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Friday 4th November

Newsletter 8

Collective Worship Thought of the week:

"We learnt about house building. You need to think about things before you start and make sure you have the right tools." Fern Year 6

Growth Mindset Quote of the week:

"If you don't try, you'll never succeed.





Celebrations of the week:

Star Book of the week

Alexander Freezer **Evelyn Brenchley** Stanley Twiddy



Citizen of the Week

Stanley Twiddy for Respecting adults and always saying 'please' and 'thank you'.



Learning Powers Certificate

We would like to invite you to celebrate learning with us during our Friday celebration assemblies.

On Friday 11th November in our celebration assembly at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Reception Class - Evelyn Brenchley



Diners of the week:

Nursery - Malakai Sibanda KS1 - William Thatcher

KS2 - Fern Cave







Dates for your diaries:

11th Nov - Remembrance Day Service at the Church 10.45am

14th Nov - Anti-Bullying Week

14th Nov - NHS Flu Nasal Vaccine for Years 1, 2 and 3

17th Nov - Open time for new parent tours 1.30pm-2.30pm

21st Nov - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm

23rd Nov - Parent Forum 9am

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2nd Dec - Jolly Jumper Day

7^h Dec - Open time for new parent tours 6pm-7pm

9th Dec - Winter Wonderland Christmas Fair 3.15-6pm East Hoathly Village Hall

12th Dec - Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Production 2pm

14th Dec - Christmas Production 2pm & 6.30pm

21st Dec - Christingle Service 2pm

18th Jan - Maths Day

24th Jan - Parent Forum 9am

 9^{th} Feb - End of term celebration 2.30pm

2nd March - Book Day

15th March - Parent Forum 9am

21st Mar - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm

23rd Mar - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm

31st Mar - Easter Service 9.25am

2nd May - Parent Forum 9am

2nd May - School Nurse to see Reception Pupils (Vision and Hearing)

15th May - Enterprise Week

22nd May - Awe & Wonder Day - celebration 2.30pm

5th June - Inset Day

14th June - Parent Forum 9am

29th June - Table Tennis Tournament at Chiddingly

4th July - Sports Day 9.30am & Picnic 12.00

7th July - Reports out to parents

10th July - Dress Rehearsal for Summer Production 2pm

11th July - Summer Production 2pm & 6.30pm

14th July - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm to discuss reports only

20th July - Leavers Service

21st July - Inset Day

Any changes to the above diary will be in italics.

Book Fair

There will be a Scholastic book fair in school from 28th November. Are there any parents who would be happy to volunteer to support the running of this from 8.30-9am and 3.15-3.45pm each day (other than Friday afternoon as the book fair is collected on Friday lunchtime).



Remembrance Service

Please come along to our Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on Friday 11th November 10.45am.



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 percentage for this school year to date is: 96.0%

Class Attendance Figures for last week:

 Year R
 97.3%

 Year 1/2
 95.9%

 Year 3/4
 95.2%

 Year 5/6
 96.6%

Attendance

Thank you for the feedback regarding the attendance letters sent out at the end of last term and we will reflect on the wording of some of these generic attendance letters. The purpose of these letters is to share information about children's attendance at school. We appreciate the support parents give to the school and look forward to continue working with the parents and community to ensure the highest level of education for the children.

Term	Maths Focus Parent Workshop	Reading Focused Parent Workshop	Grammar Focused Parent Workshop
2	Calculation strategies	Supporting reading at home	Content of the Grammar curriculum and expectations for each year group
	Date: end of day 9.11.16	Date: 5.12.16 end of school	9am Date: 23.11.16
3	Reasoning skills	How guided reading/reciprocal reading are	Grammar terminology
	Date: 12.1.17 9am	delivered Date: 8 th Feb after school	Date: 24 th Jan 9am

GROWTH MINDSET

Tough Woodlouse of the Week

Alexander Freezer - most improved in skipping

and

Sid Kasperuk - Cricket achievement

Growth Mindset Success Story

In the late 1990s, Larry Page was struggling to sell his product to various businesses. Fortunately for him, no-one wanted to buy it, so he set up his own company, Google. He is an advocate of moonshot thinking, which in his words is <a href="https://www.negard.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.a/mealthy.com/having.c





Nursery News

Our letter sound this week: S Our number this week is: 8

Welcome back, the children have been exploring the nursery with all the new props for this term. They have been asking lots of questions about the different animals and also trying to replicate the noises they make to. We have been learning about the safety needed around fireworks, a new firework song and making firework pictures.





