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Dear Parents,

Another week of firsts this week... In the 19 years I have worked at Hawkinge Primary School we have never had a Parents' Evening outdoors!! It all went far smoother than we could have wished. It has been so nice to be able to catch up with so many of you face to face, the weather stayed dry - there was a hairy moment at 3pm on Thursday where I thought we were all going to get drenched throughout the evening, but the clouds cleared and we had a dry evening. We appreciated your fabulous time keeping that kept the evenings running smoothly – although I have to admit I will be pleased at 3:10pm tonight that I can go back inside!

As you know we have hosted The Plinth this week at school. The children have enjoyed exhibiting their art work on The Plinth. We will be adding some photographs on Facebook over the weekend for you to see examples of the work, the children to exhibit their art work in a Banksy style way!

Somehow (I am not sure how!) we are already heading towards half term. This half term has flown by. As next week is the penultimate week of term we thought we would have a Harvest Theme to the week and therefore ask you to contribute to filling our orange Foodbank bin. Each morning next week we will put the Foodbank Bin near the gate as you come in and if you are able to drop an item in the bin we would really appreciate it. We will then arrange a collection in the final week of this term - all items will be collected by Folkestone Rainbow Centre. The Rainbow Centre always say that any food that we can contribute is always appreciated, however the following list of foods are particularly helpful: Tinned goods (fruit, rice pudding, meat, fish or vegetables) noodles, pasta sauce, biscuits, cereals, UHT milk, long life fruit juice, coffee, tea & hot chocolate. Items such as washing powder, toilet rolls, toothpaste, shower gel (and other toiletries) are also really useful to donate. Thank you for your support with this.

If you have a child in Year 6 and have registered them for the Kent Test, they will be taking it on Thursday – make sure they are well fed in the morning and get a good nights sleep the night before – they will be in for a long day!

In school we have a box of 'lost property' consisting of between 20-30 cardigans / fleeces and jumpers. I have personally gone through them all and have only found 2 with names in that have been returned to the children concerned. Can I ask over the weekend that you check uniform is named – when it is, it is easy to reunite the uniform with the 'owner' – it is impossible and exceptionally time-consuming without! Thank you.

Have a nice weekend