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Newsletter 3

Thought of the week:

"In assembly we listened to a story about some people who could stay in a beautiful garden if they didn't eat the food from a particular tree. It was hard for them because the food looked so delicious and some had it but kept it a secret! It made me think about how we shouldn't have secrets and how to follow rules." Ruby-Jean Y3

Celebrations of the week:



Star Book work of the week:

Demi Harvey

James Bushell

Macey Donald

Sam Simmons

Diners of the week:

KS1 - Zach Medrow

KS2 - Lucinda Randall

Nursery - Lexi Smith



Blue Peter Award

Many congratulations to Alfred Parris who received his Blue Peter Sports Badge during the summer for encouraging Aiden Woodward-Brenchley to continue with his swimming lessons. Aiden has now regained his confidence and has taken up lessons again and is doing really well. Well done to both Alfred and Aiden!



Nursery Ground Force Event

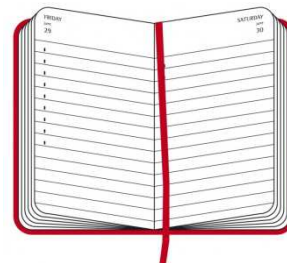
We would like to say a Big Thank You to all those who helped with ground force day on Saturday. It was a really productive morning and we hope you look forward to seeing how the nursery continues to develop over this year. What a great start!



Dates for your diaries:

Wed 30th Sept - Parent Forum 9am
Tues 6th Oct - Individual Photographs
Wed 14th Oct - Harvest Festival, 9.25am
Wed 21st Oct - British Values Day
Fri 23rd Oct - End of Term 1 Celebration Day, 2.30pm
Mon 2nd Nov - Inset Day
Wed 11th Nov - Remembrance Service, 10.30am
Mon 16th Nov - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Tues 17th Nov - Parent Forum 9am
Tues 17th Nov - New Parent Tours, 1.30 - 2.30pm
Wed 18th Nov - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Sat 5th Dec - School Christmas Fete in the Village Hall (full details to follow)
Mon 7th Dec - New Parent Tours, 6.00 - 7.00pm
Wed 16th Dec - Christmas Production, 6.30pm
Fri 18th Dec - Christingle Service, 2.00pm
Tues 5th Jan - Inset Day
Wed 13th Jan - Maths Day
Tues 19th Jan - Parent Forum 9am
Fri 12th Feb - End of Term 3 Celebration Day, 2.30pm
Thurs 3rd March - Book Day
Tues 8th March - Parent Forum 9am
Tues 15th March - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Thurs 17th March - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Thurs 24th March - End of Term 4 Celebration Day, 2.30pm
Tues 19th April - Parent Forum 9am
Wed 25th May - Awe and Wonder Day, 2.30pm
Fri 27th May - Inset Day
Wed 6th July - Sports Day, 9.30am and picnic afterwards with parents, 12.00pm
Fri 8th July - School Reports sent out to parents
Fri 8th July - Table Tennis Tournament with Chiddingly School, 12.30pm
Mon 11th July - Parent Consultation to discuss reports only, 4.00 - 6.00pm
Wed 13th July - Summer Production, 2.00pm and 6.30pm
Tues 14th June - Parent Forum 9am
Thurs 21st July - Leaver's Service, 9.30am
Fri 22nd July - Inset Day
Sat 23rd July - Ground Force Day, 10.00am - 2.00pm

Any amendments or additions to the above dates are in *italics*.



It is good practice to inform parents of the school attendance figures. We will be reporting this information in our newsletters.

Attendance

The national target for attendance is 96.1%.

Our school target is 97.0%.

Our attendance percentages for this school year to date are:
96.6%

Class Attendance Figures for last week:

Year R	-	91.1%
Year 1/2	-	95.5%
Year 3/4	-	97.6%
Year 5/6	-	94.0%

Breakfast and After School Club:

As you are aware, we opened up a Breakfast (Early Birds) and After School Club (Late Birds) this term.



Breakfast Club runs from 7.45am to 8.50am at a cost of £5 and After School Club runs from 3.15pm to 5.30pm. Breakfast (toast or cereal) is provided for the breakfast club and a snack (sandwich/cheese and crackers) is provided for the after school club at a cost of £10 per child.

If you would like your child to attend any Breakfast Club or After School Club sessions, please see Mrs Wicks in the school office.

Football Match - Monday 28th September at East Hoathly CE Primary School

Mr Medrow and Mr Harley are running a football match against Chiddingly Primary after school on Monday 28th September from 3.45pm to 4.45pm. There will be a Key Stage 1 match and a Key Stage 2 match.

Come along and support your child/ren and school if you are able to.



Forest School



Please remember to bring in your Forest School kit if you haven't already. We have a limited number of spares for emergencies.



Reception 'Welly Walk'

On Friday Reception had their first taste of Forest School. The children got dressed in the wet suits we use for outdoor play and put on their boots.

We walked to the forest for the first time and explored one of the key areas!

Daisy said "It's the best school day ever!"

Year 1/ 2

On Monday Year 1 and 2 explored the woodlands through games to help learn the boundaries and then took part in a nature trail. The children followed a rope course looking out for unusual natural objects in the woodland, such as a nest, feathers and a skull.

