

In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2024 Week 11

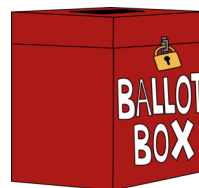
DISTRICT SPORTS 2024 ...2ND PLACE



Dear All

Somehow Sports Week has over spilled into two! I have been ever so proud of the children who have taken time to represent our school this week. They have shown determination, pride, collaboration and team spirit to great success. On Monday we hosted nine other schools in the Field Events; high jump, long jump, triple jump, spring jump and ball throwing. On Thursday, it was the runners— 600m, 300m, sprints and relays. You can see not only how they dug deep into their reserves but the fun they had! I have written many times about the positives that sports can bring, not only in body but in mind. A huge congratulations to all our competitors for coming 2nd overall! On Friday, we entered the local schools swimming gala— for the first time held at Whitgift School. The children again brought their competitive spirit, coming XX!! Again so proud of them all.

On Wednesday, we also hosted 2 other local schools who attended the Physifun Year 3 event. This session was led by 12 of our Year 6 Leaders who had been trained by the Surrey South East PE Leader. Again, not only were our Year 6s praised for delivering the session faultlessly, but the other schools commented on how polite and kind they were. A big thank you to them!



On Thursday, the school transformed into our polling station. Having heard the candidate manifestos, it was time to put their X where it counted. The votes have been counted and verified over night and I can reveal the school class party of 2024 is SAID class! Cas presented a very clear manifesto which will come in to action starting next Monday. Said Class will be planning and delivering year group 'hide and seek' games with prizes. (Don't worry— they have a very detailed set of rules for them all to follow!), will plan a 90s dress-up day (in order to help their teachers feel young again... I am not sure us 'oldies' are more excited or should be offended!, 🤔 and would like a pyjama day at the end of term. All sounds reasonable so watch this space!!



Finally it was Art Week amongst all of this! Each class has been working on a project inspired by nature. Activities included making sculptures with natural objects, observational drawings of nature, looking at patterns in nature, 'under the sea' collages and artwork inspired by flowers, minibeasts, the weather and sunsets. A great way to combine the outdoor learning, mindfulness, learning new art skills and about famous artists. Don't forget to enter the Thousand Year Tree Competition at home, attached.

Wishing you a lovely weekend— especially as next week is packed with events- class assemblies, Sports Day on Wednesday and the camp night.. !

Mrs Mace

We are very pleased to announce the classes for next year below! As you know, our class names are named after famous authors so some classes have had a change of name; as recommended authors in Talk for Writing. Class swap will take place on Friday 12th July 2024, where your child will be able to spend time with their new teacher.

In the Primary, we welcome Miss Rose and Miss Bryant to our teaching staff and welcoming back Miss Caires from her maternity leave, Ms Lapworth, Mr Wooley and Mrs Shelley to the team. It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Miss Mattison who is moving away from our area and we wish her the best in her new school. We are also saddened to say goodbye to Mrs Howe who has been a TA for 15 years at Hamsey Green who is looking forward to having time to herself. We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Bates who is returning to University to study Ed Psych/SEND. We are excited that Mr Cauthery will be continuing with us as a teacher trainee.

After school, your new teacher will be available for you to meet and greet in their new rooms from 3.05-3.20. We will also be sending out a map on their class swap letter of where this will be if you child forgets the way!

Year	Class Name	Teacher	Teaching Assistants
Nursery	Acorns	Trudy, Sue, Lisa, Emma, Selina, Vivienne, Lauren & Tracey	
Reception	Inkpen	Mrs Jordan	Mrs Wright
Reception	Butterworth	Miss Kavanagh	Mrs Caruana, Mrs Rose & Miss Lapworth
Year 1	Dodd	Miss Cole	Mrs Harhara
Year 1	Donaldson	Miss Bonnell-Stewart	Mrs Booker, Mrs Stagg & Mrs Cini
Year 2	Browne	Mr Bianco	Miss Formosa (Mon-Thu) Mrs Bailey (Fri)
Year 2	Murphy	Mrs Target	Mrs Irons
Year 3	Bunzl	Miss Caires	Mrs Robins
Year 3	Rowling	Miss Rose	Mrs Palmer & Mrs Stagg
Year 4	Dahl	Miss Bryant	Miss Moylan (Mon. Tues, Thu, Fri) Miss Sasha (Wed)
Year 4	Rashford	Mr Brown	Mrs Kerwood
Year 5	Blackman	Miss Chatfield	Mrs Rowe (Mon-Thurs) Miss Sasha (Fri)
Year 6	Pullman	Mr Chew	Mr Wooley & Mrs Shelley
Year 6	Morpurgo	Mr Poulloin	Mrs Gooding & Mrs Brown

