



**Haslingfield  
Endowed Primary  
School**

# Newsletter

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## Dates

- Open door parents evening – Mon 9<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6/Beech Performance – Weds 11<sup>th</sup> July
- Beech Enterprise Day – Mon-Tues 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July
- Talent Show and Leavers' Party – Weds 18<sup>th</sup> July
- Leaver's Assembly – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July

## Letters Home

- Out of School Club and Morning Activity Club September Bookings
- Year 5 and 6 Sex and Relationship Education
- Year 6 Talent Show and Leavers' Party
- Trophies and Badges

## Ash Class Plea

**If you have a play kitchen or any dolls house furniture or dolls that you no longer require, Ash Class would be very grateful for any donations. Thank you, Mrs Lightfoot.**

## Nearly New Sale Thanks

Thank you to all who donated to and bought from the last nearly new uniform sale. An amazing £114.50 was raised for our PTFA.

Clare and Lisa

## Headteacher's Bulletin

The choir's competition was an enjoyable experience for those who attended and those with whom I have spoken with subsequently; we now await the final outcome! Next term the school will be organising an election for a new school governor; this position will be important to help ensure we maintain a high standard of provision across the school. Mrs Norris, our MFL/Spanish teacher has been working with children and other members of staff to complete the next stage of our International Award Work which we hope will be ready by the end of next week. It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of term and all the staff have been extremely busy ensuring not only all planned activities are completed but they are already making preparations for the next academic year.

**Graeme McLeod**

## Morning Activity Club

On Monday we made models with super dough which we will decorate next week, having allowed extra time for them to dry. We have also made star fish from foil and tissue paper and collages from wool. Mia drew, "a map about the gingerbread man".

## Spanish - Mrs Norris

This week in Hazel Class we read "Querido Zoo" (Dear Zoo). The pupils had fun trying to guess what animal was in each package and then work out why it wasn't a suitable pet (all in Spanish of course). Hawthorn Class worked on a variety of reading tasks to identify hairstyles and eye colour. Oak Class learnt how to say what countries are famous for and tried to spot false information in some statements. They then corrected the false statements very successfully. The Year 5 pupils in Beech Class searched for the names of the 32 original World Cup teams in Spanish in a wordsearch and tried to identify as many flags as possible. Next week Year 6s will be writing a letter about themselves in Spanish which I will pass on to their language teachers at Comberton Village College so it would be great if they could remind themselves of everything they have learnt since Christmas using their keyword sheets.

## Choir Trip

On Wednesday I was lucky enough to be invited to join a group of children to the finals of the Music for Youth school choir festival. Children from Haslingfield joined children from Harston and Newton and Cottenham primary schools to take part in the Festival at the Symphony Hall in Birmingham.

The venue was amazing and the choir looked like real professionals! The children were introduced to the singing mentors who would be listening to their performance and giving feedback after hearing all of the 9 schools in the morning session. Wow, what can I say? The children gave each of the 4 songs their all. After their songs, we all had the chance to listen to the rest of the schools sing and it was a great mix of singing styles and ages of children. I felt so fortunate to watch the children who obviously have put so much effort into their singing with Mrs Lihoreau, What an amazing experience it was for all.  
Mrs Fallon

**Ash Mrs Lightfoot and Mrs Fallon:** We have really enjoyed this week in Ash class, the weather has continued to be beautiful and we have been making the most of the outside area. For our topic this week, we had a great visit from Jess's Dad who told us all about what it is like to live in America. The children enjoyed counting his dollars and eating the Oreo biscuits! We wrote about his visit in our travel diaries. We also looked at how Americans celebrate Independence day. This week has been very exciting as we got to visit our new classroom and classmates. We had a super morning in Birch class where we talked about the year ahead, wrote about what we are looking forward to and if we had any worries. In Maths we have been doing some football related adding and taking away, ready for Saturday's exciting match, let's hope lots of adding takes place for England. Swimming has been fantastic, such a confident class of children, well done Ash.

English: to write a sentence that I can read back to others.  
Maths: to add and take away using a numberline.



