

# Hawkinge Primary School



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Dear Parents,

*This week we have been celebrating Internet Safety day. I am sure you either heard about it on the news on Tuesday, or your child came home with a sticker on their jumper! Teachers at school always remind children about internet safety. This week the content of the internet safety lessons was to remind children of the importance of keeping safe on the internet when communicating with other people and the children have also been learning about their rights and responsibilities on line. Please ask them for more information, it is crucial in this cyber age that children know who to keep themselves safe and behave appropriately on line !*

*This weekend people around the world will be celebrating Chinese New Year. The children in Donaldsons class and Inkpen class have had their own Chinese New Year celebrations this week. They have prepared and shared a Chinese New Year feast -all the children tried to eat the food with chopsticks, which was very exciting!!! After their feast Donaldson class performed a Chinese New Year shadow puppet show, and Inkpen class learnt some new Chinese songs!*

*At the end of school today all the children will have been given a Chinese Fortune Cookie to celebrate Chinese New Year. Inside the Fortune Cookie there is a 'fortune' predicted (mine was that I would be going on a cruise soon - I really hope that is true!!) - let me know if yours comes true!*

*As you know on the first day after the half term holidays (Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February) the school is closed for a Teacher Training day. During the day some of our Teaching Assistants have offered to come into school to 'sort out' our reading books which have got into quite a muddle! Therefore next week, teachers will not be giving out new guided reading books, and will be collecting old ones in so that we can have a good sort out of ALL the books. If you have any 'rogue' books at home (under the bed / on a book shelf in the bedroom etc) please could I ask you to return them by the end of the week too, so that they can be included in the 'sort out'?*

Have a good weekend



### Diary dates

9<sup>th</sup> - Table top sale - PTFA event  
12<sup>th</sup> Feb - Landing Pad - Kiplings, Dr Seuss, Eric Hill (2:15pm)  
13<sup>th</sup> Feb - Landing Pad - Malorie Blackman, Creswell's, Inkpens (2:15pm)  
14<sup>th</sup> Feb - Walliams, Anthony Brownes, Gravett (2:15pm)  
15<sup>th</sup> Feb - Waddells, Donaldson (2:15pm)  
15<sup>th</sup> Feb - last day of term  
25<sup>th</sup> February - Staff Development Day  
26<sup>th</sup> February - Children back to school  
28<sup>th</sup> February - individual photographs

### **Message from Table Tennis Club!**



Thank you to Steve Smith!  
Steve has managed to secure funding from Chaucer Insurance of £250 to update the school table tennis equipment. Our table tennis club is a thriving club, the children love the sessions on a Thursday evening. The updated bats will certainly help improve their playing! Thank you Steve!



### **This week's Science challenge.**

Have you seen your photo on display yet? Have a look outside Miss Sotiriou's classroom when you get a chance.

Here is this week's challenge:

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/experiments/orangefloatorsink.html>

Don't forget to bring in evidence of your experiment next week and give it to Miss Sotirou or Miss Dawe (this could be a photograph, your results or the experiment itself).  
Look out for next week's fun experiment!

### **Half term Activities at The Community Centre**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

Roller Disco

From 2:30 - 4pm, for children of all ages (£4)

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February - Inflatable fun!

From 10am- 12noon or 1pm-3pm. For children up to 11yrs old (£3)

### **Mrs Hughes Money Saving tip of the week**

Are you planning some activities for over half term?

Amazing Glaze in Hythe have given me over 200 vouchers offering £5 off their studio fee over the February half term. If you wanted to go and paint a Mothers Day gift or something for yourself, all you actually have to pay for is the item you paint, and no Studio Fee on top!

Please ask Miss Ward in the mornings if you would like a voucher.

### **School Lunches!**

Don't forget school meals cost £2:20 a day / £11 a week.

Next week the kitchen will be serving from week 1

### **PTFA news!**

#### **PTFA Kids Nearly New Sale 9th Feb 13 - 10am till 12pm**

If you have not booked your table yet Miss Ward will be at school until 6pm tonight - give her a call. Otherwise turn up on the morning.  
Please come along and grab a bargain.  
Refreshments available.

### **PTFA request**



The PTFA are planning ahead at the moment and preparing for the Easter Egg Hunt. If you are willing to donate some Easter Eggs please do so between now and the Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> March

### **Every week - take a peek!**

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

*Below is a picture of the actual size of head lice in different stages of growth!!!!!!*



### **Advance Warning February Development Day**

We have scheduled a Development Day for Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February. It is the first Monday after half term, so the school will be closed to pupils, but open to teachers!