

Hawkinge Primary School



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Dear Parents,

It has been another busy week at Hawkinge Primary School.

The week started with a meeting with one of our school governors. As you know after Ofsted came to visit last year they said they would like us to improve the presentation in pupils books, so the school governor came to see how we were getting on with that target. I am pleased to say she was very impressed by the consistency and high level of presentation in the pupils exercise books, with Parents Evenings in a couple of weeks time I hope you feel the same way. (Letters about Parents Evening to follow next week)

On the reverse of this week's newsletter is an advert for a workshop Miss Tappenden will be running next Friday. We had to cancel this week's workshop due to a lack of interest so if you are interested in this one please complete the slip and return to Mr O'Brien or I on the door in the mornings next week. Many parents tell me homework can be a flash point at home, please do come along and find out more about the homework we expect the children to do and share strategies with you about how you can best support them, destressing the homework situation!

We have had a build-up of lost property since the beginning of term, Mr Fitch will be putting out a lost property table on Friday afternoon and again on Monday morning - please come along and have a look whether anything belongs to your child!

It was lovely to see the snow on Wednesday - I still find it surprising after all these years that when I drive into Hawkinge (after seeing no snow on my journey to work) that there is a covering of snow up here! Thank you to everyone who sent their children in gloves and scarfs, wrapped up warm, meaning they could enjoy the snow at breaktime!

Have a good weekend,

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Diary Dates - January

31st – Pupil Voice Meeting

February

1st – Story Swap

4th – Y5/6 PE event at the Community Centre with The Churchill Sch

5th – Safer Internet Day

6th – Parents Evening

6th – Y3/4 PE event at the Community Centre with The Churchill Sch

7th – Parents Evening

8th - Y5/6 PE event at the Community Centre with The Churchill Sch

11th – Year 5/ 6 Landing Pad – 2:15pm

12th - Year 3/ 4 Landing Pad – 2:15pm

13th - Year 1/ 2 Landing Pad – 2:15pm

14th - Reception Landing Pad – 2:15pm

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 2 next week

The lunch menu is on the school website.

Hawkinge Primary School - Parent Workshops

Come along to one of our Parent Workshops for an opportunity to share your experiences with other parents, to access resources & advice to help your family towards improved wellbeing. Complete the reply slip below to book your place on either or both of the workshops we are running this term.

"Helping With Homework" Workshop

Friday 1st February 2019

9.00 – 10.30 am

- Has homework become a regular battle in your home?
- Does your child avoid bringing homework home or claim they didn't have any?
- Does your child struggle to make a start on their homework?
- Are you spending hours on homework tasks which should be taking 30 minutes?

In many households, homework becomes a source of stress for parents and children alike but there are lots of ways to prevent this happening or to re-launch homework in a more positive way if things are already difficult. This workshop will help you become more familiar with the types of homework your child will be given at different stages of their school life and provide resources to help you at home.

We will look at -

- How much homework children are expected to do in each year group
- Understanding the purpose of homework and your role in supporting it
- Establishing strong homework routines and building independence
- Adapting homework to suit your child's learning style
- Working to resolve common homework problems

I/we would like to attend the Helping With Homework workshop on Friday 1st February, 9.00-10.30am

Name/s:

Child/ren at Hawkinge Primary School: