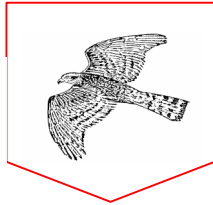


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Dear Parent / Carer,

Half term is here!

It has been a busy 8 weeks where the children have been learning about how to develop their skills of reciprocity. They have learnt how to work as a member of the group, when it is important to lead discussions and when it is important to listen. They have also learnt how to improve their learning by watching what others do to improve their own skills, and understand the times it is best to work alone, and when it is best to learn with others.

Next half term we will be focussing on how to improve the children's skills of resourcefulness. They will be taught the importance of reflecting on what they have learnt in a lesson, and how they best learn, they will be asked to consider ways in which their work can be improved, and what resources etc that they would consider would improve their learning. Each week in the newsletter after half term I will include a couple of questions that you may like to use with your children to REALLY find out what they have been learning in school, these questions will be questions that the class teachers will be asking the children too.

You may have noticed our new Geography gold logo on the newsletter, and Mr Rogers will be changing the silver to gold on the website over the holidays! If you are ever sat in the waiting area near Mrs Crook's office see if you can spot the Gold certificate from the Geography Association amongst the others!

I can't believe there are 2 mentions of Christmas on the reverse of the newsletter this week, those of you who know me well will appreciate how much it pains me to mention Christmas before December 20th, but a child did stop me in the corridor this week and told me that there were only 62 days until Christmas!!!

Happy Half Term!

Yours sincerely

Aly Ward



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Diary Dates!

- 23rd October – Last day of this half term
- 24th October – Staff training day
- 3rd November – Back to school
- 7th November – Drink and Think (Tickets from Miss Dawe)
- 19th November – PTFA meeting
- 22nd November – Christmas Shopping Trip to Bromley
- 16th December – Christmas nativity
- 18th December – School Christmas Dinner

Drink and Think

Tickets are available from Miss Dawe – they are selling quickly, so let her know if you would like any!

£2.50 per person, teams of max 6.



Wild Wood Visit – Year 3 & 4

The Wildwood group came to visit the Year 3 and 4s this week, and 56 on Thursday. The Y34 children learnt all about wildlife from around the world. The children investigated a variety of animal skins, antlers and skeletons. The children also had to answer a quiz. Lots of fun was had by all!



Hawkinge Primary School Christmas Shopping Trip To Romford



Saturday 22nd November
Bargain price of
£10.00 per person



(Check out other offers in the local press)
Call into the school office to pay and book your seat(s)

Gladiators Tournament

Dragonflies' class took part in the Annual Gladiator Festival this week. Lots of fun was had by all as the children took part in lots of team games such as Run The Gauntlet, Reaction Wall and Tug of War. Jessica Rumsey won the prize for the fastest Speed Stacker of the tournament with a time of 9.4 seconds. I understood Mrs Webb also participated and is now being compared to the gladiator Jet by some of the staff!!

Football Tournament – Saturday 18th November

On the 18th of October 2008 the Hawkinge Primary School football team had an early start to the weekend because they had their first tournament of the season in Greatstone. They had a terrific opener over St Eanswythe. Captain Alfie Dickinson scored a hat trick and a debut goal for Liam Jelley. **Hawkinge 4 St Eanswythe 0.**

Our next opponents were Lydd and that was a tricky game. Liam clinched a goal after a cracking pass from Alfie, but just before the whistle blew Lydd equalised. **Hawkinge 1 Lydd 1**

Our third game was against Hythe Bay where Hawkinge let the football do the talking after Hythe Bay resorted to name calling (pre match). Hawkinge played strongly securing a 2 – 1 win! **Hawkinge 2 Hythe Bay 1**

Hawkinge went unbeaten into their final game against Park Farm, but only a win would secure them a place in the next round. Hawkinge battled bravely but a strong Park Farm team won.

Hawkinge 0 Park Farm 2

A good mornings work for this years 'new team'. Man of the match was Conor "Ted" Guilfoyle.

Notice to Parents of pupils in Y6

The SCAF forms (Blue Secondary school choice forms) must be returned to school by 7th November at the latest. Once they are returned to school on the afternoon of the 7th we deliver them to another local school where they are collated and sent off. Any late forms that are submitted are only considered once the forms that were submitted on time have been allocated places. So please do not return your form late. Mrs Crook may telephone you after half term to remind you!