



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School



### Dates

- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June – School starts
- Year 5 and 6 Caythorpe 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> June



### Letters Home

- OOSC and MAC charging updates
- Choir dates
- Seaside trip
- Swimming Information



### Website Updates

We have updated our Data Protection policy, it is available to view on our website.

### Netball

As many of you are aware our Netball club which is led by Mrs Williams runs every Tuesday morning. Unfortunately over the past half term the number of children attending has decreased significantly. In order to keep the club going the children attending will need to increase. Please talk to your child about the club at home and if they are interested let Mrs Williams know via the office. **Miss Peck**



### Swimming

Swimming starts back up again after half term. Please see Parent mail for more information on when your child's swimming session is and what they will need. **Miss Peck**



### Headteacher's Bulletin

I have just given a presentation to some of our governors; keeping them informed of how, as a school, our senior management team use a range of internal and 'on-line' software tools to monitor and compare ourselves against key criteria associated with schools nationally and within Cambridgeshire. I am very appreciative of the work our governors do for Haslingfield School: supporting a shared vision that looks to enable children to be the best they can possibly be. An effective relationship between the governors and myself continues to underpin the success we all share, from which different pupil groups and individual children ultimately benefit. A working group, including myself, lead by Mrs Woodard and Mrs Lihoreau, involving several other members of staff met this week to review our progress towards achieving the highest 'arts mark award' possible; our progress has been exciting and I am glad to say - we remain on track!

Graeme McLeod

# Newsletter

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### Morning Activity Club

We experimented with different colour wool combinations to make a variety of pom-poms. We also did some drawing, played with sand clay, card games and bead pictures.



### Spanish – Mrs Norris

In Hazel Class this week we read the story Oso pardo, oso pardo... (Brown bear, brown bear...) which some pupils remembered reading in English when they were younger. They knew the animals and colours in the story very well and could predict what would be on the next page. Hawthorn Class played "Simon dice" (Simon says) in Spanish to practise parts of the body and face, and then we sang a funny song called "Juan Pequeno baila" which is all about dancing with different parts of your body. Oak Class finished their weather reports and some pupils presented them to the class. Their map work and detailed sentences were very impressive. This week Beech Class were much more successful remembering the places in town, and we talked and wrote about what facilities there are in the towns and villages where they live.



### Cold write

This week in preparation for our cold write all children across the school had the opportunity to work with Mr Golden on either Scratch or Minecraft. Our youngest children chose their own characters and story settings on Scratch and then used these as a base for their own story writing back in class. The rest of the children used Minecraft as a stimulus and enjoyed growing crops and building and creating villages. Please do ask your child about it at home. I am sure they will be keen to tell you! A huge thank you to Mr Golden for giving up his time this week and for providing such an exciting opportunity for the children. It is very much appreciated by all. **Miss Peck**

**Ash Mrs Lightfoot and Mrs Fallon:** What a fantastic week in Ash class! The highlight of our week was holding our own wedding to celebrate the end of our topic. Maebh and Giacomo made a lovely couple and were very well supported by the rest of the class who took on all of the different roles admirably. We wrote about the morning in English, using time words to talk about the wedding in the right order of events. We also welcomed Mr Golden into our class this week. He showed us how to use scratch software on the computer and we wrote a story about what we created.

In Maths we have been using different coins to practice buying cakes, getting ready for bun day ! We have used 2p and 10p coins which has helped with our counting in multiples of these numbers too ! Thank you for coming to our Class assembly today, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. We are really looking forward to a rest over half term after a busy few weeks.

English: to write about an event using time words to describe what happened.

Maths: to use different values of coins to make a given amount.



