

Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As you know the Year 6 children have had their SATs tests this week. There has been a lot of news about the tests on the media and on social media that I am sure you have seen. The reading test on Monday was very hard as was reported in the press, then on Tuesday we had the 'drama' of the Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation Test (SPAG) being leaked. Maths tests on Wednesday and Thursday went smoothly. The children worked very hard during the tests, but were pleased when they finished on Thursday morning!

It has been really nice to see so many parents of children from the two reception classes in school over the last few weeks finding more out about how the children learn in their first year at school. Many parents have reported back to me that it was an exceptionally useful and enjoyable visit. We still have a couple more afternoons coming up - so if you have not been in yet you are in for a treat!

Don't forget that on Thursday we are having an Italian themed free school lunch day. The kitchen staff all have Italian themed chefs hats and aprons to wear - so they will rally look the part. We will certainly be posting some photographs on the school website! We are assuming your child will want to participate in 'Free lunch Thursday' unless you return the form.

This week the school received the results from an annual bullying questionnaire that the children complete in November time. The headline results were very pleasing to read. Compared to results nationally children in Years 1-3 felt safer than children do nationally at school and are happier at school compared to children nationally. Children in Years 4-6 exceeded the national percentage for enjoying coming to school and enjoyed learning. Children in years 4-6 also feel like they are bullied less in or out of school than children nationally. A higher percentage of children at Hawkinge Primary School felt confident in reporting issues of bullying to staff than children did nationally and a greater percentage of children at school agreed there was not many issues of bullying than children did nationally.

A great start to the weekend!

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Diary Dates – Term 5

17th May – Reception children on a trip
17th May – Hawkinge U5s to visit
26th May – PTFA Pamper evening (details below)
27th May – Last day of term 5
6th June – 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 3 next week.
The new menu is available on the school website
Go to About Us – Documents

Attendance

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.

Attendance

Macaws and Flamingos had 100% attendance last week.

Round The Houses Run!

On Sunday 15th May, the annual Round The Houses Run will take place in Hythe. Children from across the school (and staff!) will be competing. If you are free on Sunday morning please do come along – it is a great event

Advance dates for your diary!

1st July – staff training
24th June – Sports Day
6th & 7th July – Parents evening

School uniform

As the weather continues to get better we find endless numbers of discarded jumpers / fleeces around the school. Can I ask you to check that your child has their name in their uniforms so that we can return them to you promptly?

Thank you

Don't forget that on Thursday 19th May we are treating all children to an Italian Themed Lunch! If you do not want your child to have a lunch that day please return the slip to Mrs Webb

Hawkinge Primary School PTFA Pamper Evening Thursday 26th May 2016 6:30pm – 9pm

Reflexology, Jewellery, Gel Nails, Jamberry Nails,
Spray Tan, Indian Head Massage, Deep Tissue Massage Reiki, Gifts, Threading, Waxing, Hair Braiding and the magical Serendipity Bears.

'Springers' unique sparkly t-shirts you can 'make yourself and take home on the night!!!

'The Flour Jar' will be here too
serving fresh homemade bread and cakes.
Homemade chilli and rice, veggie option available too!

Adult Ticket - £2.50 in advance, or £3 on the Night.
All Adult Tickets bought in advance will receive complimentary 'goody' bag on the night with free gifts.

Child Ticket - £2. Price includes exclusive entry to children's pamper room and the following activities.
Nail Painting, Face Painting, Craft Activities, Glittery Tattoos, Hair Chalks, Drinks & Snacks.

Children's tickets are limited in number.

Tickets will be on sale at the school gates - AM & PM from Monday 9th May 2016