

# Hawkinge Primary School

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Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April

Dear Parents,

On Monday children in the 2 Reception classes went to visit Brockhill Farm for the morning. Whilst at the farm the children fed apple chunks to Hugo and Charlotte the pigs, learnt about the different markings on sheep and stroked a lamb. They found eggs in the chicken coop, fed the cows hay and had the chance to hold a rabbit, guinea pig and even a chinchilla! The children also made animal masks using lots of different materials! A great time was had by all!

On Wednesday, year 1 pupils were joined by children from The Churchill School for a fun afternoon of tri-golf activities. Luckily the weather stayed fine and a great afternoon was had by all. A special well done goes to all the year 6 pupils who assisted in the running of the activities, they helped the year 1's with kindness and consideration and we were told what an asset to the school they are!

We have a busy weekend at school this weekend. On Saturday it is our annual Easter Crafts morning. The school will be open from 10-12noon. Children are welcome to come along with an adult to participate in Easter crafts. All crafts will be free of charge with the exception of the Amazing Glaze pottery painting table - each item on the table will cost £5 to paint and will be returned to school by the end of the Easter holidays. On Sunday it is the Easter Egg Hunt. Please remember that the clocks go forwards Saturday night / Sunday morning! Bring some additional money for a bacon sandwich and a coffee whilst the children hunt for their Easter Eggs!

Next week is the last 3 days of term - we are at school as usual on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday finishing at 3pm on Wednesday afternoon. Can I remind you that the holiday club is open week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> April. If you are interested in a place please contact Tracey on 07905626461

Finally, sadly we have had 2 scooters stolen from school recently. Since having the scooter storage facility (about 5 years ago) we have only had a couple of scooters go missing. I guess sadly the only solution is that if you bring your scooter to school it would be best if it was locked in the scooter stand. A usual bike lock should secure the scooter and prevent yours from being stolen. Can I suggest that if you scoot to school after Easter you also use a lock to secure your scooter?

Have a lovely Easter holiday

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### **Dates for your diary**

27<sup>th</sup> March - Football match after school Hawkinge v Christchurch  
28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Craft morning  
29<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt  
1<sup>st</sup> April – last day of school  
20<sup>th</sup> April – Start back at school

### **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

*The new menu is available on the school website*

### **CHANGES TO PERSISTENT ABSENCE FIGURE**

Persistent absence is currently any pupil that has 85% attendance or less. From September 2015 the Department for Education is raising the persistent absence figure from 85% to 90%.

We are giving you advance notice of this significant change and will inform you as soon as we can of any new procedures we may be required to follow.

Thank you for your continued support!

### **Attendance**

The class with the best attendance last week was Monet - 99.41%.

***Hello, My name is Ali Boddington and I am the minister at Hawkinge Baptist Church. During the Easter school holidays we are organising a family craft morning. It is on Tuesday 14th April from 10 am to 12noon and is a great time for all the family to have fun together. The cost is £1 per child, adults free. Refreshments will be provided.***

### **Folkestone Primary Academy 2 v Hawkinge 3**

Hawkinge played their second Herald Cup match of the season on Friday against Folkestone Academy. Both teams had chances to score but it was Jack Nelson who opened the scoring in the first half. The Academy soon equalised before Jack scored his second goal of the match. We then conceded a second goal to leave the score at the interval at 2-2. Eventually Hawkinge scored the winner in the second half with Jack completing his hat-trick.

The players that represented the school were:

Adam Hall, Jude Farnham, Tegan Graham-Lund, Andrew Davey, Joshua Tanner, Jack Nelson, Lewis Kirby, Jimmy Tonkiss, Lenny Atherton, Jack Laws, Harry Dean and Lyall Ellison. (TGL)

### **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.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

**SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2015 - 10AM TILL 12PM**

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Sunday 29th March 15 at the school from 10am till 12pm. It is one of the main events in the PTFA's calendar and one of the children's favourites.

### **On the Day**

The Easter Egg Hunt will start just after 10am.

KS1 and KS2 will be split into two different sections of the field/playground. These areas will be indicated to you on the day. The KS1 children will go first with the KS2 children following on five minutes later. The rules of the Easter Egg Hunt will be communicated before it commences. Please remember that this is a fun event for the children. The adults will also be able to hunt for their own treasure!

### **Easter Holidays!**

The After School Holiday Club will be open between 13-17<sup>th</sup> April from 8am - 6pm.

If you would like to enrol your child please contact Tracey on 07909 935 821. The children will be having a 'Superheroes' week! The fees are £20 per day / £10 per half day.

**The school will be closed for a staff training day July 10<sup>th</sup>**

### **Every week – take a peek!**

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