**Birch – Miss Peck:** We have had a very busy week in Birch class this week. At the beginning of the week we thought about our trip to Hunstanton and talked about all of the fantastic things there were to do there. We then made posters to advertise Hunstanton to encourage other people to go along. The posters were very colourful and persuasive! The children wrote letters to the sea life centre to say thank you for our trip. The letters have now been sent off and I am sure they will be very pleased to receive them. The children have put their finishing touches to their paintings inspired by Natalie Pascoe by using a black pen to define the different parts of their work. Mrs Smart and I are so impressed with the finished pieces. The children enjoyed their swimming session on Monday and have been working on their front crawl technique. We are all very impressed by the fantastic progress they have made. Due to move up morning we couldn't swim on Thursday. I will make up an extra session next week and will let you know by parent mail. On Thursday the children moved up to their new classes and really enjoyed finding out what their topic will be in September and getting used to new classrooms and making new friends. We have some very excited children that are ready for their journey to year 2! We have spent some time practising our assembly this week and have enjoyed looking back over the term at all of the exciting things that we have been doing. We really hope you enjoyed watching our assembly and joining in. Enjoy the sunny weekend and have a well deserved rest.



**Hazel – Mrs Walls and Mrs Maddison:** Hazel class have been taking advantage of the glorious weather this week and have been doing maths lessons outside (in the shade!). It's all about measuring - weight, length and capacity. We've been doing lots of practical activities so that the children have lots of hands on experience using scales, rulers and measuring jugs. We've also injected a little bit of Anglo-Saxon into our literacy lessons by creating Kennings poems about sea creatures. We created our recycled plastic models which we proudly displayed as part of the arts evening on Tuesday and we had a very splashy swimming lesson in the sun! In our final two weeks we will be doing lots of painting and exploring different painting styles and techniques - we have been very inspired by the artistic photography of Andy Goldsworthy and want to carry on this enthusiasm for art. We will also be writing fantasy stories and consolidating our learning in measurement and time.

English: To write a sea creature poem  
Maths: To practise measuring weights

**Hawthorn – Mr Brown:** This week in Hawthorn class we have been revisiting Elena's Serenade by discovering how characters feel in different scenes through acting it out using body language and getting others to describe how their actions portray the emotions. In Maths we have been using isometric paper to draw 3D cubes. On the first day we used the lesson to practice creating the cubes whilst giving small challenges at the same time and then the following day we explored how many different types of shapes we could create. In RE, we looked at important symbols and their meanings from the Jewish faith. We learnt about a good luck charm called a Hamsa which is a hand shape symbol with an eye in the middle and is worn to remind Jews of God's protection. We also had a very successful transition morning on Thursday and in the afternoon we wrote a letter to our class teacher to tell them about what we like, what we enjoy about school and what we are looking forward to next year.

English: To write a setting description

Maths: to practise out 3D shapes



**Oak – Miss Kimberley:** Back to some semblance of normality this week. Following our trip to Hunstanton and the Sea Life Centre last week, the children created their own Sea Life information posters on their favourite sea life creature. Some chose to do this by hand and some chose to use the word processor. All their efforts were amazing and demonstrated just how much they learnt on the visit. We have been doing a lot of cross curricular writing, including the journey of a piece of food through the human digestive system, from the view point of the food itself. They were encouraged to use descriptive language, powerful verbs and emotive language. In Maths we have continued to look at the units of measure and comparison and conversion between metric and imperial units of measure. Swimming has been going really well and every lesson the children can be seen to have improved technically in their different strokes. Mrs Williams has been instrumental in this improvement, having herself swum competitively at county level. I was in attendance at the Expressive Arts evening this week and thoroughly enjoyed it. It is so interesting to see our children in a completely different context and some children really surprised. What was evident was all their increased confidence and technical improvement in art and music. Thank you to everyone who took part. It was a lovely evening all round.

English: to write a recount using descriptive language.  
Maths: to identify the different units of measure both metric and imperial.



**Beech – Miss Petty:** This week, Beech class have been working hard on their end of year play. On Monday Beech enjoyed a session of swimming before rehearsing the play 'Go for Gold'. On Tuesday, we rehearsed for the fantastic Expressive Arts' evening. In science on Wednesday, Beech learnt about the ear and made posters. Afterwards, Beech completed an experiment using string and a spoon to find out how sound waves travel. On Thursday the year 5 pupils in Beech experienced what year 6 would be like with Mr Brown and Miss Houghton the year six pupils spent Thursday and Friday at Comberton enjoying the Athletics festival. Overall Beech class have had a really enjoyable week and can't wait for next year.