



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

Thu 18 – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 19 – Carol Concert in church, 9.30am
Fri 19 – Last Day of Autumn Term

Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Beech Class Staff
- Coach Travel for Parents to O2
- 'Make the World Better with a Sweater'

Christmas Lunch Thursday 18th December

Please let the School office know if your child would like a Christmas Lunch by Monday 15th December, so the kitchen have accurate numbers.

Christmas Gift Stall

There are some gifts left over from the KS1 Charity Shopping morning held this week, therefore we will be holding a Christmas Gift stall on Wednesday after school from 3.30pm - 4pm for any **KS2** children that would like to purchase gifts for family and friends. There is a limited number of items available which are all very good value ranging from 10p to £1. Proceeds of the stall will go to East Anglia Children's Hospice.

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fayre, either by volunteering, attending the event and/or supporting the raffle. We had a lot of fun and raised a fantastic £2,313.58!
PTFA.

Christmas Dinner

It is a school tradition that parents serve the children and staff at the school Christmas dinner on Thursday 18th December from 12pm - 1pm. If you are willing to don an apron and Santa hat (latter not compulsory) for this fun event we would greatly appreciate your help. Please email ptfahaslingfield@gmail.com or let the office know.

Headteacher's Bulletin

During the week many parents attended Christmas productions, performed magnificently by our children - bringing Christmas cheer to all! More good news was received from the Haslingfield Luncheon Club following some of our older children singing carols while accompanied by others playing instruments to many of our older citizens at the end of their Christmas meal; it was great to hear that the children were polite and friendly, wishing people a 'Happy Christmas'. Mrs Jukes was marvellous, preparing the children in record time! The Haslingfield PTFA Christmas Fayre was a great success and I would like to specially thank those parents who provide drive, enthusiasm and support to the school; recognising the significant direct and indirect impact of money raised upon the education of each child. I have been pleased to announce this week that final arrangements have been agreed for our new deputy, Mrs Petty to start, following the Easter break. It is by chance that she will be leaving the same school that Mrs Stepney will be teaching in shortly. I received a thank you letter from Cambridge University this week in recognition of the support and quality of training given to their students attending here this term.

Mr McLeod

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Valuables in Cars

Parents are advised to take care with valuables left in vehicles, as a car parked outside the school was broken into on the evening of the Christmas Play.

Coming up soon at All Saints Church, Haslingfield:

Nativity on Sunday 14th December at 4pm. Just turn up and join in, nativity outfits will be available or feel free to bring your own nativity costume if you have one or any soft toy sheep etc. Carol Service on Sunday 21st December at 6pm. Christingle service on Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24th December at 4pm.

Children's Sunday Club

Sunday Club, run by a group of mums and dads will now be every week on Sunday mornings at 9.30am in All Saints Church, Haslingfield, with the exception of the 1st Sunday of the month when there is an all-age Family Service, which aims to encourage children to take part in the service.

Haslingfield Young Little Theatre

Haslingfield Young Little Theatre will be starting their Workshops for Beginners (for children aged between 8 and 11) on Sunday 4 January 2015. Participants will have a taste of everything that can go into a play or a pantomime. They will learn how to use the stage, create characters and scripts, as well as having practical sessions in the other aspects of a production. The Workshops will run on 4, 11 and 25 January, and on 1, 8 15 and 22 February at Haslingfield Village Hall between 10 am and 11.30 am. For more information, please contact Cheryl Lowery on: 01223 841077 or at: cheryllowery@btinternet.com.

1st Step Sports Christmas Activity Camps

1st Step Sports are running Activity camps at various locations over the Christmas holidays including Haslingfield Pavilion on Wednesday 24th December 9am-2pm (free extended hours 8.15am-4pm), costing £12 per child per day. Bookings can be made online at www.1ststepsports.co.uk or by calling the 1st Step Sports office on 01638 666879.

Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

We are so proud of Ash class this week, they were amazing in our Christmas production and have worked so hard. We hoped you enjoyed it. The children produced some fantastic writing about their performance and wrote this all by themselves, we were very impressed. Our classroom is now looking very sparkly as we have been busy making Christmas crafts. The children had lots of fun at our Infant shopping morning, choosing lots of lovely gifts for family and friends. We are looking forward to our Christmas craft day on Monday.

- Literacy – Writing about Christmas production Phonics- igh and revisiting sounds and tricky words.
- Numeracy – Pattern.



Birch – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

Its been a really busy week with our Christmas performances and shopping morning and general Christmas excitement. We hope you enjoyed the shows. In between all the Christmas things we have been revising our maths and phonics and doing lots of reading. We have finished off our Christmas story books and have made beautiful covers for them. We've also been sewing and making Christmas decorations.

- Literacy – Christmas story writing
- Numeracy – Revision

Show and tell (Weds) – Joel, Poppy, Bryony



Hazel – Miss Hall:

Well done to all the children in Hazel Class for their hard work for the Christmas play! We hope that you enjoyed the performances. This week we have started writing our own information texts about the Great Fire of London. The children are working from plans that they have written. They are using sub-headings and ensuring that they use capital letters and full stops accurately. Some pupils will also aim to include exclamation marks as well as questions marks in their work. In Maths, we have been exploring symmetry in 2D shapes. The children have found lines of symmetry in 2D shapes and created their own symmetrical patterns. They have also recapped the names of common 3D shapes. Pupils then made their own 3D shapes and found out which 2D shapes formed the faces of these shapes. Pupils have also been practising the two times table and beginning festive craft activities.

The next set of homework and spellings will be sent out in the New Year.

- Literacy – To write an information text. To use sub-headings and question marks accurately. To use full stops and capital letters correctly. To use exclamation marks accurately.
- Numeracy – To identify lines of symmetry in 2D shapes. To identify 3D shapes. To identify 2D shapes that are the faces of 3D shapes. To practise the two times table.

Show and tell (Weds) – Max.

Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

This week we have of course completed two amazing performances of the Christmas play. The children should all be very proud of their performances. In Numeracy we have continued our work on multiplication and division. We have revised division as the inverse of multiplication and have started to learn to use the grid method to multiply 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. In Literacy we have planned and written our own stories in a familiar setting, remembering to include adjectives and adverbs. We have also planned and carried out an investigation into the best materials to use as a filter.

- Literacy – To plan and write a story in a familiar setting including adjectives and adverbs.
- Numeracy – To revise division as the inverse operation of multiplication. To use the grid method to multiply a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number.



Oak – Miss Wernham:

This week in Literacy, we have written about our earliest memories – lots of very funny stories have been shared! In Science we have written about the difference between conductors and insulators and have planned an investigation to demonstrate this.

For next term, can Oak class please collect a shoe box each for our Egyptian topic. Thank you.

- Literacy – To write mini-autobiographies.
- Numeracy – To convert improper fractions to mixed numbers.



Beech – Mrs Stepney:

We have had a very busy week! The play was a great success; the children should all feel extremely proud of their contributions. The infant shopping morning was once again a great success and the year five and six children were excellent hosts, helping the younger children to select their gifts and then wrap them up. In literacy we have been editing and improving our journalistic writing, ensuring that all the appropriate features have been included.

In Numeracy we have been problem solving. The children have been challenged to apply their learning over the course of this term to thought provoking problems.

- Literacy - To edit and improve a piece of writing.
- Numeracy – To use all four operations to solve single and multi-step word problems. To solve logic problems.