Upcoming SUMMER TERM 2 Events

8th July— 9.00am Year 5 Assembly

8th July— 1.45pm Reception Assembly

9th July— 9am Year 2 Assembly

9th July— 1.45pm Year 4 Assembly

10th July— 8.45-10.00am Reception Sports Day **10.00-10.30 am** Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

10th July— 10.15-11.30pm KS1 Years 1&2 Sports Day **11.30-12.00 pm** KS1 Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

10th July— 1.15PM-2.30pm KS2 Sports Day **2.30-2.50 pm** KS1 Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

11th July— 9am Year 3 Assembly

12th July— 9am Year 1 Assembly

12th July—1:10-2:20pm New Reception children coming in

12th July—3pm drop in and meet new teacher for existing pupils

12th July EVENING KS2 Camp Night (more info to come)

17th July—Diabetes Screening (sign up letter sent)

17th July 9am— Wednesday Rock Steady Concert

19th July 9am— Friday Rock Steady Concert

19th July— reports out

19th July—Rec— Year6 3-4.15pm Summer Festival (more info to come)

22nd July— 3pm PTA preloved uniform sale in hall

22nd July 6pm Year 6 Leavers Play

25th July 11am Acorns Leavers Graduation

25th July 12pm—Acorns finish for summer

26th July MUFTI DAY YEARS R-5

26th July 9am Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

26th July SCHOOL CLOSSES 1.05 RECEPTION **1.10** KS1 & KS2 **4PM** AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Provisional AUTUMN TERM 1 Events

2nd September INSET Day

3rd September INSET Day

4th September INSET Day

5th September—Pupils return Years 1-6

5th & 6th September—New Reception home visits and Nursery stay and play

w/c 9th September—New Reception pupils staggered start

20th September 6-7pm —PTA AGM



This week, we have focused our transport theme on water transport. We have discussed and named many forms of water transport, drawing on the children's experiences and knowledge. We have also talked about the lifeboat service and what they do.

The children have enjoyed lots of water play activities with different types of boats. We used water to encourage the children to predict what objects from the nursery might float or sink. We even held boat races using straws!

We have also explored boats through several craft activities, where the children have created their own water scenes and boats.

During story time, we have found some new boat themed stories which the children have really enjoyed. We have also made up our own boat stories for Talk For Writing.



Please can we ask adults to supervise any children at the start and end of the day—children should not be climbing any of the outdoor play equipment. Thank you for your co-operation.

Absences, medical appointments & sickness

If your child is absent from school or has a medical appointment, please email absence@hamseytlt.co.uk or leave a message on the absence line (01883 622000 option 1). Please let us know their full name, class and reason; including any symptoms they may be displaying. We do need to hear from an adult **each day** a child is absent for safeguarding reasons. Please do not bring your child to school if they have been sick during the night. If your child has been sick or has an upset stomach, children may be off school for 48 hours following the last episode, each case is dealt with separately.

Thank you for your co-operation.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk) Please read this guidance before keeping your child off.

Communication this week

Attendance

1st place:	Inkpen [R] - 100%
2nd place:	Murphy (2) - 97.5%
3rd place:	Said (5) - 96.5%
Whole school:	95.3%



Collection of Hamsey Green children by older siblings

Please be reminded that children can only be collected by someone over the age **16**; unless we have been given written permission from a parent for those in Years 5 and 6 to leave without an adult.

After school activities

If your child is not going to be attending an after school activity but has been in school that day, please can you inform the office and not the class teacher. The office maintains the registers for all clubs and needs to be aware of any child who is not going to be in attendance.



Children should **NOT** be riding their scooters or bikes through the staff car park, down the driveway or through the playground at the beginning or end of the school day. Please ask the children to dismount and ensure you supervise your children whilst they are on them. Adults have reported some children are riding on the school grounds that is likely to cause an accident or damage to cars. Thank you for your co-operation.

