

ISSUE 5 FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 2022

Dear East Hoathly Families,

It has been another busy couple of weeks at East Hoathly and despite the wet weather we have been getting stuck into a range of activities and experiences.

We are looking forward to our upcoming festive events over the next few weeks, including the Christmas Fair today. Rehearsals are also underway for our Nativity and all classes are working hard on their songs. We can't wait to share it with you!

Mrs Whythe,



If you need the newsletter, or any other school letter, to be in a different format, please speak with Mrs Mackmin in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Mackmin.

Forest School

Nursery have their Forest School session next week on Weds 30th November please come into school in Forest School kits on this day and bring school uniform to change into.

Hedgehogs-Wellies

Hedgehogs- Please can the children leave a pair of wellies at school if they haven't already.

<u>School Gate</u>

A reminder that the school gate doesn't open until 8.40am and there is no staff supervision outside before this time. Please bear this in mind for children that walk to school.

<u>Key Dates</u>

Nov/Dec 2022

25/11—Christmas Fair

29/11—New Parent Tours 6.00-7.30pm

29/11— Owls Trip to Wakehurst/ Wreath Making

30/11—Foxes Trip to Batemans/Wreath Making

2/12- Choir Late Night Shopping

Parent Coffee Morning

Thursday 1st December 9.15-10.15 am at East Hoathly - there will be a short presentation from Mrs Leahy (Inclusion Manager/SENCO) on how we use The Thrive Approach and Zones of Regulation in school to support behaviour and emotional regulation. Parents from all Pioneer schools are welcome.

<u>Changes to Key Stage 2 Dates</u>

An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on <u>Monday 8 May 2023</u>. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary. Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper
- Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

Weekly update!

Let's find out what our classes have

been up to.

Hedgehogs- Diwali & Anti-bullying week

As part of our topic, 'Lets Celebrate', the

children in Hedgehogs class have spent the last two

weeks talking about the festival of Diwali! We have created our own Rangoli patterns and worked as a whole class to

create a story map of the story of Rama and Sita.

For Anti-bullying week, we had

class circle times about what it means to be kind and how we can be better friends to everyone. We came together

> with our odd socks to create a kindness wall within the classroom. The children have been adding messages of kindness to each other.







Squirrels class update

In Science, Squirrel Class have been

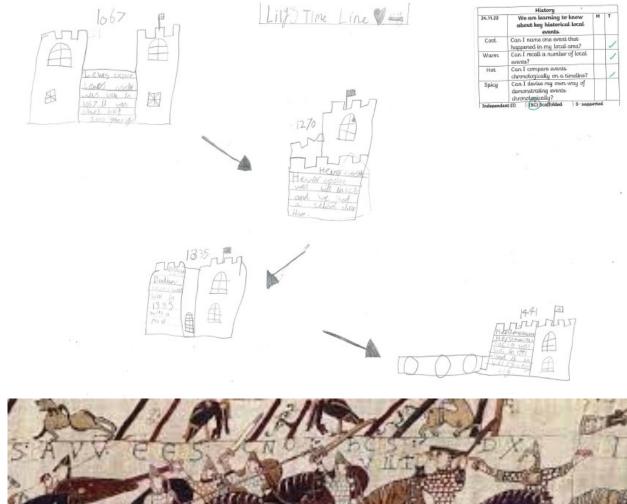
exploring animals. First they sorted animals into babies and adults. Next, they matched them into pairs. Later, they learnt about different animal groups and saw if they could put the animals in the correct category.





<u>Foxes class update</u>

This week during History, foxes class were learning about timelines. We thought about Historical events that have happened in our local area up to 1,000 years ago. We compared the events chronologically and created our own timeline to represent these events.





<u>Owls Class</u>

Cross-country competition

On Wednesday the 16th of November, a group of children from Owls class went to Chiddingly Primary School for a Cross-Country competition. They braved the mud and rain, and showed great perseverance with their sportsmanship! Well done to Sara, Myla, Orlaith, Danny, Sam, Samuel, Paddy, Hugo D and Herbie. Some of these children did so well and have qualified into the South Downs area competition in January.





This week Nursery enjoyed exploring number shapes to 5 and making paint prints with them.





Owls and foxes looked at the child friendly anti-bullying policy and considered the different sections with in it. Then we had a go at creating our own child friendly anti-bullying poster or policy. Above is Myla's (Year 5), she considered the do's and don'ts of bullying and also who you ask for help if you need it.

In Squirrels class for anti -bullying week , we thought about how someone might feel if they were being bullied. Next, we thought about how we could be kind and caring friends.





Last week was Foxes turn to go to Forest School...