Please can we remind you that nursery finishes at 3:15pm so could you pick up from nursery before collecting school children.

Thank you Nursery Team

FPTA News

School Staff link with FPTA

Miss Denney and Miss Purcell are the staff links for the FPTA. Please see them if you have any items to discuss about FPTA.

The FPTA met for the first time this academic year to plan the events we will be holding this year (and what they will be raising money for). We will soon be asking what is on the children's and staff 'wish lists'.

Already this year the FPTA will be funding:

- *Monkey bars for the trim trail
- *PA system
- *Transportable stage
- *School and nursery pantomime to be provided by a touring company
- *iPad and cover for the nursery.

Winter Wonderland (Friday 9th December 16 3:15-6:00pm)

We will be holding our incredible raffle, auction, crafts, games and LOTS more!

Christmas Merchandise

Children will all be given the opportunity to design their own Christmas card (which can also be printed onto other merchandise).

We will also be producing a shopping bag which will feature all the children in school and nursery.

Film Nights

The committee would like to run some sociable activities for the children over the next year. Date tba.

Sweetie tombola jam jars of sweets - donations wanted please.

Please could you fill a jar with sweets and take to the school office between now and the week of the fair. Your children can decorate the jar however they like.

This will be used on the sweetie tombola as a prize.

The Christmas Fair run by the FPTA is not only a lovely, festive, family event, but it also raises money for the school. This year, the aim is to raise money to go towards trim trail equipment.

Thank you,



Forest School

In Forest School this week, Year 1 & 2 used their super sight along a line to spot objects that should and shouldn't be in the woodland. We thought about how the objects could affect the woodland animals and us.

"We always tell an adult if we see something



that should be in the woodland" (Daisy)

"Don't leave litter around because other

people will think it's ok to litter" (Lochlan)

"It could affect the animals and trees"

(Oscar)



Interesting Word of the Week

Each week there will be an interesting, useful but unusual word for the community to get to know. We will select a word and provide a definition for it. Pupils will be asked by Miss Lewis and Mr Procter in Friday's assembly what the word is and what it means. They will ask them to put the word into a sentence to show they have understood the meaning. This is to help build up pupils vocabulary through the year.



This week's word is:
Vicarious



- taking the place of another person or thing; acting or serving as a substitute.

Term 2 Topics

Reception

Our topic this term is 'Noisy Nightlife'. We will be spending time learning about nocturnal animals and winter celebrations such as Bonfire night, Remembrance and Christmas. Our key texts will be Peace at Last, Owl Babies and The Jolly Christmas Postman.



Year 1 and 2

Our topic this term is 'The Super Seasons of Stickman'. We will be basing our learning around the changing seasons in Science and on the book 'Stick man' by Julia Donaldson. We will also be learning about our local area and East Hoathly Carnival. If the children have any pictures, photos or writing about any of these themes it would be lovely to share with the class. Every Thursday afternoon this term we will have Forest School so please can the children bring in their forest school kits.

Year 3 and 4

This term, Year 3/4 class are learning about Ancient Greece. We will be reading myths and legends of Ancient Greece.

If you have any artefacts linked to Ancient Greece we would love to explore them in class!

Year 5 and 6

In Year 5/6 class this term, our topic will be The Victorians, with a focus on our local area in The Victorian times. We will be using 'The Street Child' by Berlie Doherty to help us make comparisons between the lifestyle then and now.

If you have any Victorian books or artefacts, we would love to share these in class.

