

Hawkinge Primary School



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Dear Parents / Carers,

I always feel very proud to be head teacher of Hawkinge Primary School, and last weekend was another reminder to me of how proud I feel. On Saturday it was lovely to see so many families attend our Christmas Crafts morning. We did try to count the number of people in the hall and lost count on many occasions! It was smashing to see so many children working with their parents making Christmas items. Over the weekend there should be some photographs added to the website of the morning, please do have a look. It was such a busy morning, and I know I was exhausted by the end of it - so I would like to thank staff who led workshops at the craft morning and especially Miss Dawe who organised it all.

On Sunday I went to the Community Centre for the traditional Hawkinge Carol Concert. Many of our children came along and performed to the village. Mrs Rand's recorder group played 3 songs, Miss Walker's singing club sang a couple of beautiful songs - they looked so angelic! The School Choir (led by Miss Hanner) also performed very well, singing beautifully. They are all in demand - this week (on Wednesday) they went to Hawkinge House (the residential home behind Lidl's) to perform / sing to the residents there. The residents thoroughly enjoyed their performances and said they were the 'best choirs / musicians they had heard this year'! Again, none of this would be possible without the commitment of staff who run after school clubs - so many thanks to them!

Today the school is looking very Christmas-y. Trees are up in classrooms and a variety of decorations! As I write this letter the PTFA are busy selling pre wrapped Christmas gifts to children - it all feels very festive!

Please do remember to return any raffle tickets this week - the Christmas Fair is on Thursday 15th December. The dance club will be performing from 5:45pm - 6:10pm and the fair will be open after the performance. Santa will be coming to the Christmas fair (even though this is a busy time of year for him) He has asked to spend time in the Pavilion, and would like to meet some of the children. He will be bringing 2 elves and an official photographer with him. It will cost £2 to see him (all the family can see him for £2 together), and as a gift his photographers will take a photo of the occasion and deliver it into school the next day.

What a busy time of year!

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Diary dates

- 12th December - Y56 landing pad assembly (PM)
- 13th December - Y34 landing pad assembly (PM)
- 14th December - Nativity play (AM) in Community Centre
- 15th December - Christmas Fair (Evening)
- 16th December - Last day!
- 4th January (Wednesday) children start back at school
- 10th February - break up!

School lunches

Next week we will be following the special Christmas week menu!

Don't forget the meals cost £2:10 a day and they should be paid on Monday



After School Club

As you know we have an After School Club on site that opens from 3pm - 6pm every day.

We currently have some spaces available after the Christmas holidays on Thursdays and Fridays

The cost of sending a child for a session is £7:50

If you are interested in a place for your child, or would like to find out more please telephone Di Bishop on 07909935821

House points update!

On Monday the house points total stood at:

Hurricane: 551
(Yellow)
Lysander: 713
(Blue)
Lancaster: 539
(Green)
Spitfire: 546
(Red)

KS1 politeness awards

Each week in KS1 3 children are nominated for politeness awards. This week the children nominated were:

Eleanor Goodchild, Emily Skinner and Ben Want

Well done to all 3 pupils.



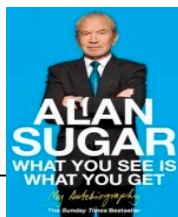
Today we are saying good bye to 3 student teachers who have been with us this term, and have done a wonderful job - Miss Henry, Miss Holborough and Mr Walls. They have all worked so hard this term, and have fitted into the school exceptionally well. The staffroom will seem much bigger without them!

School Dinner Money!

Some of you may have noticed that Mrs Webb has not been in the Green Room this week - she is not well, and is not at school. So Mrs Hughes and I have been doing the registers and dinner registers! Thank you for your patience and understanding. I am getting better at the job each day - but we are really missing Mrs Webb!

Money saving tip of the week

You can buy Alan Sugars new book **WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET** for a special price of £2.99 when you buy The Times at WH Smiths any day this week. The offer is open until Sunday 11th December 2011. After that date the book will cost £7.99!



Thank You!

Thank you to Folkestone Garden Centre who kindly donated a Christmas tree to Penguins and Kangaroos outdoor classroom!

They will be busy decorating it later today - weather permitting (or Monday if not!)



Every week - take a peek!

Please check your child's hair for head lice this weekend!



These are the actual size of head lice in different stages of growth