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NEWSLETTER

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Dear East Hoathly Families,

Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely half term break.

The weather has definitely turned colder this week so please ensure your children are bringing warm layers into school each day.

We had a busy first week back - tractor visit, guy making, Hever castle trip and lots of learning about our new topics!

We have a really busy term ahead and there are lots of events planned. Please keep a look out for communication from the school office and from the FPTA about these events. Staff and children are very excited about the return of the Uckfield Late Night Shopping event on Friday 3rd December. We will begin rehearsals next Friday so please ensure you have completed a reply slip if your child would like to take part. As we have a later slot this year, we are keeping this to a KS2 only event.

We hope you have a great weekend - wrap up warm!

Miss Lewis



Letters

Please make a note of the following letters that have been sent home and need a reply. The due date for each reply is in brackets:

All: Flu Vaccination Letter (register online by 11am on 12th Nov)

All: Clubs Term 2 (please return any required consent forms asap)

Foxes & Owls: Late Night Shopping (12th Nov)

All: Children In Need

Term 2 Key Dates

Nov 2021

11/11—Remembrance Service

12/11—Jolly Jumper Day

15/11—Anti-Bullying Week/

Parent Consultations

18/11—New Parent Tours 1.30-2.30pm

19/11—Children In Need

26/11—Christmas Fair

Mince Pie Run

Mr Procter is going to be running the 10 mile Mince Pie race on 5th December with Mr Gray, Mrs Fry, Miss Frankel and two of our Pioneer Governors Alan Brundle and Paul Holt. If you would like to sponsor them please visit:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/pioneerfederationschools?utm_term=gaY5pDvzy



Squid Games

During playtimes, we have noticed that some children have been discussing and copying language and games from the popular adult TV show 'Squid Games'. Please be aware that this show has content that is highly inappropriate for children.

In assembly this week, children were informed that any games played that involved inappropriate language or content (such as imitation of 'shooting' each other) will be stopped immediately by staff and children will be sanctioned.

Please support us in ensuring children are protected from this content.

Attached to this newsletter is a poster from National Online Safety with further information for parents.

Book Fair

The travelling book fair will be in school next week.

Please visit the fair in the Learning Zone at drop off or pick up from Tuesday until Friday morning.

TRAVELLING BOOKS

FILL OUR SCHOOL WITH FREE BOOKS WHEN YOU BUY FROM THE BOOK FAIR*

COME TO THE **BOOK FAIR**

FIND HUNDREDS OF THE BEST NEW BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99!

YOUR SUPPORT HELPS DONATE OVER £6.4M BOOKS TO SCHOOLS EVERY YEAR.



NEWS FROM NURSERY



This week in Nursery we have been learning about Bonfire Night. We had lots of fun making our own fireworks!



We have also been experimenting making our own play dough!



NEWS FROM HEDGEHOGS CLASS



Hedgehog Soup Cafe

Mrs Whythe would like to thank all of the Hedgehog families who joined us for our Pumpkin Soup Cafe and 'Book Look' on the last day of term. The children had worked so hard to create posters, soup and lay out the tables for the event.



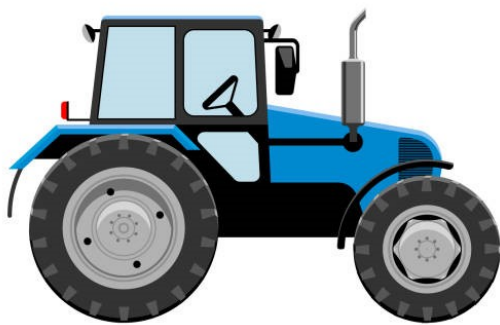


Tractor Visit

Hedgehogs and Nursery were learning about Harvest and Farming, Ant Becvar brought his tractor in for the children to see.

Jack said "Its wheels were huge, even bigger than Mrs Whythe".

The children loved looking at the different parts and hearing all about how tractors are used at Harvest time. Thanks Ant!



NEWS FROM OWLS CLASS



World War 2 Dress Up Day

Friday 22nd October

Owls Class enjoyed a dress up day exploring their topic—World War 2. We spent the day cooking, learning to dance to 'The Lambeth Walk' and making our own VE Medals!



The Wonder Wall

Miss Lewis' Wonderwall is up and running for the school year!

Each class has a 'frame' to fill each week with some super writing.



Well done to Harry Palmer and Pearl Becvar who had their work on the wall this week!



Learning Powers

This week, the Learning Powers certificates go to...

