



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Dates

School starts on Tuesday 6th June
Sunday Club this week is at 9.30am on Sunday 28th May in
All Saints' Church, Haslingfield

Notices

Netball club will resume after the half term
No Before School Running Club on Wednesday 7th June
No After School Dodgeball on Thursday 8th June

Pilates Club

After half term Miss Peck and Miss Houghton will be running a
Pilates club for children in EYFS / KS1 and KS2.
More information will be given first week after half term.

Parklife 2017

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

Summer Camps

Netball and Athletics camp available in July please contact
holiday.camps@scamps.gov.uk or tel 01954 713070 for more
information.

Eco Family Funday

Queen Mary Wisbech Tuesday 30th May 10am-2pm. Many stall and
games including Superworm wormeries, the bean bag game, craft
activities and more!

Headteacher's Bulletin

Mr Brown has been attending an information training day on Creative Purposeful Learning this week which he will be disseminating to other teachers in due course. The children have been involved in several science activities including a science assembly with a special guest and a collaborative whole school quiz – thanks to Miss Turner for organising a fun week! Many parents of the swimming club have been involved in various training sessions in preparation for the pools opening when we return after the half term break – I enjoyed meeting you all on Wednesday evening. I met with our other school governors on Tuesday evening to review and plan the Out of School Club budget for the next financial year, including necessary expenditure adjustments which will result in an increase in session prices. This week the children's School Council and I had a joint meeting with the chair of Haslingfield Parish Council, Jenny Jullien: they discussed among other things the traffic in Haslingfield; several constructive suggestions were made! I hope you and your children have a great half term break.

Mr McLeod

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Breakfast Activity Club

This week we have decorated seaside shapes, made football spinners and produced folded paper animals.
The lovely weather has enabled us to play outside for longer too!

Swimming

Swimming in school starts after half term. 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 looking at nouns and adjectives in the Brown Bear story (Oso pardo). Hawthorn Class have been recalling the family members they have learnt in crosswords and quizzes. Oak Class have revised different types of music and learnt the names of some musical instruments in Spanish. Beech Class have been writing about themselves from memory!

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.

Science Week



We have had a very successful Science week. We started off the week with a visit from Dr Dan the Danger Man from Mad Science. A flyer went out earlier in the week for a Science Club starting after half term. On Thursday in assembly each class shared some of the exciting Science work they have done this week. We rounded up the week by having a Science quiz in mixed groups across the school.

Ash – Miss Peck: Ash class have had lots of fun celebrating Science week this week. To start the week we had a very fun mad science assembly with Dr Dan. Dr Dan taught the children lots of facts and new information and showed us all some very exciting experiments. On Tuesday we made our own experiments by making an ice volcano by mixing bicarbonate of soda, vinegar and washing up liquid. The children were very excited to see whether our volcano would explode and were very keen to add more vinegar! On Wednesday we predicted what might happen if we added skittles to water. The children came up with lots of fantastic ideas and lots of them were right. The children were very impressed with the pattern that the skittles produced in the water and talked about the different colours that they could see. The children had to complete a magnet challenge this week by finding objects around the room that were magnetic and non magnetic. In the outdoor classroom we tested objects to see if they would float or sink- some of the children even made models out of construction that floated! During our big write the children wrote their own chick adventure story- they came up with some great ideas. We have had another fun week with our lovely chicks. We have been looking after them by feeding them and cleaning them out and have had lots of cuddles and playtime too! The chicks need cooling off during this warm weather so the children suggested that they had a paddle in the water- the chicks very much enjoyed it! We are sad to say goodbye to some of our lovely chicks today but excited about the adventure that we will have with the ones that are staying.

English- chick diary, chick story
Maths- capacity, problem solving

Birch Mrs Lightfoot and Mrs Hollins We started our Science week in style with a visit from Doctor Dan with an hour long Mad Science assembly full of practical experiments. The children loved taking part in 'whole school, school hall, volley ball' and watching Mrs Lightfoot and Miss Peck compete in plunger tug of war! We have continued our science week with practical experiments including mixing bicarbonate of soda and vinegar and watching the chemical reaction and investigating how much water makes the perfect sandcastle. We have also taken part in a whole school science quiz. We both wish you all a restful half term. There are no spellings or homework for over the holiday. Remember that we will be swimming the very first morning back (Monday is a training day).

