



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

# Newsletter

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### Diary Dates:

Mon 26-Fri 30 – Half Term

Mon 2 Jun – Staff Training Day – No children in school

Fri 6 Jun – Oak Class Sharing Assembly

Fri 6 Jun – Oak Class Bun Day

Thur 12 Jun – Seaside Lunch



### Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Swimming pool Letter and Rota
- Soccer school Flier
- School Swimming Programme
- Seaside Lunch Flier



### School Swimming

Swimming starts again after half term – we hope all the children enjoy this activity.



### School Lunch Menu Swap

There will be a Seaside lunch served on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June, so the roast dinner will now be served on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June.



### Dinner Money

School lunches for next half term will cost £77.70.

Please pay by Agora or via the school office. Thanks



### Governors Elections

We are very pleased that we now have several nominations for the role of Parent Governor. Elections will take place after half term, but if any other parent wishes to be considered, please see Mrs Jane Dye, clerk to the Governors as soon as possible.

C Bennett, on behalf of the Governors.

### Swimming Pool Rota

The swimming pool rota has been sent out today. If anyone would like an e-mail version of the rota please contact Helen at [ehlonegan@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ehlonegan@yahoo.co.uk)



### PTFA Quiz Night

The PTFA are holding a quiz night on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Tickets will be on sale after half term. Please come along for a fun evening of trivia and Thai food! Don't forget to put the Summer Fair (6<sup>th</sup> July) in your diaries!



### Cops & Robbers Holiday Club

Haslingfield Methodist Church are running a holiday club from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 9.45-12.15 plus Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 10am. The theme will be Cops and Robbers. Booking essential – contact Elsie on 01223 503321.



### Young Carers Question Time & Award Ceremony

Cambridgeshire Young Carers Participation Group and Centre 33 are holding a Young Carers Question Time for young carers, family members of young carers and professionals interested in helping to support young carers, to ask key decision makers about what they will do to make things easier for young carers and their families. For more information and to book your free place, e-mail [youngcarers@centre33.org.uk](mailto:youngcarers@centre33.org.uk) or call 01223 307488.



### Fowlmere Discovery Day

Fowlmere Nature Reserve are having a discovery day on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 10am-4pm, free entry. Activities will include pond dipping, moth trapping, owl pellet dissection, small mammal survey and arts and crafts.

For more information see [www.rspb.org.uk/fowlmere](http://www.rspb.org.uk/fowlmere).



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

Our caterpillars arrived this week which was very exciting and we are looking forward to watching them change into butterflies. We used butterflies to learn about symmetry and made some lovely symmetrical designs. We learnt about the butterfly lifecycle and sang a song to help us remember. We were amazed to find out there were so many different types of snail and had lots of fun finding, identifying and observing them. We also learned about the artist Matisse and looked at his work 'The Snail'. We used it as inspiration for our own snail pictures – please come and see them, they are really wonderful.

- Literacy – To write a sentence about how we change and grow.
- Numeracy – Symmetry and position.



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

This week we have been looking at sea creatures. We made clay models and painted them carefully. We researched our chosen sea creature on the internet using 'Askkids' and found out some interesting facts about our sea creature. We wrote a description and created a fact file for our sea creature.

- Literacy – Researching and creating a fact file.
- Numeracy – Capacity – non-standard measures, litres and half litres.



### **Hazel – Mrs Stepney:**

This week we have been investigating electricity and have made electrical circuits. We used the circuits to light up pictures on our televisions with bulbs. We have written instructions on how to make an electrical circuit. We created a musical composition using a variety of instruments and filmed it for our own Blue Peter episode.

- Literacy – To write instructions.
- Numeracy – To use near doubles to solve problems. To add 1 and 2 digit numbers bridging 10

Poetry Share: Archie, Stanley, Joseph, Oliver W.



### **Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:**

This week we have been doing assessments in Literacy & Numeracy and we've all worked really hard! We have had a fantastic time in the afternoons, making our model playgrounds for our D.T. project. They look fantastic and will be displayed in our classroom until the end of term. To finish off our Athletics unit of work we designed a mini-olympics course in groups which we tried out today. It was great fun and had elements of challenge for all!



### **Oak – Mrs Nussey:**

Class 5 has had an exciting week! The year 5's were enjoying their educational visit to Kingswood and the year 4's were eagerly tackling their assessment week. The year 4's also created an ICT project on the Indus Civilisation using powerpoint in small groups and presented it to the year 5's. By the end of the week, everyone was in high spirits and on Friday we all painted our Jaipur 'pottery' creations. We can't wait to show them to the rest of the school after the mid-term break.



### **Beech – Mrs Creamer:**

Most of us have been away at Kingswood having all kinds of fun. Rebecca has been busy helping out around school. We have prepared and performed our class assembly and received our final piece of homework for this school year.

Happy Half Term everyone!



## **Headteacher's Bulletin**

It was great to see the children climbing off the bus back from their extended visit on Wednesday evening, looking like they had a fantastic time. Staff had lots of interesting stories of their visit to share. Not all schools enable children to experience two extended visits while at primary school, but we believe the children benefit greatly; perhaps some of you may have heard my comments on extended visits on Radio Cambridgeshire this week.

We currently have two teaching vacancies for which the process of advertising and interviewing has begun. We look forward to letting you know who the successful candidates will be at the end of this process.

Mr McLeod

