

# Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Pupils in Year 1 have taken part in the DFE Phonic Screening Assessment this week. I am sure if you have a son / daughter in Y1 they will tell you that they have been doing phonics with Miss Walker / Mrs Rand in the cookery room and not even realise it was a test. Both teachers have reported back to me that the children have tried very hard throughout the assessments. Results will follow shortly after the school reports are distributed.

I am sure you will have received a letter from Mr O'Brien this week to remind you that it is Sports Day on Friday. If your child is in Year 1, 2 or Reception their sports day will begin at 10am. Please come to the car park gate to enter school. The gate will be open at 9:55am. If your child is in Years 3-6 their sports day will begin at 1:20pm. Please come to the car park gate to enter school. The gate will be open at 1:15pm. Please ensure children have their full PE kit at school. During Sports Day please do not give you child drinks / snacks as they go round.

On Friday we are also holding a non-uniform day for the PTFA. On Friday pupils are invited to come to school wearing 'non-uniform clothes' in return for an item for the tombola. The items that are always nice to win on the tombola range from bubble bath, a bottle of wine, tins of food etc. The tombola items will be collected in the Ocean Room next Friday morning. Which leads me to remind you, that it is the PTFA Summer Fair on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June - please keep the date in your diary free. The summer fair will open at 11am, prior to this the Hawkinge Dance Club (about 10:45am) will perform. The Summer Fair will have a visiting ambulance, BBQ & refreshment stalls, tombola, archery events and bouncy castles. Wristbands will be on sale every morning before and after school next week - £3 in advance and £4 on the day.

Pupils in Year 6 are preparing themselves for their move to their next schools. This week our 'Transition Programme' has started. On a Wednesday the Y6 pupils from Hawkinge Primary School, The Chuirchill School and Selsted School all meet together in the Community Centre in their new school groups. A member of staff from one of the three schools above then leads an hour long session preparing the children for their move to secondary school. It is a great opportunity for children to meet other pupils from different schools in advance of September - so when they start their new school there is not a sea of new faces! They attend 4 transition sessions this term.

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### Diary Dates – Term 5

24<sup>TH</sup> June – Sports Day  
24<sup>th</sup> June – Non- uniform day (tombola items for summer fair in return please)  
25<sup>th</sup> June – Summer fair  
6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> July – Parents evening  
1<sup>st</sup> July –staff training  
9<sup>th</sup> July – Charivari  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – last day  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – leavers assembly

### **Attendance**

The class with the best attendance last week was Flamingos - 99.55%

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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.

### 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*

### Queen's Birthday Cake Competition

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who entered the Queen's birthday cake completion. All the cakes were really fantastic and obviously a great deal of effort had been put in to making them.

It was very exciting when we heard that **Callum Watt** had been selected to attend the final, along with twelve other children from schools across Kent, at County Hall, in Maidstone. He had a fantastic day out where he met Rosemary Shrager and other local dignitaries.

Janet Featherstone

### Baby Maitland!

I am very pleased to announce the safe arrival of Mrs Maitland's baby daughter. She was born yesterday at 2:17pm (so no watching the Euros for Mr Maitland) weighing 8lb and 9oz . Baby Maitland is called Elsie Mary Katherine Maitland.

Congratulations to the family 😊

### **Hawkinge Coding Club**

*Are You interested in computer coding? Learning how to make computer programmes/games etc?  
Are you 7 years or older?  
Are you and your guardian free on Saturday mornings from 11.00 to 12.30?  
Then come along to Hawkinge Community Hall on Saturday at 11.00 with your parent or guardian.  
Limited spaces available*

We do ask for a donation of £5 per family per week to cover the cost of the hall and other resources for the club.  
*(Parents or guardians must also attend and be prepared to learn/help with the child/children).*  
If you want to talk to someone then ring PATRICK RYNNE on 07776 184745

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June Shepway Sports Trust came into our school to participate in 4 different sports; there were boxing, cricket, rugby and hockey. We were put into four different groups and rotated around each sport. Particularly enjoyable was the boxing, which was also a great work out! All children revelled in the opportunity to partake in something new and exciting. At the end of the 4 activities we got into our lies and the winning team (Jamaica) were awarded Shepway Sports Trust keyrings due to their 2 point win. Then a special medal for trying their best in every activity and having a positive attitude towards it was awarded to Lenny Atherton. A fun day was had by all.

Written by Lenny Atherton Y6