



Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Diary Dates:

Fr 5 Feb – Birch Class Sharing Assembly, 2.40pm
Fri 5 Feb – Birch Class Bun Day



Children's Sports Events

Wed 28 - Boys Football home v Barrington

Letters sent out to parents this week:

- Beech Class Termly Newsletter
- Spring Term Diary Dates



School Office Procedures

We would like to thank all parents for their support following the recent changes to the procedures for handing in forms and money to class teachers.



PTFA News

Movie Matinee and Movie Night - Friday 12th February

The movie matinee will be held straight after school (with popcorn and juice provided) and movie night at 6pm (with a tuckshop including refreshments for adults). We will let you know more details, including the movie choices, asap.

Easter Treasure Hunt - Sunday 20th March, 11am

Take part in a fun treasure hunt or geocache search around the village! Easter eggs, refreshments and activities including bouncy castle back at school afterwards. More details to follow.



Tuesday Morning Year 5 & 6 Football

Please note that there will be no Year 5 & 6 Football Training on the morning of Tuesday 26th January.

If you have any questions regarding Tuesday morning Year 5 & 6 Football please contact Mr Queen on 07771 560109 or mattqueen@btinternet.com



Football Boot Recycling

Please see the poster on the outside School notice board for details of the boots currently available.

Newsletter

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Pinpoint Families First Conference

If your child has an additional need or a disability, don't miss Pinpoint's free Families First Conference on 29th Jan, 9:30 – 2pm at Burgess Hall in St Ives. 40 information stalls, workshops, therapies, lunch and more. See <http://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/pinpoint-conference-2016> for more information and how to book.



Network cb23 Orchestra

The next workshop will take place on Saturday 19th March 2016 10am – 12pm at Comberton Village College. To get the most out of the workshop it is advisable that pupils are able to read music confidently at speed, and are preferably having lessons or had previous experience of playing in a group. Grades are not essential and there will be parts for those not having reached Grade 1 standard, although if applying for keyboard, a minimum of Grade 3 is advisable. Pre-booking is essential and places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis within each instrumental group. Contact knorris@bourn.cambs.sch.uk for more information or ask in the school office.



Haslingfield Methodist Church

This weekend there is a combined service at the Methodist Church in Haslingfield at 10am on Sunday 24th January. Sunday Club will be on as usual with groups for the Little Saints 3-7 yrs and Super Saints 7+ years. Meet in the Methodist Church at 10am. All welcome, and there will be coffee/tea and biscuits after the service.



Cambridge Kids Club February Half Term Play Scheme

The theme this Half Term is The Circus including different Circus related activities each day, with a varied activity programme to suit children of different ages, abilities and interests. The BIG highlights of the week include a performance from a Magician and a visit from a Sports Coach.

Contact them on info@cambridgekidsclub.com or 07960 412 716 for more information or to book your place.



Fab Science February Half Term Holiday Course

Fab Science are investigating Sparks and Circuits with lots of experimenting, learning and fun with the Van der Graaff generator. Children aged 5-12 can enjoy hands on experimenting and science fun at Queen Edith School, Cambridge (and RA Butler School in Saffron Walden). See www.fabscience.co.uk for more information.

Headteacher's Bulletin

Miss Turner has set up a new working group of children, elected to represent their classes on ecological issues; the group is a mixture of adults and children who will meet regularly to achieve shared goals – I understand the children are full of ideas! Miss Peck returned from a PE coordinators meeting this week, informing me that our outstanding 'gold award' achievements for sports were acknowledged; thank you to all the parents that volunteer to help organise, train or transport children. The school has had its fire system tested this week, while children have taken part in a fire drill - all went well.