Foxes all managed to climb onto the turtle mound on the journey. On the way to the woods the children spotted some holly leaves and berries, found some acorns; some of which had turned pink and started sprouting shoots to grow into oak trees. The children then had a go at putting up the hammock independently after listening to instructions. It was great fun swinging in the rain. Then there was time to explore and play in the woodland. There was some excellent turn taking and balancing on the slack line. It was great to see the children taking risks and challenging themselves with working out how to balance, how to work out the best way of moving along the line carefully and how to take turns and share the space with each other,





This week was Owl's turn for Forest school. We had a brilliant time; we did some music in the woods, played a great game and also did some exploring. Below you can see Stan's and Alexandra's (Year 6) write up about the morning.





On Friday 18th of November, East Hoathly pupils had a great time raising money for Children in Need. We had a colouring competition, well done to Caiden in Owls, Stanley in Foxes, Charlie in Squirrels, Elena in Hedgehogs and Ivy in Nursery for their winning Pudsey's.

We also had a talent show in which many children showcased their amazing skills, see the photos below. Finally, we had a brilliant bake sale after school, thank you for all your support!





Values Certificates

This Week:

Hedgehogs—George Squirrels Class— Arienne Fox Class— Connor Owl Class— Joseph Friday 2nd December Hedgehogs— Elena Squirrels Class— Dylan Fox Class— Jacob Owl Class— Hugo C

Truth

Wisdom

<u>Friday 9th December:</u> Hedgehogs—Finn Squirrels Class— Charlie Fox Class— Ollie G Owl Class— Hugo D

Strength

Headteachers Awards

Albie Leo

Dates for your Diary 2022/2023
Nov 2022
29/11 —New Parent Tours 6.00-7.30pm
30/11 —Wreath Making
<u>Dec 2021</u>
5/12—Nativity Dress Rehearsals
7/12 —1.30pm & 6pm Nativity Perfor- mance
10-11/12—FPTA Village Elf Hunt
14/12—FGB Meeting 5-7pm
16/12 —Christingle Service 2pm/ Last Day of Term 2
<u>Jan 2022</u>
3/1-INSET
4/1 —Term 3 starts
<u>Feb 2022</u>
8/2 —Safer Internet Day
9/2—FGB Meeting 5-7pm
10/2—Last day of Term 3
20/2 —Term 4 starts
<u>March 2022</u>
2/3—World Book Day
7/3—Parent Consultations
9/3—Parent Consultations
27/3—FGB Meeting
31/3—Easter Service/Last day of Term

<u>April 2022</u>

17/4—Term 5 starts

<u>May 2022</u>

1/5—May Bank Holiday

8/5—Coronation Bank Holiday

9/5—SATs week

16/5—FGB Meeting

 ${\bf 26/5-}$ Sports Day and Picnic / Last day of Term 5

<u>Jun 2022</u>

5/6-INSET

6/6—Term 6 starts

<u>Jul 2022</u>

11/7—Summer Production Dress

Rehearsal

12/7—FGB Meeting

13/7—Summer Production Performance 1.30pm & 6pm

14/7—Reports out to parents

17/7—Parent Consultation for Reports

20/7—Leavers Service/Last day of Term

21/7-INSET



UPDATES FROM THE FPTA FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Saturday 26th November - Baby 2 Baby and beyond Nearly New Sale - 10am - 1pm -Uckfield Civic Centre - The FPTA will be holding a stall selling 2nd hand items, including toys, books, clothes, school uniform and more. If you have any items, you wish to donate for us to sell please speak to Amy McGowan or Ami Brown.

Tuesday 29th November 7:30pm,

Wednesday 30th November 2:30pm and 7:30pm - Wreath Making Workshops -East Hoathly Village Hall - £25pp (which includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie and all the equipment you need to make your own wreath). Please book with Emma by emailing <u>fpta@easthoathly.e-sussex.sch.uk</u> - a really fun and festive event!

Saturday 10th December and Sunday 11th December - Elf Hunt - East Hoathly Village -The elves will be getting up to mischief around the village again. We have reduced the price this year to make it more accessible for families. It will be £3 per child or 2 for £5 and each child receives a gift and a map to help in hunting the elves around the village. There is also a prize draw to win a family day out. To be part of the prize draw maps need to be returned to Emma at 1 Nightingales by Monday 12th December 4pm. It would be really helpful if you could pre-book your map asap so we know how many to get printed. They will then be given out on Thursday & Friday in the week of the Elf Hunt. To book (or if you want to display an elf in your window) please contact Emma, Amy M or Ami B.

Many thanks as always, The FPTA