Healthy Living Week







This week has been Healthy Living week (31st October- 4th November) the children have been involved in activities between both schools to raise awareness of how to stay fit and healthy. This has included exploring healthy eating, healthy bodies and hygiene. On Tuesday 1st of November we had the 'Skip 2 B fit' company visiting our school. On Wednesday 2nd November the children used their own toothbrush and a disclosing tablet to find out how to make sure they clean the different areas of their teeth. Mrs Tarry visited Reception and Years 5 and 6 to talk about keeping teeth clean. Mrs Rattray visited Year 1/2 and 3/4 and talked about her role as a GP. She shared some the equipment she uses, talked to the children about red and white blood cells, explained some of the different illnesses people get and some of the special words she uses (like 'suture' rather than 'stitches'). Thank you to both parents for coming in. The children learnt a

great deal.



Breakfast Club - Casual Contract

We have a vacancy for a casual Breakfast Club Assistant on Thursdays and Fridays from 7.45am to 8.30am. If anyone is interested, please see Mrs Wicks in the school office.

India - International Day

On the 20th October, Chiddingly and East Hoathly Schools celebrated their first International Day with a focus on India. We enjoyed many activities in our classes, learning about the country and widening our experience of other cultures. We were very grateful to Mrs Fox who visited us and shared her experiences and photos from her charity visit to India. All of us learnt about how life in India is very different and enjoyed the interesting talk.

Activities in classes were really hands on, with food tasting, observing Indian artefacts, painting gods and goddesses and creating Rangoli Patterns.

Each class had so much fun learning Bollywood Dance routines with the 'Bollywood Belles'. We really enjoyed performing and showing these to the parents and carers at the end of the day.

Many thanks also to all the parents who brought in items from home to support the learning.

Well done everyone for a fantastic last day of term!



Lost Items

There have been some lost items in the school this week. Please can parents check their children's sweatshirts to make sure that they have the correct items of clothing that belong to their child. Thank you.

Christmas Dinner

A separate Christmas dinner letter has been sent home – please can your reply be sent to the office by 21st November so the cook can place her order.

Please note that the school dinner on 30th November will be Roast Chicken and not roast turkey.

Christmas Events

Friday 9th December - Winter Wonderland Fete 3.15-6pm Village Hall (more details to follow)

Christmas Productions

Following feedback we have received, this year we are adapting our Christmas productions:

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 & 2 will be performing a Nativity play

Dress Rehersal – Monday 12.12.16 at 2pm (KS2 will attend)

Production – Wednesday at 14.12.16 2pm

Year 3,4,5 & 6 will be performing a Carol Concert

Dress Rehearsal - Monday 12.12.16 at 9.25am (KS1 will attend)

Carol Concert - Wednesday 14.12.16 at 6.30pm

Younger siblings are welcome to attend the dress rehersals. The FPTA will be at performances providing refreshements

Breakfast Club:

As you are aware, we opened up a Breakfast (Early Birds) last year.

Breakfast Club runs from 7.45am to 8.50am at a cost of £5. Breakfast (toast or cereal) is provided for the breakfast club.

If you would like your child to attend any Breakfast Club sessions, please complete the form below and see Mrs Wicks in the school office.





East Hoathly Church of England Primary School Breakfast Club Term Dates and Application Form

Term Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Total
Child/Children's N	ames					
Early Birds Breakf	ast Club £5.0	00 (From 7:45	am)			

Term Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Total £
	•				•	£

Please complete the ab	ove with a tick for all	I the days that you	would like to boo	ok for the term.
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If you need to change a session then this is possible,

but only if the alternative is in the same week and prior notice is given.

Payment must be made in advance by either cash, cheque (payable to East Hoathly CE Primary School) or by childcare vouchers.

Signed	Date	

Thank you to the parents that have already returned their form. Please can you spare a few minutes to complete this questionnaire.

Thank you

Parent Questionnaire

We want to know your views.

