

East Hoathly C.E Primary School & Nursery

Church Marks Lane, East Hoathly, Lewes BN8 6EQ



NEWSLETTER



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Dear East Hoathly Families,

It has been a busy start to Term 5, with our Awe & Wonder day last week and our fantastic food workshops with Chartwells today. The children have returned back to school and have got stuck into their new topics and I can't wait to see how their learning evolves this term. We hope you have a restful three day weekend and wish lots of luck to anyone going to the FPTA Quiz this evening.

Kind regards,

Sheridan Whythe

Acting Head of School



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.

FPTA Upcoming

Events

- 28 April:** Quiz Night (Disco after-party)
6 May: Village Coronation Event (pm)
21 May: Fun Run
23 June: Farmers Market

Key Dates

Term 5

- 1/5**—May Bank Holiday
2/5—Class Photos
6/5—Village Coronation Event
8/5—Coronation Bank Holiday
9/5—SATs week

Breakfast Club

We would like to gauge interest in starting a 'Breakfast Club' from 7.45-8.40 Monday-Friday in term time starting from September 2023.

If you would be interested, please click on the link below. Please note this is a consultation at this stage.

[Click here for Google Form](#)



Letter Sent Home

This Week

- All** - Class Photos
All - Coronation Lunch
All - Choir Performances
Year 5/6 - Residential reminder letter and kit list - Please note the next instalment is due 09/05
Year 6 - Leavers Hoodies
Year 5/6 - Weald & Downland Living Museum



Upcoming Forest School Dates

- Foxes** - Wednesday 3rd May
Nursery - Wednesday 10th May
Owls - Wednesday 17th May
Hedgehogs - Wednesday 24th May

Extra Curricular Achievements

Molly & Grace Cheer Leading

Molly and Grace are part of Spirit Elite Cheer Squad in Uckfield.

On Saturday 1st April they competed with the Youth Level One Competitive Cheer Squad and placed 1st out of 6 at a competition in Crawley. Well done girls we are all very proud of you!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Awe & Wonder Day - Vision & Values

We held a Vision and Values focused Awe & Wonder Day where we looked at the biblical theology behind our school vision. We started by thinking about the bible passage in which it states: "With God all things are possible" Matthew 19:36 and how this encourages us to think about God's teachings and values.

The children were then split into key stage groups to rotate around different workshops which would encourage us to think about the stories behind our values and how the messages within these can impact on our everyday lives.

Nursery also took part in the day, spending time learning about our value of love, the story of the Good Samaritan, and how he helped others. They acted out the story and thought about being good friends.

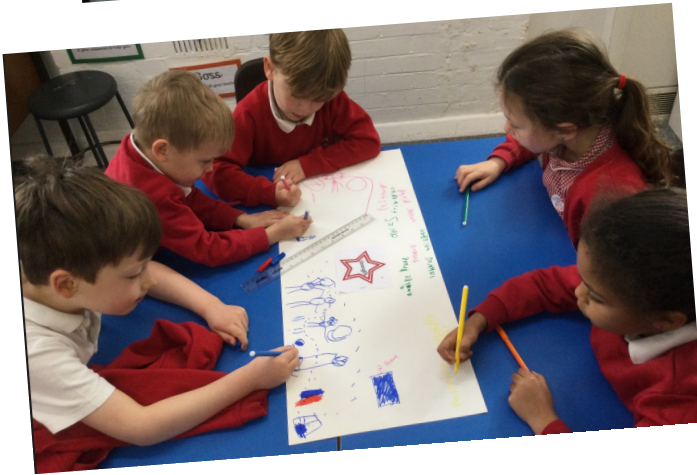
In the art workshop the children created art pieces centred around each of the values. Each group focused on a different value, discussing the story from which it came, what it meant to the children as individuals and how we might show it within our community. We then experimented with different techniques to create our masterpieces!

In another group, we considered the value of Wisdom. We read the story 'Soloman asks God for Wisdom.' Then we talked about the different ways we use our knowledge and wisdom in everyday life.

When we focused on the value of strength through the story of Ruth. We learnt how Ruth persevered and showed the value of strength by staying with her mother in law Naomi. The children collated words that mean 'strength'. They then used these words to create acrostic poetry for the words Ruth and strength.

Father Jeremy also ran a workshop helping us to think about how we are the stones that build our path and our road in life. The children created their own stone gift, sharing the strengths that they each bring and give to our school community. This helped them to think about the path they are taking and what they contribute.





Attendance

The Pioneer Federation goal is an average attendance rate of 97%, recognising that each school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development. It is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts on their progress. Attendance for this week is:

Whole school: 95.1%

Year: 94.9%

Hedgehogs: 96.4% Squirrels: 89.6%

Foxes: 95% Owls: 99.3%

Well done, Owls Class!

