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Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November

## Newsletter 9

### Thought of the week:

"In assembly, Year 5/6 acted our school vision song. This helps us to remember our vision and values at East Hoathly!" Coen Year 4



### Celebrations of the week:



### Star Book work of the week:

Sophia Watton-Hall

Emma Brookes



### Diners of the week:

KS1 - Toby Cherry

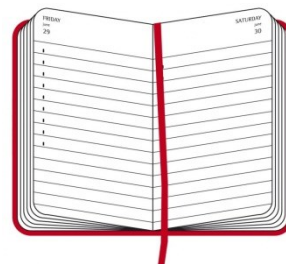
KS2 - Jessica Cherry

Nursery - Charlie Watton



## Dates for your diaries:

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm  
Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Nov - New Parent Tours, 1.30 - 2.30pm  
*Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent Forum 9am*  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Nov - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm  
*Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Nov - Science Workshop for KS2*  
Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Nov - Nursery Open Day, 9.30 - 10.30am  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Nov - Jolly Jumper Day  
Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - School Christmas Fete in the Village Hall (full details to follow)  
Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Dec - New Parent Tours, 6.00 - 7.00pm  
Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Dec - Nursery Open Day, 1.30 - 2.30pm  
Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - Reception Class and Year 6 to see school nurse  
*Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - Great Big Christmas Sing, Winter Gardens, Eastbourne, 7.30pm*  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Production, 2.00pm and 6.30pm  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec - Nursery Nativity, 9.30am  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christingle Service, 2.00pm  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Jan - Inset Day  
Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Jan - Maths Day  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Jan - Nursery Open Day, 12.30 - 2pm  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Jan - Parent Forum 9am  
Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Feb - End of Term 3 Celebration Day, 2.30pm  
Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Book Day  
Tues 8<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Forum 9am  
Tues 15<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm  
Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Consultation Evening, 4.00 - 6.00pm  
Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> March - End of Term 4 Celebration Day, 2.30pm  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> April - Parent Forum 9am  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup> May - Years 3 & 4 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> May - Years 3 & 4 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May - Years 3 & 4 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> May - Awe and Wonder Day, 2.30pm  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May - Inset Day  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> June - Years 3 & 4 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Tues 14<sup>th</sup> June - Parent Forum 9am  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> June - Years 5 & 6 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June - Years 5 & 6 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Wed 6<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day, 9.30am and picnic afterwards with parents, 12.00pm  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July - Years 5 & 6 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July - School Reports sent out to parents  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July - Table Tennis Tournament with Chiddingly School, 12.30pm  
Mon 11<sup>th</sup> July - Parent Consultation to discuss reports only, 4.00 - 6.00pm  
Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Production, 2.00pm and 6.30pm  
Fri 15<sup>th</sup> July - Years 5 & 6 Swimming at Ringmer Pool  
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> July - Leaver's Service, 9.30am  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Inset Day  
Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> 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:  
95.1%

**Class Attendance Figures for last week:**

Year R	-	99.4%
Year 1/2	-	97.5%
Year 3/4	-	98.7%
Year 5/6	-	96.1%



**Remembrance Day**

The whole school observed a two minute's silence at East Hoathly church on Wednesday at 11am. Thank you to Mrs Bushell for supplying the extra poppies to school.

**Jolly Jumper Day**

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November, children can wear a jumper of their choice in return for bringing in a Christmas hamper raffle prize. Please refer to the letter recently sent out for prize suggestions.



**Great Big Christmas Sing**

The Big Sing will be held at the Winter Garden theatre in Eastbourne on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Further details will follow soon!

## Bacon Butty

The whole school had a Bacon Butty morning at the start of the day on Thursday. Parents and children enjoyed their sandwiches and joined in the hunt for the Gospel Values.

The Gospel Values are: Love, Faith, Hope, Truth and Prayer. These run alongside our school vision values of Respect, Enjoyment, Excellence, Working together, resilience and Creativity.

It was wonderful to see the children, parents and governors singing the School Vision Song.

**Mrs Turk would like to let you know that the Bacon Butty Club is on every first Sunday in the month in the school dining hall at 10.00 a.m.**

Cian said "Please can we have bacon sandwiches every Wednesday!"