Name ((if	you wish)	'
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	(please tick)	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
1	My child is happy at this school					
2	My child feels safe at this school					
3	My child makes good progress at this school					
4	My child is well looked after at this school					
5	My child is taught well at this school					
6	My child receives appropriate homework for their age					
7	This school ensures the pupils are well behaved					
8	This school deals effectively with bullying					
9	This school is well led and managed					
10	This school responds well to any concern I raise					
11	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress					
12	I would recommend this school to another parent					

		Please add your comments
13	Does your child know about e- safety from their lessons at school (e.g. staying safe on the internet)?	
14	Do you use the school website at home? How?	
15	How does your child use the computer at home (e.g. using the internet to research home-school projects etc.)?	
16	Any other comments that you would like to make about the school:	

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this questionnaire.

Please return this to the School Office by Friday 11th November.

Your recipe for success

Raising achievement

Increasing pupil's determination to succeed.



Contact Details



What did you want to do?

Our children come to us with levels of attainment which are well below the national averages. We wanted to provide our pupils with a way to physically prove that determination would lead to success and therefore experience the benefits of intrinsic reward – the "Yes" feeling. This provides the motivation for them to accelerate their progress in academic subjects too. We employed "Skip2BFit" to deliver a six week programme which would enable the children to experience the "Yes feeling" when they achieved their skipping targets and then apply the skills they learnt (perseverance, concentration, setting themselves aspirational targets etc) to their learning in the classroom.

What did you do?

Having carefully researched the contribution that the Skip2BFit programme made to pupil progress when I was an LA Adviser, I implemented the programme when I returned to Headship. Skip2bFit ran sessions with each class every week for six weeks and a final celebration assembly at the end of the six weeks. By giving children the opportunity to individually challenge themselves physically every week, they experience what All Faiths' calls the "Yes Feeling"! Experiencing that deep, warm feeling, of knowing that you have improved through your own effort, is highly motivating. Skipping is accessible to all and the sessions are very active - there simply isn't any time to worry about how well, or otherwise, anyone else is doing or if you are being "judged", therefore there are no self-esteem issues. The children concentrate on learning a skill (with a highly enthusiastic and encouraging role model) which can be practiced in private – the recipe ensures success for every individual.



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Once a child has experienced the thrill of succeeding, it is easy to transfer that feeling to learning which they find challenging in the classroom. Adults working with the children refer to the success they had whenever children are feeling hesitant. Circle times and discussions were focused on "how" and "why" they have been successful when skipping – effort, perseverance concentration etc. The end result is the "reward" - the "Yes Feeling"! Therefore, whenever a child doesn't feel confident about their learning, they know that by applying the same effort, the "Yes Feeling" can result. They are motivated to "have a go". Intrinsic motivation is the key to success and that's exactly what the Skip2BFit programme engenders

What difference has this made?

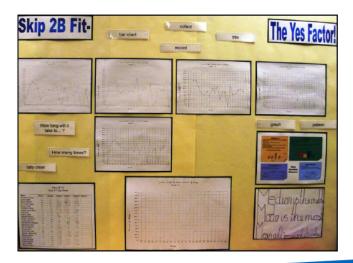
Pupils' attitude to learning has improved because they have learnt that determination leads to success which provides them with intrinsic reward – a wonderful feeling! They very much enjoy all the aspects of the programme, are keen to participate and transfer their improved social and emotional skills to their academic work. We have seen progress and attainment levels at our school improve year on year. Last year the progress that they made between KS1 and KS2 put them in the top 2% nationally. As an integral part of a whole school improvement drive, Skip2BFit has helped to raise expectations and helped our pupils to be ambitious for success.

Do you have a specific example of a young person who has benefitted from participating in the project?

We receive many comments from our pupils about how the programme has benefited them; typical is "Now I know I can do anything if I work really hard".

Why did it work?

- Excellent delivery
- Ability to build sound relationships with staff and pupils
- Encouragement of personal success, rather than competition between pupils, therefore, successfully enhancing self-esteem.



"The Skip2BFit programme is an excellent programme for engaging pupils of all ages and abilities in an enjoyable and engaging experience. John and the team use skipping to raise attainment, support with engagement and participation as well as offer many more benefits to the whole school from just one day's session. We are proud to be working with them and would recommend them to any school for any need.

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