Mr McLeod

Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Hollins:

This week in Ash class we have continued with our theme of 'Things that go' and have been learning about aeroplanes. At the beginning of the week we made our very own passports; we wrote our names, a description of ourselves and the country that we live in. These passports were very useful towards the end of the week when we made a large class aeroplane and flew to sunny Spain where it was much warmer! Whilst we were on the aeroplane we talked about all of the things we could see out of the window and had some yummy plane snacks too. The children wrote a list of all of the things that needed to take with them and had a really good go at writing and sounding words out by themselves using word mats to help them. In maths we have been thinking about ways of making 10 and used the Numicon to help us to think of lots of different ways in our groups. Some of the children wrote the number sentences too! We made our own paper aeroplanes and talked about the shapes that we could see when we were folding our paper. When we had completed our aeroplanes we flew them in our groups to see which one would fly the furthest!

- Literacy- lists, phonics-phase 3
- Numeracy- number bonds to 10, shape

Message from Mrs Chapman

I would like to say a big 'thank you' to you all for the card and beautiful orchid. It was very kind of you and brightened my day. Thank you once again, Mrs Chapman



Birch – Miss Hall:

This week in Birch class we have been learning to identify nouns. We came up with a great variety of naming words. We then learned about plurals and how to change nouns to plurals by adding '-s'. We have been enjoying listening to and discussing a variety of fairytales so that we can write our own fairytale. In our Maths lessons we have learning to measure capacity and volume. We listened to the story of the Little Porridge Pot and we measured out water and oats to make our own porridge! In our topic sessions we have been learning to identify animals from around the world.

- Literacy: To add the '-s' suffix to make nouns plural.
- Maths: To measure volume and capacity using non-standard units of measurement.



Hazel – Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lione:

This week we have been washing woolly mammoths and very tricky it is too! We needed ladders, brooms and a very big bath! We wrote some brilliant instructions to follow. We are really getting into our new topic and are finding out lots of new facts about polar lands and exploring maps in general. We were learning about food chains in science and enjoyed discussing who eats who.

- Literacy: writing instructions, considering tense and tone.
- Numeracy: data handling - pictograms and block diagrams

Show and Tell: Seb, Clara, Forster, Miriam.



Hawthorn – Miss Turner:

The children have had another busy this week. In Literacy the children have continued to write their mystery stories, using adverbs and connectives as sentence openers. In numeracy the children have been ordering and comparing three digit numbers or decimals. They have also been rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. The children carried out an investigation in Science, exploring what happens to a solid when it is heated. They enjoyed using chocolate and different temperatures of water to find out which would be best to use to melt the chocolate. The children were encouraged to explain their results using scientific language. In PE the children have practiced a range of rolls, the children were asked to evaluate their learning and practice further the one they felt they needed to practice more.

- Literacy – To write a mystery story using connectives and adverbs as sentence openers.
- Numeracy- To order and compare 3 digit numbers. To order and compare 1-place decimals.



Oak – Ms Wernham:

During our topic afternoons, we have examined the Presidential speeches from America and Russia about the 'Race for Space'. We have decided which one is most powerful and used them to write our own ideas about why space travel is so important. We have also thought about the job that astronauts do and what qualities we have that would make us perfect for the job!

- Literacy – to find out about and use different techniques when starting new paragraphs.
- Numeracy – to measure angles in polygons and plot co-ordinates on a grid of their vertices.



Beech – Mrs Petty:

This week, we have been learning about the challenges poor Victorian children had to endure. Whilst learning that children as young as aged five were sent to work, we also found out that poor children were sometimes sold to chimney sweeps who often put the children in incredibly dangerous situations. Researching about life as a Victorian factory worker was also astounding - especially when we found out the statistics about the number of children injured or worse still. Through playing lots of fun games, we have been revisiting familiar grammar vocabulary and using our understanding to create List poems based on the characters from Street Child. In Maths, we have used our algebraic understanding to help us find missing angles in triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons as well as found areas and perimeters of simple and compound shapes. In Science the children have been finding out about Charles Darwin and developing their understanding about his life's work.

- Literacy: recalling the definition of grammar terms and applying our understanding to create powerful list poems
- Maths: using a formula to calculate the area of a triangle and parallelogram