Joseph said "Open the Book helps me to learn the story of Joseph and the technicolour dreamcoat. I thought about the value of 'respect' when listening and joining in."





## Nursery News



Last week we built a robot guy for the Guy Fawkes competition. The children enjoyed painting him and sticking the body together. We also walked to see the bonfire where we were told about the history of the bonfire by Keith Pettit.



### REMINDER

Could we remind all parents that the closing date for school admissions is January the 15<sup>th</sup> and you can complete the application on the East Sussex County Council website. Please see our website for links and information.

Thank you,  
Nursery staff

## Multicultural Arts Week

We started Term 2 with a flurry of colours, arts and culture with each class 'travelling' around the world to look at and explore different cultures. During PE all classes explored traditional music from their



country's culture, creating dances and freeze frames.



Reception enjoyed discovering the Story of 'Rama and Sita' and understanding the celebration of Diwali, by making Diwali

lamps and acting out the story.

Year 1 and 2 flew to Mexico where they tasted different Mexican foods such as Nachos, dips and salsas. They then used pastels to draw Mexican artefacts.

Year 3 and 4 learnt about 'Anansi traditional folktales' from Africa. They made shadow puppets and performed using these in a shadow theatre. The children also looked at the meanings of African masks and created their own.



Year 5 and 6 learnt about New Zealand through the story 'Granny joined the All Blacks'. They learnt the Hakka, made mala masks and wrote their own stories.

We had a fantastic finish to our week when we spent the day with our Federation friends taking part in different workshops. All of the children were mixed up into six different groups with children from both Chiddingly and East Hoathly across all year groups.

The children enjoyed workshops where they learnt, Chinese writing, Spanish songs and World War 1 songs. They also took part in African drumming with Cheikh from 'Africa Arts Company' and Greek Drama with Mr Jonson. The children then created 'Natural Art' in groups using objects found on the playground.



All the children and staff had a fantastic day and it was lovely to see so many parents celebrating with us at the end of the day. Thank you to all the parents from East Hoathly for helping to transport the children to Chiddingly.

We have listened to your feedback in relation to staggering parking, drop off and pick up times and will look into this for future events.

East Hoathly look forward to welcoming children from Chiddingly Reception and Year 3 & 4 classes during this term for their topical celebrations.



## INFORMATION

### Parent Forum - 18<sup>th</sup> November

Please note that the next Parent Forum date is next Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November at 9am.

Miss Purcell will be delivering the Forum which will be on Maths. This will include:

- New Curriculum Expectations
- Mental Maths

Please feel free to come along as it would be great to see you.

### Phunky Foods

As part of a government and curriculum initiative to encourage pupils to think about their physical wellbeing we are running a new scheme in school called 'Phunky foods'. We will be using sessions to look at how we can use exercise and healthy eating to be physically well.

Over the next week pupils in Year 1 / 2 and Year 5 / 6 will receive a fun food diary to complete and return to school. We will then return to this in a year and see how the children change over the year. Please keep an eye out for the diary and information pack.

### Lost Coat

Please can all parents check their child's school coats as a Key Stage 1 pupil has mislaid their coat. The name is in the pocket of the coat. Thank you.

### Mrs Flynn

Mrs Alison Flynn completed her consultancy work with the school at the end of October and has moved on to support other schools. Governors and staff have very much appreciated all her hard work and have passed on our very grateful thanks. We send her our very best wishes for her continuing executive head role.

### Messages from FPTA

#### Strictly come dancing in East Hoathly!

We are delighted to announce that East Hoathly will be holding it's very own strictly come dancing! This will be open to all, held at 5-7pm on a date early in 2016, so get those sequins on stand-by!

#### Next meeting for FPTA 2pm 26th November

Buy brand new - very, very discounted books for Christmas presents! The FPTA will be selling a selection of new adult and child fiction and non-fiction books for just £1-£2 on Thursday 26th November, immediately after school.

There will also be second hand uniform for sale. Please bring any unwanted items for us to sell before Thursday 26th November. Thank you.

Volunteers to help at the school Christmas fair wanted! Please contact the school office if you are able to help out on Saturday 5th December with setting up/on a stall or packing away- even if it's for an hour.  
Thanks. FPTA



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