



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

### Diary Dates:

**Mon 7 – Staff Training Day – no children in school**

Fri 11 – Beech Class Sharing Assembly, 2.40pm

Fri 11 – Beech Class Bun Day

Fri 11 – Beech Class Show and Tell

Mon 14 – Parents Show and Tell (except Beech Class)

Fri 18 – Children in Need Day

Tue 22 - Bag2School Textile Collection

### Children's Sports Events

Tue 8 – Boys Football match home v Meldreth

### Letters to Parents

- Ash Class Half Termly Letter
- Vision Screening Year 1
- Let it Snow Concert Flier
- Flu Vaccination Years 1,2 and 3
- Bonfire Night Flier

### Beech Class Show and Tell

Beech class show and tell will take place after the Beech Class assembly on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 3.30pm

### Children in Need

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need Day. In return for a £1 donation children will be able to come to school dressed in a spotty theme, for example a spotty top/bottoms or spotty face paint.

### Help For Heroes Lunchtime Concert

12th November 2016, 1pm All Saints' Church Cottenham CB24 8SA

Members of Haslingfield School Choir are singing in a concert to support the above charity along with members from 2 other children's choirs and some adult community choirs. It promises to be a very moving event with the children highlighting the concert with songs they have been learning over the past few weeks. Please come and join us for this special lunchtime concert with refreshments afterwards. Entry is free but there will be a collection for the above charity who are supporting this event also. There will also be a display of the poppies that the children from Beech class have been making with Mrs Woodward.

### Headteacher's Bulletin

The numeracy workshops Mrs Petty has provided for parents continue to be popular and of relevance to parents in helping to identify the best ways to support their own child's learning. While one or two staff have been unwell this week including our Office Manager, Janet Neale has been doing a great job along with Mrs Miller, Mrs Dye and Mrs Smart keeping the office running efficiently. The hall floor has been renovated over the half term, further adding to its brightness; while classroom repairs have been carried out in the main building. Recently, Miss Turner has completed a science book work scrutiny and been working with children in our Eco School's group to identify future actions.

Mr McLeod.

# Newsletter

Autumn Term 2016

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### PTFA News

#### Pumpkin Day Thank You

A very big thank you to Julie Coxall for organising the annual Pumpkin Day. Thank you also to all the children who brought in fabulous pumpkins. We raised £109 for school.

#### Giving Machine Prize Draw

If you are starting to Christmas shop online please please click via The Giving Machine to raise money for school. Everyone who shops online before New Year will be entered into a free prize draw to win a family photo shoot at Dion Gallichan Photography and a bottle of top notch champagne! Please contact the PTFA for help signing up to The Giving Machine or search for Haslingfield at [www.thegivingmachine.com](http://www.thegivingmachine.com).

#### Christmas Fayre 2016!

Our school Christmas Fayre this year will be on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 11.30am - 1.30pm. Please save the date!

#### Let it Snow Family Christmas Concert

Haslingfield Choir are taking part in a Family Christmas Concert with Prime Brass on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 3.30-5.30pm at West Road Concert Hall. All tickets £7.50. Book your tickets in advance from the ADC box office on 01223 300085 or at [www.adcticketing.com](http://www.adcticketing.com).

#### Mad Science Christmas Camps

These will be taking place over the Christmas Holidays on 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> December at various sites around Cambridge. All camps run from 10am-3pm and are suitable for children aged 4-11. Prices: Early Bird Costs: £32 per child per day (book before Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec), Normal Costs: £36 per child per day (after Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec). To book, go to [east.madscience.org](http://east.madscience.org) or call 01223 880997.

#### Bonfire Night: Saturday 5th November, Well House Meadow, Haslingfield

Avoid the queue and buy your £4 tickets (under 5's free) from the Haslingfield Village Shop & Country Kitchen. Gate opens at 6pm with fireworks from 6.30pm. If you have anything for burning on the bonfire, please deliver to the Scout Leader at the site between 11am and 12 noon on Saturday. Please note that under no circumstances will spectators be admitted with their own fireworks (this includes sparklers). Come and enjoy this annual event in support of the Haslingfield/Barton Scout Group & Little Owls Preschool.

### Ash – Miss Peck:

Welcome back to the second part of the autumn term, I hope you all had a well deserved rest. To start the week the children did some fantastic writing about what they did over the half term holidays; it was lovely to hear about all of the exciting things that they have been doing. The children helped us scoop out our pumpkins on Monday ready to carve. They had lots of fun and enjoyed the challenge of how many pips there were after! We talked about how to stay safe on bonfire night and made posters to remind everybody. The children came up with some fantastic ideas and now have a very good idea of how to keep themselves, their grown ups and pets safe. We looked at pictures of different fireworks and thought of some adjectives to describe them. The children thought of words to describe what they could hear, see and feel. We had our first PE session outside this week and had lots of fun using the hoops, quoits and beanbags.