Less than 94.9% - Red

95 to 96.4% - Amber

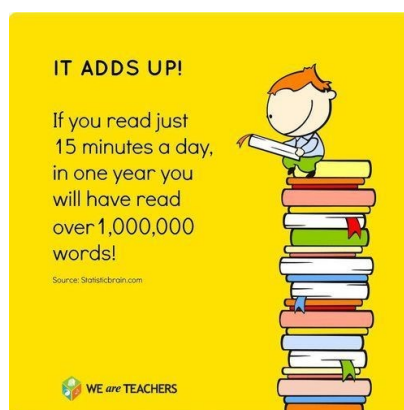
96.5 to 99.9% - Green

100% - Gold



Reading

Reading at Home Reading is a vital skill for life. It not only supports knowledge and experiences but also allows us to increase our confidence and understanding in many aspects of our lives. Helping children to make progress in reading is most successful when it is done in partnership between home and school. We ask that children read at home 3 times across the week and should then be recorded in children's reading books. Each week, classes will be adding up their reads at home and these will be celebrated in celebration assembly on a Friday. The class with the most combined reads will received a Mystery Read Reward—this might be a 'mystery reader to read their end of day story or a new class reading book!





News from Nursery



This week in Nursery we have been looking at making rainbows and talking about the weathering changing. We made our own bridges to cross the river after looking at the billy goats gruff story. Practiced their fine motor skills by buttering their own bread for snack time, wrote our own shopping lists and then went shopping in the garden for what they needed. Finally they made their own Humpty Dumpties where they folded his legs and then built a wall for him to fall off during the song.



Hedgehogs Class

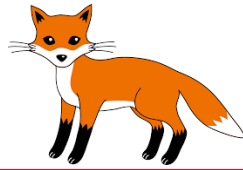


Over the past two weeks in Hedgehog's class we received another exciting delivery from our friend Walt the Wizard! This time he gave us some magic beans, along with the story of Jasper's beanstalk. After sharing the story we wrote lists about what our beans needed in order to grow, then planted them outside! We continued by looking at the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and talked about where we thought our beans might end up growing to!

We also created our own little growing space in our outside area where we planted rainbow carrots, peas, and chives- we can't wait until they begin to grow! We have also been talking about the food we need to keep our bodies healthy, what things we might need more of and things we might need only a small amount of. We then combined this with our mathematical knowledge of repeating patterns to make our own fruit kebabs! We also took part in a food workshop with Chartwells where we used different vegetables to create our own rainbow caterpillars to eat.



Starfish Malawi



Chris from Starfish Malawi visited Foxes and Owls this week. He thanked us for our recent fundraising efforts and spent time discussing the charity further. The children were captivated by Chris's stories about the school in Malawi. Foxes learnt the starfish Malawi song and were reminded about where the idea of the name *starfish* comes from. We looked at where Malawi is on the globe. We discussed why it is so much warmer there than Britain. It was noticed that Malawi is close to The Equator. The children were then able to link this to their previous learning about The Amazon Rainforest."





Squirrels Forest School April 26 th 2023

The Squirrels class had a go at planting some tree saplings along the fence line of the school field. They planted a hawthorn, silver birch and rowan tree. They looked closely at the structure of the saplings; noticing the complexity of the roots and how leaves were emerging from the shoots on the trees small trunks. They had a great time digging holes for the saplings. The class found lots of worms and even a small snake in the soil. This inspired some children to create a small bug hotel in the corner of the field. Once the saplings and plants were planted, the children spent lots of time watering them.

We discovered lots of bindweed, which is really fast growing and invasive and would cover the fruit bushes planted in he growing area, so the Squirrels class spent lots of time removing it and making the growing space tidy.

Each of the children had a diagram of plants and had a go at drawing how the water is drawn up from the roots and how the food created in the leaves from sunlight is passed around the plants. Some of the children had a go at making some rubbings of wood with paper and wax crayons.

This term Squirrel Class' topic is all about growing and plants, so the children took care to spot how the environment has started growing this spring. They walked to the woods and they identified blossom bluebells, violets, celandines and wood anemone flowers.

Once in the woods the children each chose a 'sit spot' and spent 5 minutes sitting quietly whilst listening to the sounds of nature. They talked about the importance of not playing in amongst the bluebells as they are flowering, to preserve them. There was time to all climb up on the dinosaur tree, where the children showed great agility and risk taking.

Well done Squirrels class and again a huge thank you to the parent volunteers who came and supported the children so fantastically.





