

Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

You may have noticed that a cycle shed has been erected this week behind the mobile classroom. Once it is up and running (after half term) we are hoping to be able to change our No Bikes rule we have in school and be able to give 9 pupils a pass to be able to store their bikes at school each day. I will be sending a letter out after the half term break to explain how we propose to manage the system. In the meantime can I remind everyone that we do currently have a no bike rule (some have sneaked into school over the last few weeks!!) We would ask that you support this rule.

Last Friday our Teaching Assistants joined with the TAs from Cheriton Primary School, Selsted Primary School and The Churchill School for our first ever Vicus TA Conference. The Special Needs Co-ordinators from each school delivered a training session to the TAs and an outside speaker also led a session. If you would like to see some photographs of the day have a look on the school website under the Vicus Schools link.

For parents of children in Year 6 can I inform you that Online applications to transfer to Secondary school in Sept 2015 are now open. The national closing date for applications is 31st October 2014 but Kent will accept applications from Kent parents until midnight on Wednesday 5th November to allow parents extra time to consider their school options following the Kent Test results which will be sent out on the 15th October. To apply on line go to www.kent.gov.uk/ola If you need any help applying on line please contact either myself or Mr O'Brien. Many of the Secondary Schools are having Open Evenings at the moment - have a look on their school websites for more information.

Next Friday we will be holding a Red, White and Blue day at school - more information on the reverse of this newsletter.

Have a good weekend

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Dates for your diary

October

15th - Kent Test Results sent to parents

21st – Year 5/6 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm

22nd – Year 3/4 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm

23rd – Year 1/ 2 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm

Change of date – Nativity Play

Wednesday 17th December 9:30 – 10:30am

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals cost £2:30 a day if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6.

School meals will be served from the week 2 menu next week

Menus are available on the school website

Go to About Us – Documents



FRIDAY 10th OCTOBER

3 charities, 3 colours, 1 cause, £1

We at Hawkinge Primary School are pleased to support Red, White & Blue Day. It is a chance to show support for the huge number of Service families in the UK. Red, White & Blue Day is a national campaign focusing on Service children and aims to help their school friends understand the pressures they undergo when separated from one or more of their parents for long periods at a time.

On Friday 10th October 2014, children are asked to dress in red, white and blue and, if possible, to donate £1 to the Red, White & Blue Day charities - ABF The Soldiers' Charity; The RAF Benevolent Fund and The Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity. In addition to their donation children can bring in any copper coins (1p and 2p coins) to create 'A Wall of Pennies'. Let's see how much we can raise!

Every week – take a peek!

I was listening to the radio the other day and a nurse was saying that there has been an increase in headlice outbreaks recently – they have evidence to support the thought it is because so many people are taking 'Selfies'!

Please check your child's hair for head lice this weekend. Regular checks prevent the spread of head lice in school.

E safety tip of the week

Never give out pictures online or over a mobile unless you know the person in real life. It is easy for people to take your pictures and alter them, send them on, or even pretend to be you with them.

Well done to Jack Nelson who took part in trials for Shepway District Football Team. He was successfully chosen!
Well done Jack!

Are you a parent of a pupil in Kandinsky or Van Gogh class?

We have a good stock of coloured PE t-shirts available at the moment fitting children aged 5-6 years. If you would like to buy one please come and visit Mrs Crook. T shirts cost £2:80.

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.

Term times for 2014-2015 are as follows:

October Half Term – 27/10/14-03/11//14

Christmas holidays – 22 / 12/2014 – 5/01/14

February Half Term - 16/02/15 – 23/02/15

Easter holidays – 02/04/15 – 20/04/15

May Half Term – 25/05/15 – 01/06/15

Summer holidays – 27th July