



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

# Newsletter

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*Learning and achieving excellence in a safe, happy environment*

### Dates

Beech Class Deep water Swimming on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

Please arrive at 8.20am

Hawthorn Class Bun Day Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July

### Letters home

Expressive Arts Showcase evening - Parentmail

### Expressive Arts Showcase Evening

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 6.30 – 8.00

KS2 music, choir, dance and drama.

KS1 and 2 Art Exhibition

Refreshments will be provided by the PTFA

Tickets from the office (free)

### Trip Reminder

Hawthorn will be visiting The Fitzwilliam Museum on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June. Please remember to bring a pack lunch unless you have ordered a school one. If the weather is hot please provide sun cream and a hat.

### Parklife 2017

Milton Country Park 2017 Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 10am-5pm free event for the whole family. Canoeing, kayaking, paddleboarding, hoveraid, balance biking, mountain biking, scalextric, den building, archery and a bouncy castle will all be available plus more!

### Summer Camps

The AMS summer sports camp will be running multisports and football camps during the summer at Meridian primary school. Please contact the school office for more details.

### Joint Villages St Peters Day Service

This weekend there will be a service at 11am on Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> June at St Peters Church in Barton. There is a bring and share lunch in Barton afterwards. There will be no 9.30am mass in Haslingfield.

### Breakfast Club

This week we have made and decorated card cubes - there were some fantastic designs and one was even made into a decision dice with different exercises to attempt on each side! We have also decorated crowns and made lollystick people. There has also been a lot of time for outside play during this very warm week.

### Headteacher's Bulletin

It has been a joy to walk around the school and see such lovely displays of children's work, informative, artistic and often representative of the topics they learn. We had some young visitors come to school on Tuesday; they are a smaller group than we have had in recent years and already looking comfortable and confident in their new surroundings – ready for starting our reception class in September. Governors and teachers have been meeting this week to discuss, among several things, the attainment of children in the subjects they lead. Many thanks to Mr Golden for spending a whole day helping children in Beech Class develop their computing skills.  
Mr McLeod

### Swimming

Swimming has now started. Please can you make sure your child has their named swimming kit in a waterproof bag on the days they are timetabled to swim. Please see letter on Parentmail.

### Spanish Mrs Norris

This week Hazel Class have been identifying foods from the Very Hungry Caterpillar story and Hawthorn Class conducted a survey to find out how many brothers and sisters people in their class have. Oak Class have been identifying musical instruments from their sounds and from pictures. Beech Class have been performing poetry.

Please note there is no Spanish Club this week as Virginia is not here.

### PTFA

#### **Save the date - Sponsored Village Walk - Saturday 8th July**

Please save the date for our summer fundraiser which this year is a sponsored walk around our beautiful village. There will be three challenges - a 2, 4 or 6 mile course - followed by a bbq and hopefully a swim in our school pool. More details to follow.

If you would like to join the PFA Hen Club then please could you email [ptfahaslingfield@gmail.com](mailto:ptfahaslingfield@gmail.com)

### Choir

Choir Dates for your Diary

24th June - Performance at Fen Edge Festival, Cottenham Green, Main Marquee, 13.15-14.15 (arrive 13.00)

5th July - Expressive Arts Showcase at school, 6.30pm

15th July - rehearsal at All Saints' Church, Cottenham with Junior Prime Brass, 12.15 - 1.15

16th July - concert at All Saints' Church, Cottenham with Junior Prime Brass, 3pm

Please let Mrs Lihoreau know your availability.

### The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> July

The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School is for boys and girls aged 7-13 who love to sing. A unique opportunity to learn about and perform classical music with a team of professional singers and voice coaches. For more information please visit the website [www.oxbridgesiningschool.co.uk](http://www.oxbridgesiningschool.co.uk)

## Ash – Miss Peck:

This week in Ash class we have been learning about Australia. We started the week by looking at different places in Australia including the Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Opera house and Harbour bridge. We described the different places and compared them to our local area. On Wednesday we looked at pictures from the film of Finding Nemo and pretended that we were Nemo and talked about what we could see under the sea. The children then wrote a postcard to a family member describing what it was like under the Great Barrier Reef and talked about all of the things that they saw and exciting things that happened. The children wowed us with the descriptive language that they used! In maths we have been learning how to read the time focussing on o'clock and half past. We played What's the time Mr Wolf with our clocks and the children took it turns to make different times with their friends with their own clocks. The children talked about the different things they do during the day and what time they do them. We have all enjoyed our swimming sessions this week. The children were particularly excited by our swimming session on Thursday when we had to avoid the rain and thunderstorms! We have loved sharing all of the Australian artefacts that have been coming in from home-thank you!

