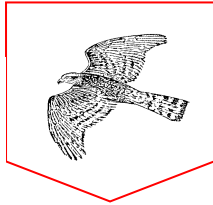


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Friday 7th February

Dear Parents,

The end of term is fast approaching – this term seems to have flown by. The children are already excited about their Landing Pad assemblies next week, looking forward to showing off all their new learning to you. Landing Pad assemblies are a great opportunity to celebrate a terms worth of hard work! On your way into school to visit the classrooms next week for assemblies I would invite you to drop an item into our food bank bin. Any non-perishable item (they are especially requesting Washing tablets currently) would be most welcome – The Rainbow Centre appreciate all the items we donate. Thank you for your support with this initiative. As usual the Landing Pad assemblies will start at 2:15pm (car park gates open at 2:10pm). This term these assemblies will be held in the classrooms.

On Tuesday 11th February it is Safer Internet Day. Every day at Hawkinge Primary School we promote the safe use of the internet. We do join in with this national initiative annually too – to ensure the profile of keeping children safe on line is always high. The children will be sharing some of the things they have learnt about this during the assemblies. Miss Tappenden is also running a parent workshop on Tuesday about the impact of screen time on young minds. The research is mind boggling, I would really recommend the course to you, if only for it to give you time to reflect on how our lives have all changed with instant access to the internet / social media and screen time. More information is on the reverse of this newsletter.

In November, year 5 and 6 children took the Primary Mathematics Challenge. The children did exceptionally well and three children, Oliver Barnes, Dylan Solomon and George Smith achieved a high enough score to qualify for the Bonus Round, which they took in school on Wednesday. It was a very challenging test!! All papers have now been returned to the Primary Maths Challenge Office for marking. Well done to all three children that took the test!

If you have a child in Years 5 or 6 please do keep an eye on their mobile telephone usage. I heard a horror story this week of one of our pupils waking up to 203 messages in the WhatsApp group she is in which I believe is made up from children at our school. I cannot begin to imagine the pressure this puts on our young people – please do monitor their usage and certainly ensure all telephones are kept out of bedrooms at night so everyone can get a good night's sleep!

Diary dates – term 3

February

- 10th – EYFS Landing Pad assembly – 2:15pm
- 11th – Year 1 & 2 Landing Pad assembly – 2:15pm
- 12th – Year 5 & 6 Landing Pad assembly – 2:15pm
- 13th – Year 3 & 4 Landing Pad assembly – 2:15pm
- 14th – last day of term 3

Staff Training Days reminder

Teacher Training Days for the remainder of this year will be as follows:

- Friday 22nd May
- Thursday 25th June
- Friday 26th June

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.

Football report

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Last Friday we played a friendly match against Churchill Primary School. Despite the heavy rain and muddy pitch, both teams played some good football. Hawkinge went into the half-time break 2-1 up with goals from Elijah and Louis. In the second half Hawkinge scored a further five goals without reply, through Elijah, Leo, Dylan, Ryan and RJ.

Team: Louis Jordan (capt) Elijah Murrock, Oliver Barnes, William Barnes, Thomas Reed-Cook, Jack Wilcox, Leo Williams, Dylan Solomon, RJ Macleod, Ryan Smith, Robi Aziz, Kira Necker, Oliver Iwasyszyn and Jimmy Grindley.

Parent Workshop - E-Safety & The Impact Of Screen Time on Young Minds

Tuesday 11th February 2020 9.00am – 11.00am

A workshop run by Aneeka Tappenden (Family Support Worker)

- Suitable for parents of all ages –

- Is your child spending longer than you would like playing computer games?
- Do you worry about keeping your child safe online?
- Does your child want their first mobile phone already?

Join us on Safer Internet Day when we will explore the emerging research around the impact of screen time for our young people as well as building confidence in parents to champion the positives of computing and ideas of how we can best support our children to navigate safely in the digital world. Share your experiences with other parents, find out about how you can support your child & access resources to help you at home.

- The risks and rewards of computing & screen time
- Strategies for monitoring and managing screen time
- Understanding age restrictions on gaming & social media
- Online safety

I /we would like to attend E-Safety & the Impact of Screen Time on Tuesday 11th February, 9.00-11.00am

Name/s:

Child/ren at Hawkinge Primary School:

Please return this to Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien /Miss Tappenden