Hazel – Miss Turner: We have had a fantastic time this week and have really enjoyed Science week. I have been very impressed with the children's cooperation, when working together to carry out investigations. In English the children have written science questions, written descriptions of science equipment and have written instructions on how to carry out the sandcastle investigation. In Maths the children have sorted animals using a Carroll Diagram. They have also completed a tally chart and graph and answered questions by looking at it. We have done lots of investigation on materials, involving colour, the children have explored the absorption of coloured water on a paper towel. They have made a coloured volcano using vinegar and bicarbonate of soda. We also carried out an investigation into the correct amount of water to add to sand to make the perfect sandcastle. The children recorded their results and demonstrated accurate measuring. There is no homework for over the holidays, however if you would like to carry out any more Science investigations we would love to hear about them when we come back.

Maths - To sort objects into a Carroll Diagram.
English - To write instructions for carrying out an investigation.

Hawthorn – Mr Brown: In Hawthorn Class this week we have been taking part in science week where we have embraced our topic by taking part in lots of activities based around forces and magnets. The children took part in a circuit training exercise where they worked in pairs to carry out various exercises and described what types of pushes and pulls were occurring in and around their bodies. They have completed a grid to share with me what they know, what they think they know and what they would like to find out which helped to guide our learning for the week. We have tested magnet force strength by attempting to make a paper clip hover in the air just like magic. We have also investigated whether or not coins are magnetic. The children designed their own investigations as we found out whether shape, size, colour, shiny or dull and when produced effected whether a coin was magnetic or not. The children have become experts at explaining methods and deciding what is needed to make a fair test. Later on in the week, we have used our knowledge of magnetism to design and create our own games using a magnet and a poster including a presentation using iPads. The children have all really engaged with all these activities and it has been great to see their enjoyment and understanding emerging more and more throughout the week. There will be no homework set over half term and I hope everyone has a lovely well-earned break.

Oak - Miss Kimberley

Another really busy week as it has been Science week. On Monday morning, the whole school really enjoyed the Mad Science Assembly to kick the week off. Oak class have been looking at forces this week. We got together with Hawthorn class to revisit the theme of forces. The children showed that they were very knowledgeable. In the afternoon we did a science circus and all the children got to carry out different experiments investigating friction; how much force was needed to pull their shoe across different surfaces using Newton meters; the effect friction had on the distance a toy car travelled across different textured surfaces; the effect of friction on the distance a 2p piece could travel across different surfaces. The children have also been developing their science investigation skills, including identifying variables, collecting, recording and analysing data, drawing conclusions and making suggestions for improvements. The children have also used a range of secondary sources to check facts and look for examples of forces in everyday life. In archery this week the children were asked to think carefully about the forces involved. The children demonstrated their understanding and were able to break the whole process down identifying the forces at work at every stage. The English element of the curriculum this week has been writing up and recording what they have been doing in Science as instructions. We have also been creating information posters on Forces and preparing for our class assembly. We have used maths skills in Science this week, designing tables and collecting data; using mathematical equipment to measure, including Newton meters, rulers, metre sticks and timers. We have also learnt how to work out averages. The children have worked incredibly hard this week to bring all this knowledge together to create their Class Assembly. I hope you enjoyed it. Have a wonderful and restful half term break.

Beech - Mrs Petty: This week, we have been learning all about first aid. We have followed the advice from St John's Ambulance and practised how to place a person in the recovery position and how to bandage dressings. We have learnt about CPR, dealing with burns, providing assistance to someone who is choking or having an asthma attack or an allergic reaction. Using all our new knowledge, we created our own First Aid books which we will be sharing with our buddies after half term. In our writing, we tried really hard to apply all our grammar and punctuation skills and use our known spellings too. We reviewed our science experiments from last week and repeated some anomalous results. On Friday, we enjoyed helping our buddies in the school science quiz and had lots of fun in our second OAA buddy session, building dens and constructing strong structures using spaghetti and marshmallows. It has been a busy few weeks so I hope you all have a relaxing half-term.

- English: to write an instructional text, using subheadings and bullet points to organise the text
- Maths: to calculate the mean and represent information in graphs