



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2013

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Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment

Diary Dates:

- Tue 12** – School Work ‘Show and Tell’
- Fri 15** – Wear Pyjamas for Children In Need
- Fri 22** – Oak Class Sharing Assembly
- Fri 22** – Oak Class Bun Day
- Mon 25** – Phonics Awareness Meeting 9am
- Mon 25** – Beech Class Trip



Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Pyjamas for Children in Need
- Ash & Birch Class Nativity Play
- KS2 Christmas Concert
- Beech Class Trip – Stibbington Centre
- Phonics Awareness Meeting
- Cambridgeshire Holiday Orchestra
- Scholastic Book Club Leaflet
- 1st Step Sports Multisports Flier
- 1st Step Sports Football Flier



Dinner Money

Dinner money for this half term will be £71.40. Please pay using the online payment system if possible.



Thank you to Mrs Wells

Mrs Wells will be leaving us at the end of this term. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her all the best for the future.



Christmas Fayre

This year's Christmas Fayre will be on Friday 6th December 3.30-6pm. Put the date in your diaries now! We will be asking for donations for the raffle hampers and once again have a colour scheme for each class. So please start looking out for items for the following colours:

- Ash – Gold/Yellow
- Birch – Silver/White
- Hazel – Red
- Hawthorn – Blue
- Oak – Green
- Beech – Purple/Pink

There is a PTFA meeting on Wednesday 13th November at the Little Rose – all welcome.

Thanks, PTFA.

Wear Pyjamas for Children in Need

We will be having a fundraising day on Friday 15th November on behalf of Children in Need. All children are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas, onesies or dressing gowns and £1 donation will be collected on the day.

Charity Fair

There will be a charity Fair on Saturday 16th November at Haslingfield Methodist Church 11am – 2.30pm. There will be local and national charities selling a range of items including Christmas Cards. Refreshments and light lunches will be available.



Wish your energy bills were lower? Or your house felt warmer?

Come to Haslingfield Village Hall between 10.30am and 1.45pm this Saturday, 9th November, for Haslingfield Energy Day. The talks will cover things you can do which cost little or no money; the District Council's new Action on Energy initiative; and what Haslingfield householders and business are already doing. There will be displays showing how older homes can be made more energy efficient and several local green energy companies will have stalls. For more information, including the timing of talks, see www.haslingfieldvillage.co.uk. Haslingfield Parish Council.



Messy Church

Haslingfield Methodist Church are holding a Messy Church on Friday 15th November 3.30-5pm including bubble painting, rubbish sculptures and more. The theme is Gorgeous Green.



Cake Stall for Children in Need.

Katie Chambers will be running a cake stall in aid of Children in Need on Monday 18th November. Bring some change for a cake and to raise money for a good cause.



Year 5/6 Cross Country Training

Training will start next Thursday, 14th November at lunchtime. All year 5 and 6 children welcome.



Scholastic Book Club Leaflet

Please return order forms for the Scholastic Book Club by 29th November. Please pay by cheque payable to 'Scholastic Ltd'.



Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:

This week we have been learning all about colour. We used bright colours and glitter to make firework pictures and thought of words to write to describe fireworks. We read stories about Elmer, the colourful patchwork elephant and designed our own Elmer patterns. We also used milk bottles to make mini Elmers. We coloured in Elmer masks to do some role play and story telling. We also practised colour mixing with some interesting results!

- Literacy – To think of words to describe fireworks.
- Numeracy – Pattern

Show and Tell: Poppy and Bryony



Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:

We have been doing some very exciting numeracy investigations this week. We looked at pattern and made many different colour combinations. In our subtraction investigation we used dice to generate our own subtraction sentences.

- Literacy – To write a recount.
- Numeracy – To subtract a one digit number from a tens number by counting backwards.



Hazel – Mrs Stepney:

This week we have completed some writing in our progression books. We have described the character Max, a hedgehog from a book we are reading called 'The Hedgehog'. On Thursday we jumped in our time travelling cars and found ourselves further back in time in the 1605. We have discovered that this was the year of the Gunpowder Plot, and over the next two weeks we will be finding out about Guy Fawkes and his friends. In creative development we used pastels and glitter to create firework pictures. We used silhouettes in a similar way to our Great Fire pictures, but this time we created them using marker pens.

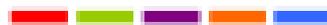
- Literacy – To write a character description.
- Numeracy – To use a number line to add and subtract one and two digit numbers. To answer word problems involving addition and subtraction.

Show and Tell: Hannah, Thomas, Connie, Ted



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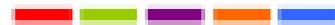
If anyone has lost a pink purse or a blue mini croc shoe keyring please come to the school office.



Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:

This week we have begun the second half of our topic 'A Window through Time' which will focus briefly on local history, but mainly on how our environment has changed and why. We began by looking outside our classroom window and noticing very old and new features, finishing by doing some map work on how Cambourne has changed the countryside in South Cambridgeshire. In Literacy we wrote firework 'shape' poems which are proudly on display in the library next to Year 2's artwork – do come and have a look!

- Literacy – To write shape poems using onomatopoeia, alliteration and simile.
- Numeracy – To use Venn and Carroll diagrams to sort data. To construct pictograms from a frequency table of results.



Oak – Mrs Nussey and Mrs Wells:

In numeracy this week we measured many objects inside and outside the classroom and challenged each other to check the accuracy of our measurements. In science we investigated how different substances like coffee, salt, sugar, jelly, sand and bicarbonate of soda behaved in cold and warm water and discussed the scientific concept of dissolving and solutions. We also made fresh eggs float in salty water, which required a great deal of salt! Mr Brennan set PE homework this week, to practice a sequence of movements, as we began our new gym unit and in literacy we spent time writing the biography of a Norman child who might have lived at Castle Mountfitchet.

- Literacy – Writing the biography of a Norman child.
- Numeracy – Measuring and converting metric units of length.



Beech – Mrs Creamer:

This week we have focused all our energies on preparing for our assembly. Among other things we researched the work of the Royal British Legion, discovered why the poppy is the symbol of remembrance, learned about how and why we remember as well as finding out key facts and figures about WWI and WWII. We hope you 'enjoyed' our assembly and that it gave you the opportunity to reflect and remember at this time of the year.

- Literacy – To write appropriately for a presentation.
- Numeracy – To learn my times tables for rapid recall.