**Birch – Miss Peck:** The children have been working very hard in Birch class this week completing their quizzes (assessments) and showing us all just how much they have learnt this year! They truly have wowed us and it is wonderful to see how much their confidence has grown across different subjects. In maths we have been learning about money. The children then played shops and had a go at making totals using different coins. It was great to see the children use their knowledge of counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and number bonds to help them. In English we have been recapping our learning on the suffixes ed, ing and est and the prefix un. We have been writing silly sentences that include some of these words. We had a very exciting cold write this week! The children had the opportunity to work on the laptops and produce their own characters and story setting on Scratch. The children were very creative and came up with some very imaginative ideas which certainly made for some very unusual stories mainly involving unicorns and reindeers! A huge thank you to Mr Golden for all of his hard work and for bringing our cold write alive. In Science we have continued our work on plants and explored the flowers around the school and in the garden. We then looked at the lifecycle of a sunflower and discussed the changes that happen. Wishing you all a wonderful half term and very well deserved rest.

English: to use suffixes est, ing and ed. Prefix un.

Math: to recognise money and making different totals.



**Hazel – Mrs Walls and Mrs Maddison:** The children have been fabulous during assessment week; they have really shown us how mature they can be when applying themselves. The class have been working on a rainforest display in the classroom which will lead into our learning about the environment next half term. Mr Golden has been working with our class, giving the children a fantastic inspirational experience for their Cold Write. This was all based around Minecraft where the children started in a town and their job as to create a small crop farm. To do this they needed to prepare the ground, plant seeds, create an irrigation system and fence the area off so that animals didn't eat the crops. The class then wrote stories about their farms which were very creative! There will be no spellings over half term. We hope you have a fun and relaxing half term!

Maths: assessments

English: assessments

**Hawthorn – Mr Brown:** This week in Hawthorn Class the children have been working really hard to complete a variety of assessments that have tested their knowledge of Maths arithmetic, problem solving and reasoning, reading comprehension and spelling, punctuation and grammar. The children all worked tremendously hard and we have worked together in up-levelling their work by figuring out how to improve certain aspects. We were also lucky enough to have Mr Golden in to lead the children in inspiring their writing through a series of minecraft lessons. In the first lesson the children learnt about all the basic controls to allow them to access the programme and then in the second lesson they used their previously learnt skills to find out about a virtual world by interacting with settings and different characters. In Topic we have been using atlases to identify countries located around Central America and then later in the week we learnt about where mountains, deserts and forests are located within Mexico by plotting them using a key. There will be no homework set during half term and I hope everybody has a restful and well earned break.

Maths: assessments

English: assessments



**Oak - Miss Kimberley:** This week has been End of Year Assessments in Spelling and Grammar, Reading comprehension, Arithmetic and 2 papers on Maths reasoning and problem solving. The children have been incredibly stoic and patient. They have really worked hard and shown a positive and mature attitude . In preparation for the Cold Write on Friday the children worked with Mr Golden and visited the Minecraft villages of Ngarange and Xakao and explored the different ways that the villagers interacted with the wild elephant herds, one peaceably and one more confrontationally. The Cold Write will be about how the elephants perceived these very different approaches. On Wednesday afternoon we had a visit from Mr John Beresford from the Haslingfield society, who gave us a brief talk about the origins and history of Haslingfield School. Then we went on a wonderful walk around the village looking at the historical sites and learning some interesting facts. It was fascinating. Although very relaxed, the children were engaged and behaved beautifully and were a credit. A big 'Thank you' to Mr Beresford for giving up his time and sharing his expertise.

Have a wonderful and restful half term

English: assessments

Maths: assessments



**Beech - Mrs Petty:** This week, we have reflected on our learning of the Shang Dynasty and completed several activities to show our understanding. Looking at several artefacts and illustrations of tombs from the era, we have deduced lots about the civilisation. In English, we have written newspaper reports about the events at the weekend, trying to be as formal as possible. We also had a fantastic workshop with Mr Golden, developing our own online world in Minecraft to inspire us to write a survival story for our Cold Write. In Science this week, the conductivity of different solutions was under investigation. In music, the children recorded their compositions, which they have been developing over the last few weeks. In addition, we have also been trying to increase the daily amount of physical activity in the hope we all reach the target of 60 minutes per day. Amidst all of this, the Year 5s completed their end of year assessments with the other Year 5s in Oak - well done to you all for having such fantastic attitudes.

English: to write a survival story and writing a formal newspaper report

Maths: to record data in tables