

# Hawkinge Primary School



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Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful to see so many parents this week coming to speak to the teachers during the parents' evening appointments. Many parents spoke to me about how proud they were of the standard of work in the books they saw. I agree. The curriculum is really motivating for our pupils – they enjoy what they learn and, as a result, apply themselves well, producing high standards of work in all subject areas. Many parents also commented on the fact they like the way that they could see progress in children's books – especially in Maths books looking at the cold tasks (work completed on the blue paper) comparing them to the hot tasks at the end of the unit of work (on the yellow paper).

Hopefully you will have received your photograph orders this week. There is a 2 week window for you to order these online or by returning the form to the school office. Last orders for the photographs will be on 5<sup>th</sup> December. Any orders that come into school after that date will incur an additional postage charge from the school. Any problems let us know.

On the reverse of the newsletter is an advert about our Christmas Craft morning. This is always a popular event. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend. It is always so lovely to see parents / grandparents and children working together, enjoying each other's company and getting into the 'Christmas Spirit'. As always simple refreshments will be available throughout the morning too. There will be no charge for any of the activities other than the Amazing Glaze pottery activity which has a nominal charge of £5 for each item painted – which is exceptionally good value!

As the weather is turning colder I am pleased to see children coming into school wearing a hat, scarf and gloves. However these items easily get mislaid. Can I ask that over the weekend you name the items (maybe in the label) with a sharpie pen or something similar? That way if they are mislaid they have a better chance of being re-united with their owner in the future! Many thanks for your help with this.

Finally, thank you to everyone who donated 50p last week to our charity collection for Children In Need in exchange for wearing crazy socks. We raised £115.

Have a good weekend

### Diary dates – term 2

#### November

30<sup>th</sup> Christmas Crafts (more info below)

#### December

4<sup>th</sup> – Relationships & Sex Education workshop

10<sup>th</sup> – Y3 /4 Landing pad 2:15pm

10<sup>th</sup> Nativity – R, Y1, Y2 – 9:30am

12<sup>th</sup> – Y5 /6 Landing pad 2:15pm

17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Lunch

18<sup>th</sup> – Last school day of 2019!!

### 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 week 3 next week.

The lunch menu is on the school website.

**Don't forget the Nativity play is on the 10<sup>th</sup> December**

# Christmas Craft Morning

Please join us at school for mince pies and crafts on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November between 10am and 12noon.

Paint something festive for £5 with Amazing Glaze.



Create a hand-made Christmas gift for someone.



Create a range of Christmas decorations.



Make an advent calendar ready for December!

Colour a Christmas card.

Make a mini Christmas wreath.



### RSE Parent workshop for parents of pupils in Years 5 and 6

Parents of pupils in Years 5 and 6 should have received a letter from Mrs Janman last week inviting you to attend a workshop about our Relationships and Sex Education curriculum taught in Term 3 to pupils in years 5 and 6.

Mrs Janman will be holding the workshop on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 2:15 – 3pm and would welcome you to attend so that you are fully informed of the curriculum the teachers will be delivering to your child. This way you will feel fully informed as how to answer any questions your son / daughter may have after their lessons.

If you have not completed the return slip to say you would like to attend the workshop please complete the one below, returning it to either myself or Mr O'Brien in the mornings or Mrs Janman.

My child is in Year 5 or Year 6 and I would like to find out more about the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) that my child will receive this academic year and wish to attend the workshop on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 2:15pm to view the resources used in class.

Name of child ..... Year group .....

Name of parent .....