



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

# Newsletter

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*Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment*

### PTFA Smartie Tubes

Please could we remind you all to return filled Smarties tubes to the office. Many thank to those we have already had in.

Thanks, PTFA



### Stranger Danger

Please remind your children to be wary of talking to strangers, including within the village.



### Children's Art Competition

Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire are running a Children's Art Competition, It will be judged in the following age categories – under 3, 3–5 year olds, 6–8 year olds and 9-11 year olds. The Theme of the competition is to design a spring picture. The picture should be on a piece of white A4 paper with your name, age and telephone number on the back. Pictures should be posted to Home Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire, Unit 6, Valley Farm, Station Road, Meldreth, Royston, Herts. SG8 6JP by Friday 4th April or go to the Home-Start stall at Thriplow Daffodil Festival on 5th & 6th April. Entries will be judged week beginning 7th April, 2014. Prizes will be awarded for each age category. If you have any queries or require further information, please call the Home-Start office on 01763 262262.



### Cambridge University Botanic Gardens

Cambridge University Botanic Gardens have a new children's trail running from 10<sup>th</sup> March to 23<sup>rd</sup> July. The theme is The Great Plant Pattern Hunt.



### Mad Science Easter Holiday Clubs

Mad Science Easter Holiday Clubs will be taking place at various venues including Cambourne, Newnham and Cambridge City. Early Bird Discount costs (book by Fri 14th March): £30 per child per day. Normal costs (after Fri 14th March): £35 per child/day  
Book at [www.madscience.org/east](http://www.madscience.org/east) or on 01223 880997 or [supersonicsam@madscienceeast.co.uk](mailto:supersonicsam@madscienceeast.co.uk).



### Diary Dates:

**Mon 3 March** – Staff Training Day. No Children in School

**Tue 4 March** – Pancake Day Lunch

**Tue 4 March** – Oak Class Dolls Festival

**Fri 7 March** – Birch Class Trip to Polar Museum

**Mon 10 March** – Parent Consultations 5-8pm

**Tue 11 March** – Parent Consultations 3.30-6pm



### Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Birch Class trip to Polar Museum
- Boys football match
- 1<sup>st</sup> Step Sports after school football flier
- Parents Consultation Evenings
- Ofsted
- Governors Tea and Chat



### Ofsted Inspection

Following our Ofsted inspection this week, we would like to advise that we will be able to convey the outcome in two weeks. We would like to thank everyone for their continued support.



### Girls Football Club

There will be an extra Girls Football session on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March to cover the session which was missed on 11/2/14 due to bad weather.



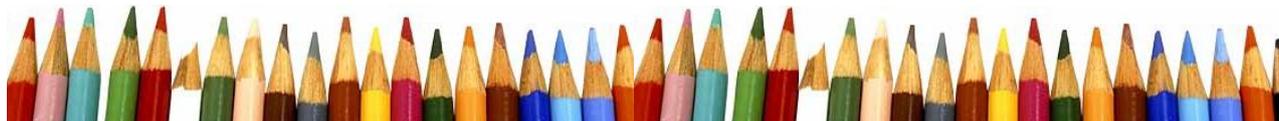
### Wanted: Small Tank

Would any parent be able to donate a small tank to Hawthorn Class so that they can fill it with frog spawn to help with their Science Topic. Thank you.



### Parents Evenings:

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 5pm to 8pm and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm to 6pm. Please sign up for an appointment on the booking sheets displayed on the class room doors, thank you.



### **Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:**

This half term we are reading and learning about traditional tales and we started with the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We wrote sorry letters to the three bears on Goldilocks' behalf and helped her make some more porridge. We used clay to make another bowl for baby bear and drew maps to help Goldilocks find her way out of the woods.

- Literacy – Writing a letter
- Numeracy – Size and Measuring

Show and tell – Alice and Clara



### **Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:**

We have had such a busy week! We had great fun in Literacy using interesting words to describe bath products and then a list of instructions on how to wash our woolly mammoth. He got very wet!

In Numeracy we drew clocks and mimed actions for time in the playground.

We looked at the work of artist Phillip Hughes and coloured mixed blues to create beautiful landscapes in art. We are also preparing for our trip to the Scott Polar Museum on Friday March 7<sup>th</sup>. We are very excited.

- Literacy – Using capital letters and full stops. Writing lists and instructions.
- Numeracy – Time – O'clock and half past.



### **Hazel – Mrs Stepney:**

This week we have been learning about the life cycle of butterflies. We acted out the life cycles and filmed them and then made information posters. We have also made beautiful butterfly wings from wire and tissue paper which we will be using next week to make butterflies.

Today we had a rehearsal for our dance that we will be performing at the CVC Dance Share next Friday.

- Literacy – To write an information text.
- Numeracy – To identify nets of 3d shapes. To carry out an investigation.

Show and tell: Stanley, Joseph, Ollie and Sam.



### **Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:**

In Science this week, we have explored the life processes that all living things have in common. Ask us what 'Mrs Nerg' means!

In Art we have enjoyed making Roman pots out of clay and some of us have even managed to make a 'head pot'! Everyone has worked really hard this week and we are especially pleased to have our Roman News reports up on display in the Library.

- Literacy – To use drama to explore Greek and Roman Myths. To re-write the ending of a Greek myth.
- Numeracy – To solve 2D shape puzzles. To work systematically.



### **Oak – Mrs Nussey:**

This week we began learning about Jujutsu, the ancient Japanese martial art of balance, good conduct and self-defence. We opened our new literacy topic with a classroom debate followed by a democratic vote, making our own Agora and Pnyx from which the speakers could give their point of view. We finished painting our tea bowls, ready for firing and glazing this weekend, to use during next week's Dolls Festival. We also finished making our 3D modrock maps of Japan on which we are attaching 3D labels about the diverse environments, wildlife, geography and geology of this extraordinary archipelago. Remember to wear your kimonos next Tuesday and be ready to welcome our Japanese guest, Minato.

- Literacy – To understand the purpose of a discussion text
- Numeracy – To calculate the area and perimeter of shapes



### **Beech – Mrs Creamer:**

This week in numeracy we have been revising division using methods such as the chunking method and bus stop method. In literacy we have begun planning to write our own fantasy stories. We created a mythical creature to include in our stories. We gained a lot of inspiration from the film 'Bridge to Terebithia'. In Art we have been drawing 3D shapes using isometric paper. We started drawing cubes and cuboids and moved on to drawing letters such as the letter E.

- Literacy – To create a character (mood) by showing not telling.
- Numeracy – To divide using the chunking method, to rehearse division and to learn a divisibility rule. Develop techniques to draw 3D shapes.