Parking & Road Safety

We have been made aware of some inconsiderate parking and unacceptable behaviour/language towards our neighbours at drop off and pick up times. **Please park**

considerately around the neighbouring properties to the school. According to the Highway Code it is an offence to park across driveways and it is illegal to park over dropped kerbs. Parking on a private driveway without consent is a civil offence of trespass and may result in prosecution.



A number of parents have raised concerns regarding speeding traffic on Tithepit Shaw Lane at drop off and collection times. Please complete the road safety assessment form for Surrey to assess the road. We would recommend this is done as we return to school after half term to ensure they come when school is back in business. [Select the option most like the issue - Report a highway issue - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](#) - please select Road Safety Outside a School. Should anyone be interested, there is a vacancy for Road Crossing Patrol for outside the school. This is a paid vacancy through Surrey County Council.

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The cost of school meals will be increasing from 1 September 2024 to £2.80 per meal.

Reminder for warm weather

Please apply one day sun-cream, bring a sun hat and refillable water bottle on warm, sunny days



Healthy pack lunches

We've noticed that some of the pack lunches coming into school are not necessarily healthy or nutritious. Please can you ensure that what you send in is enough to keep them going for their afternoon lessons.

Please remember we are a nut free school—this includes spreads that may contain nuts.

A Guide to Building...

Healthy Snacks & Lunchbox

P2iP

Bring **WATER** everyday!

Putting tap water in a reusable bottle is FREE and will help keep your child hydrated all day!



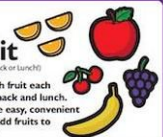
Whole Grains

(Great for Snack or Lunch)
Make sandwiches with whole grain bread. Look for labels that say "100% Whole Grain"



Fruit

(Great for Snack or Lunch)
Pack fresh fruit each day for snack and lunch. These are easy, convenient ways to add fruits to your day



Snacks

Pack healthy snacks each day. Add a healthy sweet or savory treat. Try whole grain crackers and pretzels for savory snacks or dried fruits for sweet treats.



Veggies

(Great for Snack or Lunch)
Add veggies in your child's lunch. They add a healthy crunch instead of chips.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

CAN YOU SPARE A HOUR OR SO A WEEK? COULD YOU OFFER TIME TO HEAR SOME CHILDREN READ OR HELP KEEP OUR LIBRARY TIDY! IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE WHO WILL MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOU WITH MRS MACE TO DISCUSS HOW TO BE A VOLNTEER. PLEASE NOTE- A DBS WILL NEED TO BE APPLIED FOR UNDER OUR SAFEGUARDING EXPECTATIONS.



We are collecting used printer ink cartridges. Please bring them and put them into the recycling box in the office. We are unable to recycle toner or laser cartridges. Any cartridges recycled, helps the school to raise some money. Thank you!

Recycle 4 Charity



We are regularly asked by parents, carers, grandparents and friends of the school as to how you can support the school to continue to provide a rich, wide-ranging curriculum and a high standard of education. If you would like and are able, to support the school and your child's education, please buy one of the books on our Amazon wishlist. This will arrive at school a few days later and be added to the children's non-fiction book box or class library.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3GIZF85XRY4MG?ref=wl_share



School Uniform

We are depleting our school stock of uniform. Please check to see what items of uniform you may need and please order through us in the first instance. Anything that is unavailable through us, please purchase through Price and Buckland directly. Price and Buckland will refer you back to us if it's stock that we hold. <https://price-buckland.co.uk/school-finder/?school-search=Hamsey+Green+Primary+School>

Please be aware that any items ordered through Price & Buckland to be delivered to the school will take longer than if you pay for p&p for home delivery. **Prices will be increasing from 1st April.**

Please name your child's school uniform and coats. We have a lot of unnamed uniform in our lost property box!

