Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who entered the 'name the gritter competition' the entries have been sent off and we are now eagerly awaiting the results. Some of the proposed names for a Hawkinge Gritter are as follows:

Salty, Graham the Gritter, Sprinkle, Thor, Sir Grit-A-Lot, The Snow Destroyer, Victor, Gritsy, Nitty, Storm Trooper, Buster, Tiger, Grittzee, The Grinch, Mr Cool, Spitfire Saver, Snow Storm, Meltdown, clearway, Gritter Gritter, Magnificent Snow Machine, Ice Crusher Iain. They have all made us smile in school!

I had an e mail last night to say that the first Walk on Wednesday Challenge Day of this school year is on Wednesday 23rd October. On the challenge day all schools in Shepway submit the number of children who walk to school on that day, and the winning class receive a prize! Last year the prize was entrance tickets to Leeds Castle! So please do make an extra special effort on Wednesday to walk or scoot to school!

This week saw the first pupil voice session of the year. During the Pupil Voice meetings children from Year 1- Year 6 assemble in different classrooms across the school (in each classroom there will be a mixture of children from year 1 - 6) and pupils in Year 6 lead the sessions as if they are the teachers in the classroom. During the Pupil Voice Meeting today the Y6 children facilitate discussions about e safety, and how children can keep safe on the internet, and they also asked the children for some ideas as to what the PTFA could spend some money on! I am sure the results of these discussions will be published in next weeks newsletter!

If you have been in school this week you will have smelt the lovely aroma of Bilbo Baggins class cookery. They have been making lamb / pork Koftas as part of their Design and Technology lessons linking with their It Is All Greek to Me theme! The children have been so excited that many have asked Miss Dawe for the recipe to take home with them!

On Monday it is a very special day for Mr Wright - it is his 65th birthday! If you see him make sure you mention it!!!



Diary Dates

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

Landing Pad Assemblies next week

Just a reminder that the Landing Pad assemblies for the classes are above. Please come to the school car park gates at 2pm when Mr Wright will let you into school! Please do not use the school office entrance.

Children should be collected as usual at the end of the day.

If you take a photograph of your child at the assembly and another child is ion the picture PLEASE do not publish it on any social networking sites. The safety of some children at this school could be compromised if you do so.

THANK YOU!

Money saving tip of the week!

Looking for something to do over half term? Why not take your children to Amazing Glaze in Hythe?

If you would like to collect a £5 voucher off studio fees (so all you pay for is the actual piece of pottery that you paint) please ask at the school office for a voucher.

E – SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK!

Make sure your child knows this important e –safety rule:

Don't tell strangers where you live, your phone number or where you go to school. Only your friends and family need to know that.

Message from Folkestone Rainbow Centre

Our crisis drop-in is open from 10am to 1pm Monday to Friday each week serving individuals and families. We give emergency food to homeless people or those without any form of income. We believe in providing support for the most vulnerable in our community.

Donations of food and toiletries are always welcome. The following list includes the types of food that those who are homeless find most helpful. Why not add one or two items to your shopping list?

- Tins of cooked meat, corned beef or ham for example
- Tins of fish such as tuna or pilchards
- Tinned main meals such as curry or meatballs for example
- Tins of soup and cuppa soup
- Tins of vegetables
- Tins of fruit or rice pudding
- Biscuits or cream crackers
- Jars of coffee
- Sugar
- Cartons of long life milk (preferably half litre)

Please note that ring-pull cans are particularly useful. We are unable to utilise fresh food of any sort. We also need toiletries for both male and female guests especially toothpaste and shower gel. Thank you for helping to support those in need in Shepway

This terms Landing Pad Assemblies will have a harvest theme – please make any food donations (as above) during the last week of term – preferably on the day of your child's Landing Pad Assembly) All Harvest Items will be collected at Lunchtime on Friday - thank you

Half term attendance figures

Below are the percentage attendance figures so far this term

Corduroy	95.9
Paddington Bear	96.0
Elmer	96.9
Stripy Horse	96.0
Piglet	96.2
The Minpins	98.7
Dumbledore	94.4
Cheshire Cat	96.9
Moomins	97.3
The Musketeers	94.8
Bilbo Baggins	95.4
Aslan	98.4

Well done Minpins for having the best attendance so far this half term – followed behind very closely by Aslan class!

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.

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

School Lunches!

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

Next week the kitchen will be serving from week 1