, vegetation, rivers, lakes ponds, the sea, areas for groundwater and even some dinosaur bones. We then covered them with an atmosphere. We are investigating whether the water cycle will happen in our 'mini-worlds'.

Mr Brennan has spent time with us in PE and helped us set up an excellent circuit of stations to practise our tennis skills.

- Literacy – Features of Autobiography and biography.
- Numeracy – Subtraction using a number line.



Beech – Mrs Creamer:

In art this week we have been looking at propaganda posters from WWII. We spent some time thinking about the posters' messages and how, combined with the images, these were used to persuade the public. We will be designing our own posters and mixing colours to create authentic muted tones.

The water cycle has been the focus of our KUW learning this week. We have focused on understanding the processes of evaporation and condensation.

In Numeracy we have begun to learn about fractions, decimals and percentages. The children were challenged to represent a fraction fact using an A5 piece of paper only and given only 1 minute.

- Literacy – To analyse the openers of journalistic texts.
- Numeracy – To understand the numerator and denominator.