

Hawkinge Primary School



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Friday 4th October

Dear Parents,

Yesterday was a lovely afternoon for the children in Paddington Class and their brothers and sisters who attend our school. The siblings of Paddington pupils were invited to spend the afternoon with the new children in school - and it looked such fun! Children were busy painting with each other, building towers, playing in the role play area, reading stories and much, much more! I am sure they have told you all about it! The children in Corduroy Class will be inviting their siblings to join them next week!

Next Wednesday we will be saying good-bye (temporarily!) to Mrs Maitland. If you have seen her recently you will know that she is leaving us to have a baby. Her baby is due later on this month, so for the next couple of weeks she will have time to get all the last minute preparations completed! Mrs Maitland will be a great mum to her new baby and I am sure you would like to join with me and the staff in wishing her and her husband well (and lots of sleep) over the next few months. Hopefully we will see her for visits with the new baby soon!

We have had to have a change of dates for Parents Evening this term. Parents Evening was scheduled for Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th October, but instead we will be holding these meetings on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October - letters to follow.

Don't forget next Friday will be Red, White and Blue day - the children are invited to come into school wearing red, white and / or blue in return for £1 - all the money raised will go towards supporting the work of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines charity, the ABF Soldiers Charity and The Royal Air force Benevolent fund.

Have a good weekend

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Diary Dates

- 15th October - Parents evening
- 16th October - Parents evening
- 22nd - Y6 Parents SCAF evening (optional)
- 23rd October - Y1 /2 Landing pad assembly (2:15pm)
- 24th October - Y5/ 6 Landing pad assembly (2:15pm)
- 25th October - Y3/ 4Landing pad assembly (2:15pm)
- 28th October - half term begins!

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals cost £2:20 a day / £11 a week.

Next week the kitchen will be serving from week 2

Menus are available on the school website

Red, White and Blue Non-Uniform Day

We will be taking part in the national Red, White and Blue day on **Friday 11th October**.

We would ask that the children to come into school dressed in red, white and blue clothes for a donation of £1.

The money raised will be used to support three charities – The Royal Navy and Marines Charity, The Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund and The Soldiers' Charity.

For further details you can visit the website: redwhiteblueday.co.uk

Reading with your son / daughter

Oxford Owl (Oxford Reading Tree) have nearly 300 totally free e-books for children to download and read on a tablet or on the computer!

Signing up is free and the books include classics like Winnie the Witch too!

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

School Lunches

If you pay for your child's school lunch it would be much easier for us if you sent the money into school in a School Lunch money envelope with your son / daughters name & class clearly marked on the envelope. Please collect a handful of them from the school office / Mrs Webb in the Green Room

E – SAFETY INFORMATION OF THE WEEK!

DID YOU KNOW?

Current trends with technology use amongst children:

- Forty-six per cent of parents agree with the statement: 'my child knows more about the internet than I do'.
- Agreement increases with each age group: 22% of parents of those aged 5–7; 35% of parents of those aged 8–11; and 67% of parents of those aged 12–15.
- In addition, 54% of those aged 12–15 say that they know how to delete their online history and 26% say they have done this in the last year.
- Twenty-two per cent say they know how to disable any online filters or controls, while 8% say they have done this in the last year.

(Inspecting e-safety 2013) OFSTED

Attendance / holidays

Please do remember that we are not in a position to be able to authorise holidays for children during school time. If there is a reason your son / daughter needs time out of school for an exceptional circumstance please complete the exceptional circumstance form that can be found in the school office or on the school website – About Us / Policy link / Attendance Policy. The Governors have adopted an up to date Attendance Policy this week, and this will be added to the website over the weekend too.

Every week – take a peek!

Please check your child's hair for head lice this weekend, there seems to be an outbreak of headlice in school at the moment.



Above is a picture of the actual size of head lice in different stages of growth!!!!!!