FOR CHARITY



£491.51 Royal British Legion

£193 + £300 Red Nose Day

£190.94 NSPCC Number Day

£223 Save the Children

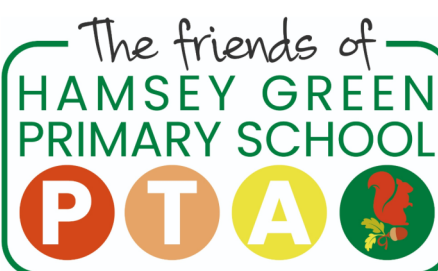
£232 Children in Need

£310 Macmillan Coffee Morning

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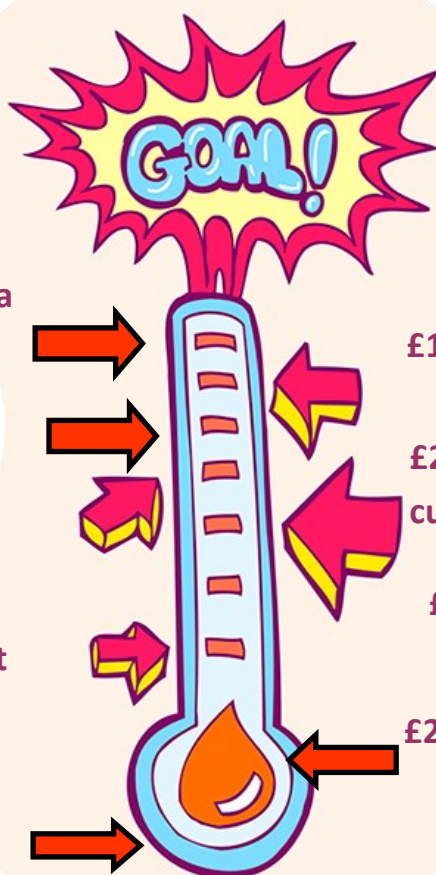
£ 115 Breakfast with a
loved one Event

£ 581 February Event

£128.00 Penny Wars

£947.30 Winter Event

£629 Autumn Event



£169.70 Easter Raffle

£273.57 Christmas Cards,
cups and tea towels

£1,585 Christmas Fair

£2,100 Sponsored Bounce

These fantastic amounts that have been raised has enabled us to be able to order a road safety sign for the end of the drive and finish purchasing bookcases for the remaining areas that do not have them.

FOR NEWSLETTER FOR ALL PARENTS FROM SCHOOLS

If you consider that there are exceptional circumstances relating to your request, please let the school have full details. Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis.

Penalty Notices to Address Poor Attendance at School

A Penalty Notice may be issued as an alternative to the prosecution of a parent/carer for their child's unauthorised absence from school (absence without the agreement of the school or not covered by a medical note) and will be used by Surrey County Council in the following circumstances :-

1. Pupils identified by police and Attendance Advice Officers (formerly Education Welfare Officers) engaged on Truancy Patrols and who have incurred unauthorised absences.

2. Leave of absence in term time (5 days or 10 sessions or more).

Please be aware that The Education (Pupil Registration)(England)(Amendment) Regulations 2013, which became law on 01 September 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

The Headteacher is also required to determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

In such cases the Headteacher/Governing Body must decide whether there are exceptional circumstances. They may request that Surrey County Council issue Penalty Notices when the absence is not authorised.

Warnings will not be given where it can be shown that parents have been notified that such absences will not be authorised.

3. Finally, the issuing of a Penalty Notice will also be considered where it is judged that a parent is failing to ensure their child's regular school attendance.

This will be considered when a pupil has incurred 10 or more unauthorised sessions in the previous 10 school weeks, which may include a pupil arriving late after close of registration.

If you believe at any stage that your child's absence from school may leave you liable to receive a Penalty Notice, it is extremely important that you act without delay to secure their regular attendance.

If you have any questions or require further support to achieve an improvement in your child's attendance, please contact your child's school or the Attendance Advice Officer.

Penalty Notice relating to Exclusions

If a child is excluded from school, Section 103 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 places a duty on parents/carers to ensure that their child is not in a public place without justifiable cause during school hours.

This duty applies to the **first five days of each exclusion**. Failure to do so will render the parent/carer liable to a Penalty Notice. (Alternative education provision will be made available from the sixth day of any exclusion.)

Amount Payable for a Penalty Notice and Consequences for repeat unauthorised absences

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children [in a rolling 3 year period](#) since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Advice and support is available from an Attendance Advice Officer by contacting Surrey Attendance Service as follows :-

North West - Tel: 01483 518130 South West - Tel: 01483 517179

North East - Tel: 01372 833588 South East - Tel: 01737 737777