

# Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

In this weeks envelope you should receive your children's targets for the coming term, and a letter to make an appointment at this terms Parents Evening.

I know it might seem early on in the school year to start discussing your child's targets and progress, but teachers have already planned the intervention groups that will be taking place to ensure any pupils who need additional support will be getting it, and are already working towards ensuring your child meets their Autumn Term Target.

It is with great pleasure I can share some great news with you. Warrant Officer John Lester (Dad of Grace in Y2) has been awarded The Queens Gallantry Medal for outstanding bravery and exemplary leadership of disposing bombs during a 6 month tour of Duty in Afghanistan. I am sure you would like to join with me, the staff, governors and pupils in congratulating him. Grace is exceptionally proud of her dad, and has enjoyed telling us all about it.

On Monday the pupils in Y56 had a great time learning how to play African Drums. An African Drummer came into school and led a workshop for each class, which they thoroughly enjoyed. The floor in my office was shaking at one stage – can you imagine the sound produced by 30 Y56 pupils banging on African Drums? They had a great time.

Pupils in Y34 have been on the first school trip of the year. As part of their art and history schemes of work they went to Dover Painted House to learn more about the Romans, and particularly about Roman art. They had the opportunity to take part in making a Roman Mosaic.

All the children in Woodpeckers and Kingfishers classes have started school this week. They did their first full day on Thursday, and many looked very tired by the end of it (I won't comment about the staff!) but fun was had by all.

Mr Wright is not going to be at school for the next couple of weeks, he is having some 'work done' on his knee again. For a short time this will mean that the Zebra Crossing outside of the school will not be manned with a crossing patrol. Please ensure you speak to your children about crossing the road safely, as I have done in school, to prevent any accidents. I am hoping someone will be covering his absence from the middle of next week.

Have a good weekend,

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## Diary Dates:

### September

- 22<sup>nd</sup> – English and a Second Language lessons start (12:45pm)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – PTFA AGM – 7:30pm – ALL welcome
- 25<sup>th</sup> – European Day of Languages (details to follow)
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening

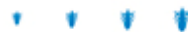
### October

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jeans 4 Genes day
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Year R open Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Harvest Festival – performed by Y34
- **23<sup>rd</sup> (Friday) Development Day**
- 24<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> November – Half Term!

## Remember:

Once a week, take a peek!

*Actual size of headlice  
in stages of growth*



## Wellington Boots!

Have you got any spare Wellington boots for children in sizes 9, 10 and 10 1/2?

If so, could you donate them to Ms Thompson / Miss Foster for the children to use in their classes when they go out on their Wellie Walks?



## Video conferencing

On Tuesday children from Ospreys and Fire Crests will be video conferencing with an expert on India. They will be finding out more about Indian Culture, religion, history and will have the opportunity to look at many images of the Taj Mahal. If you have a child in Y56 – remember to ask them about it on Tuesday.

## A special mention.....

To **Ryan Taylor** (a past pupil from the school) who made his debut playing for Kent last weekend, and scored a goal! Unfortunately the team lost 4 -2. Well done Ryan, we are all very impressed and proud!



## Message from the PTFA

All parents/guardians and teachers are invited to attend the Hawkinge Primary PTFA 2009 AGM in the school hall. On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2009 at 7.00pm

### Agenda

- Welcome new parents
- Elect new committee
- New signatories & accounts
- Summer fete wash up
- Announce winner of 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Balloon Race
- Autumn / Winter terms PTFA Events
- Purchase of Interactive Handsets
- Proposal to assist with purchase of Football goals

Your support, suggestions and points of view are always welcome. If you are unable to attend the meeting but you have a point to raise, please submit this in writing to The Chairman of Hawkinge Primary PTFA in a sealed envelope and hand it to Mrs Crook in the school office. Please come and spend a short while with us at the school in an informal surrounding, have a coffee and meet other parents.

The events that are staged are only possible with your help. Over the years these funds have been used to buy interactive white boards, play equipment, very special school outings, equipment for pupil voice (playground games) and a sports container facility.

Last year a very small team of parents and teachers managed to stage some excellent activities that were well supported and enabled the PTFA to make some major purchases for the school which ultimately enhances your child's surroundings. With a little more help we can achieve better and even more enjoyable events.

I look forward to seeing lots of new faces!

**Doug Martin**

(Chairman of the Hawkinge Primary PTFA)

## Reminder – Break time snacks

The school has a policy of fresh fruit / vegetables as a break time snack – please do not send your child in with a frit and nut bar /cheese straw at break times – they are not allowed!

## Breakfast Club

We have some spaces at Breakfast club available every day at the moment. Breakfast only costs £1 and there is a varied healthy menu served over a 2 week programme. If you are interested please contact the school office.

## Mrs Hughes Money Saving Tip of the Week

If you have access to the internet google 'martins money saving tips' or go direct to website using <http://www.moneysavingexpert.com> where you can sign up for weekly emails to be sent to you with a whole range of discounts, offers and good money saving advice.