



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

Mon 27 – Fri 31 – Half Term
Mon 3 Nov – Hawthorn Class Trip to West Stow
Tue 4 Nov – Oak Class Trip to Ely Cathedral
Tue 4 Nov – Numeracy Awareness Evening 6pm
Wed 5 Nov – Bonfire Lunch
Fri 7 Nov – Beech Class Sharing Assembly 2.40pm
Fri 7 Nov – Beech Class Bun Day
Mon 10 Nov – Staff Training Day – no children in School
Tue 11 Nov – School Work 'Show and Tell' 3.20pm

Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Cambridge United Soccer Tots Flier
- Mrs Stepney News
- Numeracy Awareness Meeting
- 1st Step Sports After School Club Flier
- Oak Class Trip to Ely Cathedral
- PTFA AGM Minutes

Numeracy Awareness Meeting

There will be a Numeracy Awareness Meeting for all parents on Tuesday 4th November, 6pm in the School hall. We hope to see you there.

Beech Class Outdoor area

We would like to paint the trellis that is going to be put up in Beech Class outside area. If any one has the remains of a pot of coloured wood preserver please could you let the office know. Thank you.

Time off for Sickness

Please can we remind parents that children need to remain off school for 48 hours following a bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you

Newsletter

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PTFA Christmas Fayre planning!

Please come to our special Christmas Fayre planning meeting on Tuesday 4th November, 8pm in the Little Rose. If you can't attend the meeting but can volunteer at the event please let us know at ptfahaslingfield@gmail.com. We are also sourcing raffle prizes. If you, or your employer, can make a donation to the raffle please get in touch!
Thanks, PTFA.

K'antu Ensemble

K'antu will be playing as part of Cambridge Summer Music's 'Music in Quiet Places' series at All Saints' Church, Haslingfield on Saturday 25 October, 7.30pm
Tickets £14.50, £12.50 concessions, £7.50 students, £4 children available on the door, or in advance at the Corn Exchange Box or from Haslingfield Village Shop. See www.cambridgesummertime.com.

Fowlmere Bullfinches, RSPB Explorers Club

Fowlmere Bullfinches are holding a Bird Challenge for 7-11 year olds at Fen Drayton Lakes RSPB, Cambridgeshire on Sunday 9th November 2014, 10:30am to 12:30pm. Cost £2 members, £3 non-members. Email fowlmerebullfinches@hotmail.co.uk by Thursday 6th November to book your place

TRY IT in Trumpington! Free Sport and Fitness Taster Sessions.

Starting week commencing 3rd November there will be various sport and fitness activities for the local community to try for free at Trumpington Meadows Primary School. Please contact Di Thomas Sports Development Officer for the City Council for more information on: di.thomas@cambridge.gov.uk 01223 458640.

Half-term Family Activities at the Farmland Museum

Half term afternoons for families are on Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th October. Drop-in 12 noon - 4pm for Halloween fun. Normal admission prices apply plus 50p per child for materials. For more information visit www.farmlandmuseum.org.uk.

Headteacher's Bulletin

Over this term I will be aiming to increase the impact of assemblies upon children's learning, particularly related to social and emotional development through story telling. I have decided to increase our school's liaison with Cambridgeshire's Personal, Social, Health and Emotional Development Team; my goal being to strengthen further the children's understanding of each others' needs. Over the last few weeks there has been a flurry of training and liaison meetings for teachers, related to their individual subject leadership roles. The feedback has been very positive and reflects our school's strong position. It has been a privilege to sit down with teachers over the last few weeks to discuss their aspirations and goals during our Continual Professional Development meetings - we have a wonderful team of teachers, committed to the processes of learning and teaching your children. Mrs Lione has received an official certificate for Mentoring and has been very successful in organising the placements of our trainee teachers. We received a delivery of new books for KS1 this week which we are all very excited about! The Grammar evening went well – though some of the questions were challenging!

Mr McLeod

Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

Wow, we can't believe the children have been at school for half a term already! What a great term it has been. This week we have continued to learn about autumn and explored the school grounds looking for autumn objects and different coloured leaves. We took paper and crayons with us and did bark rubbing on different trees and talked about the patterns that they made. Towards the end of the week we have been learning about Diwali. The children have had lots of fun making their own rangoli patterns, writing Diwali cards and making beautiful Diva lamps. Have a fantastic half term break, don't forget on the first day back the children need to come to school in their pyjamas. Please make sure the children have sensible footwear on to enable them to go out at playtime.

- Literacy – Diwali cards, letter formation. Phonics- f, b, h, l
- Numeracy – Patterns, adding and subtracting.



Birch – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

We had a fantastic trip to Audley End this week. We all really enjoyed seeing the different types of engine and learning all about how steam worked. We wrote brilliant recounts of our trip and will be putting them up in the classroom so do come and see what we did. In maths we've been working with shape this week and getting to grips with the properties of a variety of shapes. We've been reading lots of different books about trains and train trips and have been practising recalling and retelling the story. Everyone has worked really hard this half term and deserves a good rest next week! Well done.

- Literacy – Writing a recount of something we have done.
- Numeracy – Recognising, naming and describing 2D shapes.

Show and tell (Weds) – Lucas, Lucy and Seb



Hazel – Miss Hall:

This week in Hazel class we have been using 30 cm rulers and tape measures to practice measuring lengths. We have been measuring in centimetres. In Literacy, we have begun to explore how we can use a dictionary to look up the meaning of a word and find out how to spell a word. We have also completed several independent writing tasks. During our topic lessons, we have been exploring the properties of materials and starting to think about the differences between man-made and natural materials.

- Literacy – To use a dictionary to find the meanings and check the spellings of words. To use interesting describing words in our writing.
- Numeracy – To measure using centimetres.

Show and tell (Weds) – Oliver and Sam.

Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

This week in Hawthorn class we have continued to learn about play scripts. We have written character description and learnt about the importance of detailed stage instructions. The children have then written their own play scripts based on their own reading book. In Numeracy we have been learning about adding and subtracting 100's, 10's and 1's from 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers. We have been using this to then add and subtract near multiples e.g. 11 or 49. The children have used a range of materials including clay and modroc to make their own Anglo Saxon masks. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all that we are going to West Stow on 3rd November which is the first day back. I hope you all have a lovely and restful half term.

- Literacy – To add and subtract 100's, 10's and 1's and near multiples.
- Numeracy – To write play scripts including the features.



Oak – Miss Wernham:

This week we have mostly been practising for our class assembly on 'Medieval Britain'. We hope you enjoy it as much as we have! We have made beautiful newspaper collages of our chosen theme, with fantastic results. In Maths we have learnt the 'Chinese Method' of multiplication which is fab! Maybe we could practice over half term.....!

Please can everyone remember to bring in permission slips for our trip on Monday 3rd November at the very latest. Thank you.

- Literacy – To write explanation texts about aspects of medieval life.
- Numeracy – To consolidate methods for written multiplication.



Beech – Mrs Stepney:

On Monday the children carried out research to inform a debate. Their task was to offer arguments for and against people being allowed to climb Uluru in Australia. During the debate each side put forwards their arguments for and against very persuasively. The outcome was an overwhelming vote against people being allowed to climb Uluru.

In science an anonymous letter appeared suggesting that the children should have a lot more homework! Their task was to carry out an investigation using chromatography to find out who had written the letter, and record their findings.

- Literacy – To know the features of a mystery story. To use a plan to write a mystery story.
- Numeracy - To draw angles using a protractor, to estimate angles and use a protractor to measure them.

