



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2013

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Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment



Mr McLeod & Governors Tea & Chat

All parents are welcome to join Mr McLeod and the Governors for Tea and Chat on the theme of School Attainment on Friday 8th November, 9.15am.



Halloween Disco

There is a Family Halloween Disco on 31st October at Barrington Village Hall, 6pm to 9pm. Fancy dress welcome. Hotdogs, drinks and glow sticks for sale.



Diary Dates:

Mon 28 – Fri 1 Nov – Half Term

Mon 4 Nov – Training Day, No children in School

Tue 5 Nov – Children Back in School

Tue 5 Nov – Bonfire Lunch

Fri 8 Nov - Mr McLeod & Governors Tea & Chat, 9.15am,
Theme: School Attainment

Tue 12 Nov – School Work 'Show and Tell'



Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Yr 5 & 6 Kingswood Letter
- Yr 6 Maths Club
- CUYCT Archery club Flier
- Karate for Kids Flier



Half Term and Training Day

Next week is half term, which will be followed by a Staff Training Day on Monday 4th November. All children should return to school on Tuesday 5th November.



Online Payments

If you haven't already signed up for online payments, please sign up over half term. Dinner money can be paid on Agora, the online payment system, and will cost £71.40 for the next half term.



Bonfire Day Lunch

The menu on 5th November will be the Bonfire Day lunch, instead of the normal Tuesday menu.



Korfball Training for Juniors

Korfball is a fast paced exciting game played, and I am looking for new recruits age range of 3 - 11, we train on Sundays in Cambridge. Korfball is similar to Basketball and Netball but with different skills and tactics, and is a truly mixed sport, so families can play together. Juniors from our club have gone on to train for the England junior squad. Contact me on (suecarr223@googlemail.com), or chat to me in the playground after school.
Sue Jackson



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

We will be supporting the Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child, shoebox collection again this year. Leaflets with details and suggested contents will be sent out after half term. For further information see www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk.



Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:

We have continued our autumn theme this week and used the computer to draw an autumn picture. We talked about spiders and went on a spider hunt! We then made spider webs with wool and practised our threading and weaving skills. We carefully counted out the right number of legs for our spiders and glued them on to their pompom bodies! We have also tried to improve our cutting and letter formation.

- Literacy – Phonics – revision of sounds learned so far.
- Numeracy – One more.

Show and Tell: Joel and Poppy.



Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:

We have been looking at 'Materials' this week. We had a materials 'I Spy' search around our school and made a collection of the different materials we found. We looked at the properties of materials when we designed, made and tested our umbrellas for Zog! We discovered the many uses of fabrics around the home. We are also thinking about the use of materials as we plan and make our alien homes.

- Literacy – Information writing about houses.
- Numeracy – take-away, subtraction.



Hazel – Mrs Stepney:

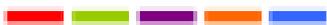
This week we have been preparing for our assembly, which we hope you enjoyed.

Having found out about the importance of Samuel Pepys diary we have been keeping our own time travelling diaries up to date, writing about our own experiences of the Great fire of London.

In PSHE we have been considering what we and our friends are good at. We have also been thinking about the things we would like to get better at and discussing how we could achieve our goals.

- Literacy – To work collaboratively to produce our assembly.
- Numeracy – To add numbers on a number line, bridging multiples of 10.

Show and Tell: Emily, Isabel, Jake, Ryan



Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:

We have had a fantastic week, in role play, as explorers discovering new worlds! We have written diary pages from our voyages, described the kit we would need and sketched some of our discoveries – it's been great fun! In Science we explored the properties of different materials using key scientific vocabulary.

- Literacy – To complete an 'explorer's journal', to include diary pages.
- Numeracy – To measure length in cm and m. To investigate length and work out averages.



Oak – Mrs Nussey and Mrs Wells:

This week we immersed ourselves in our 'Storming Normans' topic by visiting Mountfitchet Castle. With stocks, gallows, Alchemy and falconry, we discovered many new historical facts and examined the geography of the Motte and Bailey area. We have presented our homework to the class and many double merits were handed out. On Thursday we managed to build 3D water cycles from recyclable material in less than two hours and our understanding of what the Normans knew about flight and air resistance was tested using paper planes and arrows.

- Literacy – Hot words and dependent clauses.
- Numeracy – Column method for addition.



Beech – Mrs Creamer:

This week we have been learning about signs and symbols in Judaism. We can now tell you why the main signs and symbols, such as the Star of David, are important to Jews. We have also been researching the significance of the poppy for Remembrance.

In Maths we have focused on mastering our square numbers and square roots to 10x10 and using these to help us recognise number patterns.

Continuing our work on WWII we have learned about the impact of rationing on children, comparing their WWII diet to our present-day diet.

- Literacy – To use skills of inference and deduction.
- Numeracy – To know square numbers and square roots to 10x10.

