

Hawkhurst

Church of England Primary School



Newsletter No 09.

Friday, 15 November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week in school and teachers have had some long days with parent consultations. I think all staff and pupils are looking forward to their weekend break this week.



Parent Consultations

Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!

Thank you to everyone who came to consultations this week. In total we held 181 individual consultations out of a possible 202. This was the highest engagement we have had and when we hold consultations again in the spring, we would like to encourage every parent to attend.

Thank you to our Y6 helpers who did a wonderful job of keeping appointments running to time and making sure parents got to see their child's books.

Christmas Jumpers



Thank you for the Christmas jumpers that have been donated so far. The PTA will be collecting next week as well if you still have any your children have outgrown. Please pop them in the yellow tub on the gate at drop off, or hand them into the School Office.

Nurture Room



Our new classroom, which is going to be a Nurture Room is almost finished and we are excited that we will soon be able to open this and show parents round. We will shortly be writing to you with photographs and to tell you a little bit more about what this room will be used for. All of our children will benefit from this space, as it is not just for 1-1 interventions, but classes will be able to timetable sessions in there for things like PSHE lessons and we will be able to hold lunch clubs in there which all children will be able to access.

Governors



On Monday this week, governors came into school to carry out a monitoring visit, which involved them meeting with staff subject leaders, looking at books from each class in different subject areas, and talking to children. It was lovely to receive so many positive comments from governors regarding how well children spoke to them about their learning and the progress they could see in the books.

As always, we are very grateful for the time our governors give to us, which is all voluntary, and the support they offer to the whole school.

Assessment Week



The week beginning Monday 9th December will be our assessment week in school for years 1-6. It is really important that your child is in school for this. Results will be sent out to you, as normal, at the beginning of Term 3.

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BREAKFAST CLUB

Unfortunately, due to a rise in costs, we need to increase the price of breakfast club.

From January we will be charging £3.50 a day if your child comes at 7:30am, and £3 a day if your child comes from 7:45am.

Children in Need



We raised £250.49 for Children in Need from donations today, thank you very much for your support.



Catch up with Yellow Class

Yellow Class have been making Stone Age cave paintings in their art lessons. The children have been learning about the Stone Age to Iron Age in History and took inspiration from the cave paintings in Lascaux, France. To recreate the style, the children used natural tones to create the background of the cave wall. Then they used chalks, pastels, paints and charcoal to tell the ancient stories of hunting and gathering.



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Remembrance Ceremony



Thank you to William and Nell, our Head Boy and Girl who went to the memorial on Monday to lay the wreath on behalf of the school.



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CERTIFICATE
of EXCELLENCE

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO DATE

IN RECOGNITION OF

CLASS TEACHER HEAD TEACHER

WELL DONE

Well Done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week :-

Reinbow : Pippa and Angus

Yr 1 – Matthew and Kara

Yr 2 – Joshua S and Niko

Yr 3 – Elsie A and Amelia

Yr 4 – Andrew and Fletcher

Yr 5 – Kai and Daniel

Yr 6 – George and Lily



Roast Turkey, Chipolata, Stuffing & Gravy
Or
Feta, Spinach & Cranberry Whirl
With
Roast Potatoes
Carrot & Pea Medley
Chocolate Frosted Christmas Cake
Or Satsuma

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Attendance



Attendance % School Year to Date		% Change On Last Week
Year R	93.4	+0.1
Year 1	94.1	+0.5
Year 2	92.4	+0.1
Year 3	95.7	-0.4
Year 4	93.9	-0.1
Year 5	97.7	-0.2
Year 6	94.7	+0.1

The above table shows attendance for the year so far for each class together with a view on how this week has changed from last week. (Green is Good)

This week's winners were **Red** Class who will receive an extra playtime next week.

Hot Chocolate with Mr Rose-Hall

Well-done to the children who have been recognised today for demonstrating our school values: Compassion, Hope, and Community.

- Rainbow: Haidee and Alfie
- Y1: Sophia and Gwen
- Y2: Niko and Vishmita
- Y3: Noah and Bella
- Y4: Teddy M and Penny
- Y5: Oliver and Nathaniel
- Y6: Erica and Finley



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Diary Dates

28TH NOV

- Diabetes Screening Day

2ND DEC

- Red Class Victorian Day
- K Hodsall Christmas Book reading to Classes 1:30pm

4TH DEC

- Yr R & 6 NHS Weight & Height Check
- Christmas Book Grotto

5TH DEC

- Year 5 to "Rewind" at Baptist Ch. (PM)

10TH DEC

- Rainbow Nativity 2:00pm

11TH DEC

- Katie Slowgrove Pupils Concert (TBC)

12TH DEC

- Rocksteady Concert 2:00pm
- KS1 Nativity 9:30am

13TH DEC

- KS1 Nativity 1:30pm

17TH DEC

- Orange Class trip to Pantomime

18TH DEC

- Christmas Jumper Day
- Christmas Lunch

20TH DEC

- Last Day of Term 2
- Christmas Service 9:00-10:00am

A Prayer to end the week



Lord our God,

In your wisdom and love you surround us
with the mysteries of the universe.

Send your Spirit upon our students and fill
them with your wisdom and blessings.

Grant that they may devote themselves to
their studies and draw ever closer to you,
the source of all knowledge.

Amen



Forest School



Forest School sessions next week will be:

Tuesday: Year 1

Wednesday: Rainbow

Thursday: Year 4

Please send children to school dressed in their
FS clothes whatever the weather.

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FOSTER FOR KENT



Come join us!

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Kent Fostering and Supported Homes are looking for new carers and hosts to join our outstanding fostering community in helping to care for some of Kent's most vulnerable children and young people.

Being part of our team you'll receive excellent support, fantastic training opportunities and could really make a positive difference to a child's life.

If you'd like to find out more please take a look at our website where you can watch [this short film](#) which we hope will inspire you to think about fostering with us. It's never too late to give a child a second chance to shine, become the person they can be, and make a difference.

For more information please give us a call on 03000 420 002, fill in our [online enquiry form](#) or sign up to our [mailing list](#)

If you feel that you would be able to help us or if you would like any further information please do get in touch.

Kind Regards

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PUTTING HAWKHURST ON THE MAP

An invitation to all residents to contribute to the new Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**Join us at 10 - 1pm
Saturday 16th November
Hawkhurst Primary School**



This is your chance to pinpoint the parts of the village that:

- need protection (wildlife, green spaces, views, special buildings?)
- face problems (parking, crossing the road, things to do?)
- need improvement (facilities, pathways, design of development?)

You can literally pin these on a Map!

Everyone is welcome. Cake & refreshments provided.

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