English- describing words

Maths- Telling the time- O'Clock and half past



## Birch Mrs Lightfoot and Mrs Hollin.

In Birch class we have had a busy but fun week practising our assembly ready for this Friday. We have also continued our swimming which has been very welcome in this warm weather and it's amazing to see the children's progress and confidence in the water build in such a short time. On Tuesday we had an amazing day at Mountfitchet castle which helped to bring our topic alive. We hope the children have told you all about it! We have continued our work in English on non-fiction texts and have written a fact sheet about Mountfitchet castle. In Maths we have continued work on shape and direction.

English: I have become familiar with non-fiction texts.

Maths: I can identify 2D and 3D shapes.



## Hazel – Miss Turner

We have had a fantastic week in Hazel Class. The children had a really good time at Mountfitchet and were really well behaved. In English we have been learning about recounts, the children have worked really hard on including a lot of detail when writing their recount of the trip. In Maths we have been learning about place value, we have continued to consolidate our learning on place value and have been learning about 3 digit numbers.

English - To write a recount.

Maths - To identify the value of digits in a 3 digit number

## Hawthorn – Mr Brown:

This week in Hawthorn we have been continuing to conduct secret missions and have come up plenty of ideas to help us. We have designed and described our own gadgets by labelling them and annotating them with descriptive phrases and then some of us moved onto writing a set of instructions to inform people how to use it. Later in the week we watched and analysed a short video clip of a spy called Walter Beckett who had trouble completing his mission thanks to a pigeon! The following day we had a go at completing a newspaper report to inform people of this strange event and how he managed to save the day. We will be using this character to help inspire our Big Write next week to complete a different mission for Walter in the form of a short story.

In Maths, we have been revisiting and recalling key facts to do with time. We identified analogue hands, checking our understanding of what each number stood for, we practiced converting between analogue and digital time and we have solved some problems where we had to find what the time would be for increase and decrease of times and record them in analogue and digitally.

In topic we took inspiration from the hot weather to investigate the different temperatures around Europe and created a bar chart to record our findings. We then answered some key questions using our results and tried to think about why temperatures vary so much around Europe.

English - LO: to design and invent a gadget for a spy.

Maths - LO: to solve problems related to time.



## Oak - Miss Kimberley

Mrs Sally Barron has been teaching in Oak class again this week, so many thanks for her continued support and expertise.

In English the children have been working on persuasive writing and the use of apostrophes for contraction and omission.

In Maths the focus has been time plus reading and plotting line graphs. On Wednesday, the hottest day so far, the children took hourly temperature readings from several places around the school, the data collected will then be converted onto a line graph and analysed as a science cross curricular activity. The year 4 NRICH sessions investigated plotting times tables, Triangular and squared numbers on a line graph to see if the lines intersected and then explained their results. We have enjoyed our continued swimming lessons, practicing various stroke techniques.

We had lots of fun on Thursday afternoon when 12 year 5s took part in various races at CVC as part of an inter schools swimming gala. I am pleased to report that Haslingfield came joint 2nd overall!

Well done team Haslingfield!



## Beech - Mrs Petty:

On Monday, we had a super day with Mr Golden, who came in to run a Computing day. We developed further our coding skills using the Micro:bits and the new laptops to create dice, Morse Code and how to function a motor before applying all of these skills in groups to create a monster with a moving mouth. The children had lots of fun and learnt so much - thank you Mr Golden. During the rest of the week, we practised parts of our play, thinking about facial expressions and stage presence in character. On Thursday, the year 5s enjoyed competing in the swimming gala at CVC and on Friday, the year 6 pupils had a visit from a year 7 CVC teacher who delivered an English lesson to explain what this subject might look like next year. To end the week, we enjoyed cooling down in the pool and developed our strokes further and in addition to this, we worked with our buddies to prepare for Sports' Day.

English: sequencing freeze-frames of A Midsummer Night's Dream as well as writing character descriptions

Maths: solving problems with a particular focus on sharing our reasoning