- English- safety posters, describing words
- Maths- addition using numicon



### Birch – Mrs Lightfoot & Mrs Hollins:

Welcome back after half term, we hope that you all had a lovely break. We are continuing with our topic of transport and 'Full Steam Ahead' with a focus on DT and Geography (our country) this half term. In English we have begun to look at non fiction texts and have done some fabulous writing and reading this week! In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of addition and number bonds.

- English – Looking at non-fiction texts, labelling diagrams and writing captions.
- Maths – Missing number sentences and number bonds to 20.

Show and Tell: Finn, Lauren, Felix, Freya.



### Hazel – Miss Turner:

We have had a busy first week back of the new half term. The children have worked really hard preparing for their assembly and should be very proud of themselves. This week in English we have been learning about poems. We have read and performed riddles, tongue twisters and nonsense poems. The children have written their own riddles about a mode of transport and have also written an alternative ending to a nursery rhyme. In maths we have been comparing lengths. We have learnt why it is important to have standard measures and have measured in mm, cm and m. The children also needed to identify the most appropriate unit of measure to use. Home work this week is to complete another maths at home activity and there is some Athletics as well. There are also a new set of KIRFs stuck in the front of their books. If anybody has any empty cardboard tubes or empty cardboard food boxes they could send in by Tuesday they would be greatly appreciated.

- English - To write a new ending for a nursery rhyme.
- Maths - To measure length using mm, cm and m.

Show and Tell: Callum Pink, George Woodard, Miriam Cooke, Caitlin



### Spanish - Mrs Norris

Just before half term Hazel Class made short dialogues to practice everything they have learnt so far. Hawthorn and Oak Classes talked and wrote about their birthdays. Beech Class learnt some more expressions of frequency to write about how often they do sports.

### Hawthorn – Mr Brown:

Hawthorn Class have continued to use known multiplication facts to solve some tricky problems and use reasoning to further demonstrate their knowledge. We have also been learning about the bar model as a tool to support our understanding when given the challenge of a worded question.

In English, we have been lucky enough to have an estate agent come in and talk to the children about their role in selling a home. Hopefully the children will have picked up lots of persuasive techniques they can use in their writing as they attempt to convince someone to buy their Anglo Saxon home. We have also looked at improving our vocabulary and practicing some further persuasive writing elements.

I have been really impressed with how the children have taken on some key facts from our work on Anglo Saxon religion and applied their facts to create a invitation to an Anglo Saxon festival to celebrate or appease a God.

We have used our computing time to gather images of dragons for our art work and then been practicing mixing colours to try and make a good match.

- English: To recognise and use persuasive writing techniques.
- Maths: To support our learning using a bar model



### Oak - Miss Kimberley

I hope you all had a restful Half term with your families. This half term has begun as it finished. The children have worked very hard this week. In English we have been revisiting spelling and grammar rules and strategies to help us remember these. We have also had a bit of a drive on handwriting. In maths we have been tackling the Grid method and expanded column method for multiplication. The children have really focussed on this and although have found it challenging they have demonstrated great perseverance.

We have been looking at the fate of Henry VIII's six wives and placing these events on a time line. In science we have been out on the playground trying to simulate changing states in matter from gas to liquid, to liquid to solid and vice versa, with the children acting as molecules. We have been talking about the effect of heat on materials. Christian feasts and festivals have been the focus in RE. The children have been finding out about the reasons for these and looking at the symbols used during these times.

I have tweaked Homework, spelling and reading diary days following feedback on Parents evening. Homework will be given out on a Thursday and should be returned by the following Tuesday. Spellings will now be given out in a new spelling book on a Monday and tested on the following Monday. Reading Diaries will be collected in every Monday and (hopefully) returned the same day.

- English: can use a range of strategies to help me with spelling of new and unfamiliar words. can apply the spelling rules I have learnt.
- Maths: I can use the grid method to multiply 2 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers/ 3 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers. I can use the expanded column multiplication method to multiply a 3 digit number by a 2 digit number.



### Beech - Mrs Petty

Welcome back! In our topic session, we continued to learn about events that shaped the world, learning about the battle of Gallipoli and the sinking of Lusitania. We studied the features of newspaper articles and wrote our own orientations in preparation of writing our own report in our next Big Write. After discussing the language and meaning behind the poem, the children learnt 'In Flanders Fields' to music which we look forward to sharing with you at our class assembly next Friday. The children enjoyed finishing their sculptures of poppies in Art with Mrs Woodard and again we will be displaying these in our assembly.

- English- to identify fact from opinion; convert direct speech to reported; convert informal to formal language and include 'the 4Ws' in an orientation (who, what, when, where)
- Maths- converting between fractions, decimals and percentages and finding fractions of numbers