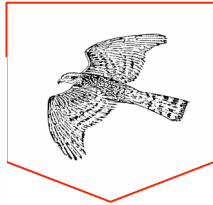


# Hawkinge Primary School



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Dear Parents,

It was a nerve wracking weekend for parents of Y6 pupils last weekend, who were waiting to find out about their child's Secondary Schools for September. I am sure many of you have heard about the 'mix up' of dates being released early on the internet etc, but we have all survived the week and have come out of it all the other end! It is always a tricky time for Y6 pupils, they start to realise that this is real and they will be leaving this school shortly, and what a big step it is! Miss Dawe is in charge of Transition from Y6-Y7 and last year planned a superb transition event to ensure our children were as prepared as they could be for secondary school. Once a week, they went over to the Community Centre and met up with children from The Churchill School and Selsted School who would be going to their new school with them. They got to know each other and more about their new schools. We intend to follow the same programme this year, which I am sure, is reassuring to Y6 children and parents alike.

Miss Milborrow's class had a treat this week, they used our video conferencing facilities to video conference with Samuel Pepys' maid (Pepys was the man who kept a diary which historians use to find out more about the past.) He started it on 1 January 1660 and wrote about many events in London's history including the plague of 1665, the Great Fire of London and Charles II's coronation - and some of the key figures of the era, including Sir Christopher Wren and Sir Isaac Newton. The children in Miss Milborrow's class were asked by his maid what they were learning about and she showed them some artefacts from the past.

Today sees the last of the class breakfasts, and they seem to have been a real success. They have been very well attended, and the children have really enjoyed them. By the end of the weekend photographs of the class breakfasts should all be on the school website - so please have a look to see whether you can find yourselves! Thanks once more to Miss Dawe who had the initial idea, and to all staff for managing to fit in an extra trip to the supermarket amongst all the other things they manage to fit in each week!

I hope you have a nice weekend,

Aly Ward

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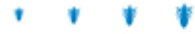
### Diary Dates - February / March

- 9<sup>th</sup> March - Phonics workshop for parents
- 18<sup>th</sup> March - Bank open
- 29<sup>th</sup> March - Reception Height and Weight measuring
- 1<sup>st</sup> April - last day - break up for Easter

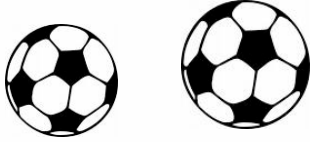
### Remember:

Once a week, take a peek!

*Actual size of headlice in stages of growth*



Good luck to Liam Jelly and Conor Furniss who have both been selected to play for Shepway this weekend!  
Well Done



### E-safety resources

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) is an excellent website with resources for all age groups including activities and video clips.  
Why not share this with your children, and learn together?

We are collecting Tesco Schools Vouchers and Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers. Please keep your eyes peeled for them!

### What makes 5 a day?

Last week the children took part in a Pupil Voice session about healthy eating. They were asked if they regularly ate 5 pieces of fruit or vegetables a day so here are some suggestions if you want to see if you can include 5 a day. Pick 5 portions.

- Fresh, frozen or tinned fruit and vegetables. Try to buy tinned fruit and vegetables with no added sugar or salt.
- Dried fruit such as raisins, sultanas, apricots
- Vegetables cooked as part of a sauce e.g. onion, carrots, tomatoes
- A glass (150ml) unsweetened fruit or vegetable juice.
- Fruit smoothies (some count as 2 portions)
- Beans and pulses such as chick peas, baked beans, kidney beans.

Potatoes do **not count** as they are too rich in carbohydrate like bread and pasta.

Watch out for more tips next week from Miss Walker or check out the website [www.5aday.nhs.uk](http://www.5aday.nhs.uk).

### Governor News

*The school governors have requested a box on the weekly newsletter to tell all parents more about them and what they do. This week it is all about Mrs Crook.*

Most of you will probably know me as school secretary! I am the appointed support staff governor & I have recently become the Health & Safety representative for the school.

You can usually find me at my desk at the front of the school if you would like to come and say hi or if you have any governor issues you would like to discuss.

### PTFA NEWS



This week the PTFA met to plan this year's Easter Egg Hunt. It will be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Tickets will be on sale next week - see Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien when you drop children off at school. Tickets will be £1. Any donations of Easter Eggs would be welcomed by the PTFA

### Money Saving tip of the week

After reading the PTFA news about the Easter Egg hunt my tip this week is to buy your eggs early!!!! Many supermarkets have them on offer, Asda were offering Cadbury eggs for £1!! If you see them on offer buy them there and then, the offers don't last, BUT you can guarantee that if one shop has them then the others will follow.

### I would like to attend the following workshops:

- How we teach phonics in school - Suitable for all parents - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March - 2pm

Name of parent:

Name of child: