

Hawkinge Primary School



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Friday 28th February

Dear Parents,

On the last Friday of term our football team played their last friendly match against Sandgate Primary School. Both teams played some good football in a very evenly matched contest. Hawkinge went into the half-time break 1-0 up with a goal from William. In the second-half Dylan scored a second goal from close range after Elijah's shot had come back off the post. The defence was well marshalled by Coby and Jack had a superb game in goal, helping the team keep a clean sheet. Team: Elijah Murrock (capt), William Barnes, Thomas Reed-Cook, Jack Wilcox, Dylan Solomon, RJ Macleod, Ryan Smith, Robi Aziz, Kira Necker, Oliver Iwasyszyn, Joe Scrivens, Harry Phillipott and Coby Slater. First Herald Cup game of the season should be today (28th February) against Hythe Bay, (weather permitting).

This week we have had many Launchpad events in school to start the new learning for this term. Pupils in the Reception classes joined with Reception children from The Churchill School to attend a dance workshop led by Mrs Rand. It was wonderful to see the children working together to create and perform a 'water inspired dance'. Year 3 and 4 pupils attended an art workshop learning more about Italian Renaissance artists and pupils in Years 5 and 6 went to the Battle of Britain Museum to launch their theme of 'Why do we remember World War 2?'. Next week Year 1 & 2 pupils will be visiting Dover Castle.

Reverend Grinsell came to visit on Monday and led an assembly about Shrove Tuesday and Lent. The children had a great understanding over this period of theme in the church calendar. It made me reflect on what I might give up / start to do over this period of time. On social media I came across a campaign called '40 days – 40 Items' which I thought was a great idea. The basic principle is to find an item at home every day between Shrove Tuesday and Easter to donate to someone who would appreciate it – from our School Food Bank to the local charity shops. This is an initiative I am certainly going to participate in. Let me know if you fancy doing it too!

Our year 6's did a great job at the Safety In Action event at Three Hills this week - they tried out various safety scenarios that they might encounter when they head off to secondary school, working in their teams to figure out the best ways to keep safe and look after each other when they are out with their friends. The scenarios were set up by agencies such as Kent Police, RNLI, British Transport Police and the drug and alcohol service, who were all impressed with how our pupils responded to the challenges. The children enjoyed the event and did us proud with their behaviour and enthusiasm.

Diary dates – term 4

28th Feb – Football match Hawkinge V Hythe Bay

March

4th - Treat Morning & Cross Country event

5th – World Book Day & Y1/ 2 trip to Dover Castle

6th – Parent Workshop – Helping With Homework

12th – Parent Workshop – Mindfulness

13th – Sports Relief Marathon Day!

13th – Hawkinge V Sandgate (Herald Cup Match)

17th – Parent Workshop – Resilience & Growth Mindset

19th – Hawkinge V St Augustine's (Herald Cup Match)

20th – Story Swap

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH – Spring Crafts morning

25th – Parent Workshop – Friendship First Aid

25th & 26th – Parents Evening

30th – Y5/ 6 landing pad & EYFS landing pad (2:15pm gates open)

- Hawkinge v Saltwood (Herald Cup Match)

31st – Y1 2 Landing Pad (2:15pm gates open)

April 1st – Y 3 4 Landing Pad (2:15pm gates open)

SPORTS RELIEF 2020

Sports Relief is back and this year on Friday 13th March, the children at Hawkinge primary school will be raising money by running a marathon - Now don't worry they won't each be running a marathon! Every child can run/walk/ jog/ hop/ skip/dance around the playground; covering roughly a mile in distance. This means with the combined distance of each child, every class will be completing its own marathon. Each child will also be allowed to come into school in a sporting outfit (a PE kit is fine) for the day. Please support your child and sports relief by sponsoring them £1 - it will be a great encouragement to them as they complete their challenge and will go towards a very good cause.

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.

"Helping With Homework" Workshop - Friday 6th March 2020

9.00 – 11.00 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. Name/s:

Child/ren at Hawkinge Primary School:

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