Squirrels Class— Darcy Osborn

Fox Class— Not awarded this week as at Hever Castle

Owl Class— Spencer Bushell



The Golden Broom

We have added a new celebration to our Friday assembly.....

The Golden Broom (ooooooo, aaaaaah!)

The Golden Broom is awarded to the class with the tidiest cloakroom of the week!

This weeks winner is... **SQUIRRELS CLASS—Well Done!**



Lunchtime Awards

Congratulations and well done to:

Diners of the Week:

Jack Thomson

Koko Titherly

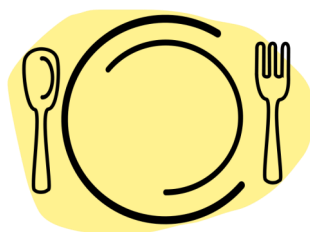
Champion Tables:

Strawberries Table

(Owls & Hedgehogs sitting)

Blueberries Table

(Squirrels & Foxes sitting)



Pen Licences

There haven't been any pen licences awarded this week, but keep practising everyone!



Headteacher's Awards

This week, the Headteacher's Award goes to:

Harry Watkins, Ezra Brown and Sophia Randall

Well Done all!

Dates for your Diary 2021/2022

Dec 2021

1/12—New Parent Tours 6-7pm

7/12—Nativity Dress Rehearsals

9/12—1.30pm & 6pm Nativity
Performance

15/12—FGB 5-7pm

17/12—Christingle Service 2pm/ Last
Day of Term 2

Jan 2022

4/1—INSET

5/1—Term 3 starts

Feb 2022

8/2—Safer Internet Day

10/2—FGB Google Meet

11/2—Last day of Term 3

21/2—Term 4 starts

March 2022

3/3—World Book Day

8/3—Parent Consultations

10/3—Parent Consultations

Apr 2022

1/4—Easter Service 9.25am/Last day of
Term 4

18/4—Bank Holiday

19/4—Term 5 starts

27/5—Sports Day and Picnic/Last day of
Term 5

May 2022

2/5—May Bank Holiday

18/5—Lockdown Practice

Jun 2022

6/6—INSET

7/6—Term 6 starts

Jul 2022

5/7—FGB

12/7—Summer Production Dress
Rehearsal

14/7—Summer Production Performance
1.30pm & 6pm

15/7—Reports out to parents

19/7—Parent Consultation for Reports/
Leavers Service 9.25am

20/7—Last day of term

21/7—INSET



Jolly Jumper Day

IN EXCHANGE FOR WEARING A 'JOLLY JUMPER' PLEASE BRING IN A DONATION OF THE COLOUR FOR YOUR CHILD'S CLASS. THIS IS FOR HAMPER/RAFFLE PRIZES AT THE CHRISTMAS FAIR.

DUCKLINGS, RABBITS & HEDGEHOGS – RED OR PINK DONATIONS

SQUIRRELS – ORANGE OR YELLOW DONATIONS

FOXES – GREEN OR BLUE DONATIONS

OWLS – PURPLE OR WHITE DONATIONS



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NOVEMBER

- ✓ TOYS
- ✓ GAMES
- ✓ PUZZLES
- ✓ GIFTS
- ✓ FOOD
- ✓ DRINK



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CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 26 November 15:00-17.30

East Hoathly Village Hall



Meet Father Christmas
Christmas Crafts
Face Painting
Mulled Wine, Hot Chocolate & Mince Pies
Raffle & Barrow of Booze
Games & Tombolas
...and lots more



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Christmas Wreath Making



Wednesday 1st December 7pm
East Hoathly Village Hall
£20pp tickets in advance from Hollie or Emma
please bring own scissors
Come be festive and merry!
07707340057 fpta@easthoathly.e-sussex.sch.uk
We will have a festive bar with mulled wine



East Hoathly C of E Primary School and Nursery

At **East Hoathly Church of England Primary School**, we are completely committed to providing an outstanding education to our pupils. Our excellent staff have been recruited for their passion, enthusiasm and imagination with children to ensure that every single pupil is engaged, excited and challenged by the learning experiences here. Children's time in their Primary School is vitally important and all too short and so our focus on their needs is relentless. We are very ambitious for them whilst remaining committed to their happiness and wellbeing at all times. We are a small school of 5 classes and (other than Reception) our classes are mixed-age: Nursery, Year 1/2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6.

Please visit our website for further information on curriculum, Forest School and school life.



'Pupils love coming to school. They say that teachers make learning enjoyable and fun. Pupils are confident and resilient, always willing to take on a challenge.'

'Pupils behave well in lessons and at other times, including playtimes. They are kind and considerate to each other, and older pupils take great care of the younger ones.'

