



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

Mon 15 Sep – Meet the Teacher Evening

Letters sent out to parents this week:

- 1st Step Sports Multi Sports club flier
- Young filmmakers club flier
- Helen O'Grady Drama Flier
- Young Voices 2015
- Meet the Teacher evening
- Going up to Secondary Events
- Autumn Term Diary Dates
- Beech Class Head Lice

KS1 Free School Meals

Reminder that all KS1 children are now entitled to a free school meal. Please talk to the school office for more details.

New Reception Children

Please complete and return your child's admission form to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you

Scarecrow Festival

Come and enjoy the Scarecrow Festival this weekend around Haslingfield. More details on www.haslingfieldscarecrowfestival.org

Harvest Festival

This year's Harvest Festival will take place on Thursday 9th October, 9.30am at All Saints Church, Haslingfield. All are welcome to attend. We will also be collecting donations of non perishable food items on the Thursday morning in the class rooms.

Nearly New Uniform Sale

There will be a nearly new uniform sale on Tuesday 23rd September, at the beginning and end of the school day. Please come and browse - there are lots of good quality items for very reasonable prices! All proceeds go to the PTFA. And don't forget to donate any clothes your children have outgrown - just hand them in to the school office.

Newsletter

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Learning and achieving excellence in a safe, happy environment

Louise sends a very big 'Thank You'

I felt so humbled when I received a lovely signed card and beautiful gifts from parents. I have thoroughly enjoyed my 8½ years establishing and co-ordinating the Nearly New Uniform Scheme. Your appreciation was so unexpected, but so appreciated! 'Thanks a million!' from Louise Norman

Ballet Lessons

Ballet lessons will re-start on the week beginning 15th September.

Royston Arts Festival

Royston Arts Festival will take place on 19th -28th September and has a theme of Heroes and Villains. The festival will include trumpeter Alison Balsom, Stand Up comedy, Family activities, exhibitions and workshops. For more information see RoystonArtsFestival.org

Stepping Stones Parenting Course for children with additional needs.

The "Stepping Stones" programme is aimed at offering parents/carers of children aged 4-12 years with additional needs/disabilities a supportive, informal environment, in which to gain information, knowledge and skills around parenting issues. Starts on Thursday 25th September 12.15-14.45 at Cambourne Children's Centre for 9 weeks. Booking essential. Please call Rebecca Brown or Helen Ashcroft on 01954 286012.

Saturday Football Coaching

Cambridge City FC Development Centre will be running football coaching sessions for boys and girls aged 5, 6 or 7 years old from Saturday 20th September 2014. Sessions will take place at Netherhall Sports Centre, Queen Edith Road, Cambridge, CB1 8NN, 9:00 am - 10:00 am. Cost £3.50 per player per week. Monthly or weekly payments are accepted. Contact 01638 666879 or ccfcdevelopmentmanager@1ststepsports.co.uk

St Bede's Open Day

St Bede's Inter-Church School, Cambridge is having an Open Evening on Wednesday, 15th October 2014 from 6pm. Website: www.st-bedes.org.uk

Raising Children and Sibling Rivalry Course

Cambourne Village College. Starts on Wednesday 8th October for 10 weeks 10:00am – 12:00pm. Booking essential. Please call 01954 284604.



Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

Wow, what a fantastic start to the year Ash class has made. Everyone has settled in really well and are quickly picking up the classroom rules and routines. We have had a fun and busy week exploring our indoor and outdoor classroom and making lots of new friends. We worked together to make our Gingerbread man scarecrow for the scarecrow festival and we are very proud of how he has turned out. We are looking forward to staying for lunch next week.

- Literacy – sharing stories and name writing.
- Numeracy – number recognition and counting.



Birch – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

We all settled in well and are quickly picking up new routines and expectations. This week we have enjoyed learning about and labelling parts of our body using straws to make skeletons! We have also used lots of straw to make our class scarecrow – we hope you are all going to come and admire it this weekend. In Literacy we have been talking about what makes each of us special and writing sentences about it! In Numeracy we have been getting to grips with numicon.

- Literacy - Writing sentences using capital letters and full stops.
- Numeracy – Counting objects and recording counts.

Show and tell (Weds) – Lucas, Stanley and Gwen.



Hazel – Miss Hall:

This week, Hazel class have been creating fantastic performances of well-known traditional tales. The pupils have been using puppets and toys to act out the stories: deciding the props that they need as they went. We have also started to learn about Hindu beliefs and have created colourful posters to show the things that we have learnt. We are also creating a Rumpelstiltskin scarecrow for Haslingfield's Scarecrow Festival.

- Literacy – Exploring and performing traditional tales.
- Numeracy – To find one/ten more or less. To practise writing numbers.

Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

This week we have started to look at our theme of Beowulf. We have created a timeline and identified when the Anglo-Saxons arrived. We have also been busy making a scarecrow Sleeping Beauty. Please make sure you come and have a look. In Maths we have been learning about place value and have been placing 3 and 4 digit numbers on number lines. We have also been feeding crocodiles the largest numbers to help us learn about the more than and less than signs. In Literacy we have been reading newspaper articles and identifying their features.

- Literacy – Recounts and newspaper articles
- Numeracy – Place Value



Oak – Miss Wernham:

What a busy start to the term! Oak class have been immersed in all things medieval as part of their introduction to their new topic! We have examined paintings of medieval scenes and made conclusions about what life was like during that time.

In PE we have already enjoyed our first invasion games session, focusing on netball, but the highlight of the week has to be our scarecrow! Can you guess which 'folk tale' character he is?

- Literacy – To describe a medieval setting using powerful adjectives and adverbs.
- Numeracy – To secure knowledge of place value of 4, 5 and 6 digit numbers.



Beech – Mrs Stepney:

We have had a very productive start to the term. On Monday the children worked together to create three little pig scarecrows, creating papier-mache heads, trotters and snouts from junk and all sorts of inventive clothing from pieces of fabric.

We have started our topic 'Awesome Oz' by locating and mapping it in relation to other continents and oceans of the world. We have begun to research information about Australia using the iPads and have identified questions that we would like answered about Australia past and present.

- Literacy – To identify the features of biographies and autobiographies. To know the grammatical features of dialogue.
- Numeracy - To understand place value, to multiply and divide by 10,100 and 1000. To partition and round whole numbers and decimal numbers.

Headteacher's Bulletin

Welcome back, I hope you have all had an enjoyable time this summer, spending time with your children. Mrs Stepney has been busy over the summer putting the finishing touches to this term's new school curriculum – it's great to be ahead of Government expectation with our Curriculum planning. The children travelling from Harlton have had a change of Bus Company over the summer. During the break the IT Company I contracted to look after the school computers were busy upgrading all the children's computer hardware and installing some new software. I received a 'Certificate of Appreciation' on my return to school, from the 'Employability Partnership' for our support and commitment to local students following successful work in school from work experience students and potential teachers! I'm pleased that our school role is now '158' following a 10% increase in numbers over the previous year. Lastly, congratulations to Miss Owen who enjoyed a wonderful wedding during the holiday and is now Mrs Green!

Mr McLeod