Year 3/4

On Monday Year 3 and 4 went to the woodlands to explore team work skills. They found out all about how bats use echolocation to help find their food and then played a game to explore this. They also played a game called the 'Tallest Tower' in the forest.





Nursery News



On Friday morning Mrs Wright, Benjamin's Mum came in and did an 'Open the Book' session with the children. The children really enjoyed it and showed great interest. She will be doing alternative Monday and Friday mornings so different children get to take part.



We also have new jumpers and t-shirts that you can buy from Mrs Wicks at the school office at the price of £10.00 for the jumper and £6.00 for the t-shirt.



Thank you,
Nursery staff

Learning Powers

Our Learning Powers this year continue to link with Forest School.



Big Picture - Oak Tree – Pupils have a toolkit of strategies they use for different situations and they take time out to think about them.



Growing and Changing Flower – Pupils know they can get better at learning over time. They believe that through effort their minds can get bigger and stronger.



Creative Butterfly – Pupils like to look at things in different ways, to find another angle.



Curious Fox – Pupils like to find things out, try to get to the bottom of things and find out what is really going on. They like to ask why?



Connecting Roots – Pupils like to look for connections between their learning.



Working together - Ants – Pupils like to work as part of a team to get things done!



Tough Woodlice – Pupils never give up and keep trying!

Parent Forum Meeting - Change of Date

Please note that the next Parent Forum meeting date has been changed to Wednesday 30th September, 9am at East Hoathly.

Message from the FPTA:

For the FPTA Christmas Fete on Saturday 5th December we need to find a reindeer (well pony with antlers!) to attend for the 'Guess the Name of the Reindeer Competition'.

If you have or know anybody who has a suitable pony, please contact the school office!



Save the Date!
East Hoathly FPTA warmly invites you to
The Christmas Fair
December 5th, 11.00-2.00 in The Village Hall
Tombola * Crafts * Auction * Cakes * Mulled Wine * Santa's Grotto
* School Choir and much much more!

24hour Worship Weekend – THIS weekend at East Hoathly Church

4-5pm, Saturday – Open the Book!

From Saturday morning through to Sunday morning, the church has organised a full programme of events to help the village come together to celebrate and pray for many areas in our community.

From 4-5pm on Saturday 26th in the Church, 'Open the Book'* will be acting out bible stories and singing some of the songs we sing in assemblies. The focus of this hour is to pray for and celebrate the **School and Nursery**. We would love it if as many children and parents/carers and teachers can join us for this time. If any children would like to participate in the acting out of the bible stories, please arrive at 3.30pm to run through. From 3-4pm afternoon tea is also available, so do come for this too!

**'Open the Book' is a national initiative that helps bring bible stories alive in school assemblies. A small team from local churches bring 'Open the Book' to East Hoathly School and Nursery every week in assembly.*

Winter Clothes Appeal. Please don't forget that any good quality 2nd hand winter clothes need to be delivered to Sarah Wright (1 Nightingales, East Hoathly, 840020) by FRIDAY 2nd October. Clothes will be sent to refugee camps in the Middle East through 'Samara's Aid Appeal'. For full list of clothes needed please see www.samarasaidappeal.org

EAST HOATHLY CHURCH 24 Hours of Worship

26th – 27th September

We are having a weekend of worship to celebrate all that is good in the village and to give thanks for all that is happening.

You are invited to pop in and see what's going on/join in. Activities of particular interest to Children are on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning as highlighted below.

Please tell us what you would like to be prayed for regarding the School and the Children during those times by returning the tear-off slip below.

TIME	PRAYER	ACTIVITY
11.00	For the church	Sacred Space
12.00	For the tower	Bell ringers ¼ peal
13.00	Foodbank	Frugal Lunch – Join us for Soup and a roll
14.00	For our choir	Songs of Praise
15.00	For Stavertons	Flower Festival afternoon Tea time – cakes may be consumed 😊
16.00	For our schools	Children's story time – Bible stories suitable for all ages. Please come along
17.00	For the Deanery	Join us to watch the Miracle Worker – animated film suitable for all ages
18.00	For the Benefice	Choral Evensong
19.00	For the organ fund	Organ recital/ Songs of Praise – The choir have taken requests for this.
20.00	For our societies	
21.00	For Mission	Movie Night
22.00	For Our Carnival Society	Fireworks (we hope)at 10.30
23.00	Refugees	Movie Night – The Way, The Kings Speech, Casablanca
24.00	Christian Aid	Champing – till dawn
01.00	Village Business	
02.00	Local Artists	
03.00	Age Concern	
04.00	Village Sports clubs	
05.00	The Parish Council	
06.00	Village Hall	
07.00	Playing fields	
08.00	The Diocese	Holy Communion
09.00	For our children	A Special Bacon Buttie club for children through to yr6. Please come along
10.00	For Phil	TGI – An Informal service with coffee & cake
11.00	For the village	TGI -

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During the Prayer time please pray for:

Prayer topics are anonymous and may be either prayed for aloud or silently by those doing the praying. All topics received will be remembered before God in prayer.