'The staff play a huge part in making sure our children feel safe, respected and able to enjoy themselves and enjoy learning.'

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Visit our school website to see our fantastic virtual tour
pioneerfederation.co.uk/easthoathly



What Parents Need to Know about SQUID GAME

AGE RESTRICTION
15+
Suitable only for 15 years and over.

With themes of horror and violence, it's important for parents and carers to understand the potential risks posed to young audiences by the nine-episode Netflix-exclusive TV show, Squid Game. The series, rated 15+, is about a world where contestants who are deeply in debt play children's games in order to win cash prizes. The losers, however, are violently killed. The show's popularity has meant it has spread in various guises across online platforms, with a heightened risk of children and young people potentially viewing unsuitable content. That's why we've created this guide to help parents and carers understand exactly what Squid Game is all about.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some might argue that Squid Game contains content that might not even be suitable for older teens, let alone young children. Characters are brutally tortured and killed through stabbings or getting shot as a result of rules developed and enforced by a masked game master. The show also features sexual content and threats of sexual violence, as well as a strong theme of gambling that runs throughout the whole show.

APPEAL TO YOUNG PEOPLE

Whilst the content is very much adult-themed, some features of the show seem to appeal to young children at face-value. The name "Squid Game" may be interpreted as a programme aimed at children rather than adults. The content itself, such as the bright and childish aesthetics, may also appeal to young children, particularly as there's a focus on playground games to go with it.

SIMILAR CONTENT SUGGESTIONS

When using social media and streaming sites, content is recommended based on what is the user has consumed i.e. what they have watched or searched for. Therefore, there is a greater chance of your child being exposed to similar violent or horror-themed content on social media after watching a show like Squid Game.

VIRAL SPIN-OFFS

As well as Netflix, Squid Game has grown in notoriety and prevalence on other platforms, like TikTok and YouTube, with clips of the show going viral. On YouTube Kids, a number of successful channels have taken advantage of the Squid Game trend, creating content such as "How to Draw Squid Game Characters" videos. Its popularity has also led to the creation of app games that put the player in the role of a contestant who is killed if they lose a game.

SCENE RE-ENACTMENTS

Squid Game's pervasive presence on social media has encouraged many content creators to re-enact scenes from the show, which has led to reports of children wanting to also imitate those scenes displayed on social media at home and in school. Much of this content stems from the "Red Light, Green Light" game from the first episode, where contestants attempt to make it past a giant animatronic girl before she shoots them.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Netflix has easily accessible built-in parental controls that allow you to set up a profile for your child with a specific age rating, block them from watching certain shows and even lock their account so it can't be accessed by anyone else. Netflix also allows you to access your child's viewing history to make sure they're not watching anything inappropriate for their age.

CHECK AGE RATINGS

Age ratings on TV shows and films are a way to gauge what is suitable for audiences of different ages. If you are unsure about the content your child is watching, check the age rating to see if the TV show or film is deemed suitable for their age group. If not, try watching the show yourself or talking to other parents who have seen it before to get a better understanding of why it's been rated a certain way.

MONITOR ONLINE ACTIVITY

Squid Game has become a social media craze and it's possible your child will see some content related to the show on various platforms. Therefore, it's important to be aware of which websites your child has visited on their smartphone, tablet or laptop, and to also keep an eye out for which accounts they are following on social media platforms, such as Instagram and TikTok.

HAVE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Making sure your child is comfortable telling you about what they see online can go a long way to ensuring you are kept in the loop about their online use. Showing an interest in what your child is doing online gives you the opportunity to discuss what is and is not appropriate for their age group, and how they might recognise their own feelings towards content they see.

MONITOR BEHAVIOUR

Due to the viral nature of the show, even if your child has not seen Squid Game, it's important to keep an eye on their behaviour. There have been reports from schools of children "playing Squid Game" in the playground and acting aggressively towards the losers as a way to replicate the consequences of losing in the TV show. Viewing content that makes your child feel uncomfortable could also cause them to feel distressed or distracted, so it's important you can easily spot the signs.

WATCH THE SHOW

If you're trying to figure out whether you should let your child watch Squid Game, it might be a good idea to watch the show yourself first. Doing so will allow you to get a better understanding of the show's content and themes, as well as help you decide if this is something you'd feel comfortable with your child being exposed to.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced and highly respected freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant. Previously the editor of tech tabloid The INQUIRER, Carly now works as the news editor for Computer Shopper and IT Pro and writes for a number of publications including Forbes, TechRadar, Tes, The Metro, uSwitch and WIRED.



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