Forest
School



Values Certificates

Friday 5th May:

Hedgehogs Class - Elena

Squirrels Class - Koko

Fox Class - Emily

Owl Class - Ashton

Friday 12th May:

Hedgehogs Class - Finn

Squirrels Class - Edith

Fox Class - Alex B

Owl Class - Delilah S



Headteachers Awards

Jake F

Samuel

Hugo C

Beatrice

Golden Broom

Hedgehogs Class



WELL DONE!

Dates for your Diary 2022/2023

April 2022

28/4—Quiz Night

May 2022

1/5—May Bank Holiday

2/5—Class Photos

6/5—Village Coronation Event

8/5—Coronation Bank Holiday

9/5—SATs week

16/5—FGB Meeting

21/5—Family Fun Run

22/5—24/5—Y5/6 Residential

26/5—Sports Day and Picnic / Last day of Term 5

Jun 2022

5/6—INSET

6/6—Term 6 starts

23/6—Farmers Market

Jul 2022

11/7—Summer Production Dress Rehearsal

12/7—FGB Meeting

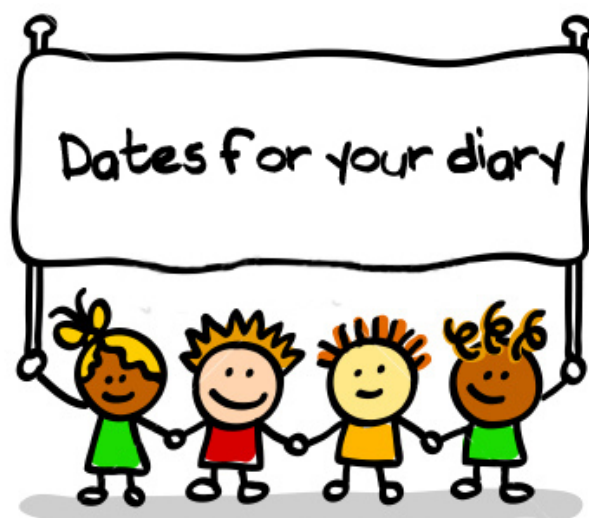
13/7—Summer Production Performance
1.30pm & 6pm

14/7—Reports out to parents

17/7—Parent Consultation for Reports

20/7—Leavers Service/Last day of Term 6

21/7—INSET





Welcome PARENTS AND CARERS

PARENT AND CARER COFFEE SESSIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING.

Mrs Leahy (inclusion manager and SENCO) and Me and My Mind would like to invite you to join us for a drink and biscuit. Parents and carers from all Pioneer schools are welcome to all sessions!

CONTACT
No booking required.
Any questions, please email:
Mrs Leahy
sleahy@pioneerfederation.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 11/10/22 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - Understanding anxiety
- 15/11/22 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - East Sussex School Health
- 17/11/22 - St Mary's - 9.05 to 10.05 - The Thrive Approach
- 1/12/22 - East Hoathly - 9.15 to 10.15 - The Thrive Approach
- 12/1/23 - St Marys - 9.05 to 10.05am - Open for Parents (Triple P)
- 24/1/23 - Park Mead - 2 to 3pm - Education Support, Behaviour and Attendance Service (ESBAS)
- 3/3/23 - Chiddingly - 2.15 to 3.15
- 21/3/23 - Park Mead - 9.15 to 10.15 - Education Support, Behaviour and Attendance Service (ESBAS)
- 25/4/23 - St Marys - 2 to 3pm - Open for Parents (Triple P)
- 16/5/23 - Park Mead - 9.15 to 10.15 - Adult Mental Health Week
- 15/6/23 - St Marys - 9.05 to 10.05am - Open for Parents (Triple P)
- 4/7/23 - Park Mead - 9.15 to 10.15 - Enjoying the summer holidays



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EAST HOATHLY FAMILY FUN RUN

East Hoathly Pavilion

8am registration opens

10am 5km and 10km races

11am 1km race followed by prize giving

Refreshments available

Bouncy castle (subject to weather)

Medal for every finisher

Entry fees:

1km race: £5 any age

5km race: £5 for under 16s,
£9 early bird discount* or £10 on
the day for age 16+

10km race: £9 early bird
discount*, £10 on the day



21st
May
2023

Follow us on Facebook:
East Hoathly Family Fun Run

Raising funds for East Hoathly Primary
School and Nursery FPTA
Registered Charity Number: 1089642

East Hoathly farmers Market

23 JUNE, 3.30-5.30
SCHOOL PLAYGROUND



OPEN TO ALL

COME AND SUPPORT
LOCAL PRODUCE MAKERS
SMALL BUSINESSES
AND YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

