



# In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2024 Week 8



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Dear all,

This week Year 6, Miss Chatfield, Mr Cauthery and Mrs Mace have been away on their Residential to Bentley Copse. I am confident the children have been amazing ambassadors for the school during their stay. They have had great fun once the most integral part of the trip was revealed, that's right what was on the menu! The children have enjoyed Nerf fights, climbing, axe throwing, archery and much more. Hopefully parents/carers will have a restful weekend with the children recovering

but I am not holding out much hope.

Back in school, the children have been continuing their learning in the classroom and the children in Year 1 and 2 have been doing their Phonics Screening and showing all the hard work they have put in this year. Additionally, Year 2 have been taking the optional Key Stage One SATs. We have been so proud of them

and the way they have worked through the tests. In Year 4, all the children have been showing their multiplication skills. Again, the children have done themselves proud with their work ethic.

I am sure you are all aware the Euros start today so the children have taken part in their very own 'Hamsey Euros'. The Key Stage One tournament was such a nail biter with only one goal between the teams and the final going down to penalties. Despite having the edge in the game, Murphy Class held on and were victorious in penalties. In Key Stage Two the classes all fought their hardest to make it to the finals, however in the end Pullman Class were the champions. Congratulations to the respective teams for their achievement.



Miss Walker and Mrs Key have had a great turn out for their lunch time club on Tuesday—Thursday. Children across all year groups have been playing games with each other role modelling our Nurturing School Value. If you think your child would benefit from them remind them to go along to After School Club. All of Reception have been taking their lunch in the main hall this week and their good behaviour has been noticed by members of staff.

Next week, we are looking forward to Acropad workshops throughout Monday and Tuesday and also two aspiring athletes who represent Team GB will be in on Wednesday to run workshops with each class so the children are in for a real treat!



On behalf of Mrs Mace and Hamsey Green I wish you all an enjoyable weekend!

## Upcoming SUMMER TERM 2 Events

**10th –14th June**– Year 4 MCT and Year 1 Phonics Check

**17th-21st June** National Sports Week– Acropad in & Olympic Athletes (more info to come)

**19th June**—Year 4 to British Wildlife Centre (letter to follow)

**21st June**—Croydon High Production of Jason and the Argonauts to KS2

**25th & 26th June** Year 7 Warlingham Secondary Transition Days for year 6

**28th June**—INSET day

**1st July**– District Sports Field Events– selected children (letters to follow)

**4th July**—District Sports Track Events—selected children (letters to follow)

**5th July**– Swimming Gala– selected children (letters to follow)

**8th July– 9.00am** Year 5 Assembly

**8th July– 1.45pm** Reception Assembly

**9th July– 9am** Year 2 Assembly

**9th July– 1.45pm** Year 4 Assembly

**10th July– 8.45-10.00am** Reception Sports Day **10.00-10.30 am** Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

**10th July– 10.15-11.30pm** KS1 Years 1&2 Sports Day **11.30-12.00** pm KS1 Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

**10th July– 1.15PM-2.30pm** KS2 Sports Day **2.30-2.50 pm** KS1 Parents can bring a snack to share with their children afterwards (more info to come)

**11th July– 9am** Year 3 Assembly

**12th July– 9am** Year 1 Assembly

**12th July—1.30pm** class swap. New Reception children coming in **3pm** Meet the new teacher

**12th July EVENING** KS2 Camp Night (more info to come)

**17th July**—Diabetes Screening (sign up letter sent)

**17th July 9am**– Wednesday Rock Steady Concert

**19th July 9am**– Friday Rock Steady Concert

**19th July**– reports out

**19th July—Rec– Year6 3-4.15pm** Summer Festival (more info to come)

**22nd July– 3pm** PTA preloved uniform sale in hall

**22nd July 6pm** Year 6 Leavers Play

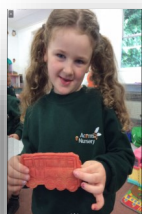
**25th July 11am** Acorns Leavers Graduation

**25th July 12pm**—Acorns finish for summer

**26th July** MUFTI DAY YEARS R-5

**26th July 9am** Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

**26th July SCHOOL CLOSES 1.05** RECEPTION **1.10** KS1 & KS2 **4PM** AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



This week, we have focused our topic of transport around buses and coaches. The children have really enjoyed playing in our newly created role-play bus area, where the children have taken on different roles such as the bus driver, the payment enforcer, or a passenger. They had a contactless payment prop on the bus which the children have had fun using, along with roleplay payment cards and zip cards. We also had a bus stop area where the children stood, waiting for their turn to come aboard the bus!

The children have enjoyed sharing their experiences of being on a bus and we have talked about different destinations where a bus might go.

The children got a chance to make bus biscuits in the hut and have also been creative by making buses out of various mediums and construction resources.

Our math focus this week has been around subitising, to see if the children know the amount of objects/toys in front of them without counting them through various play activities.

We have also been encouraging lots of mark making opportunities, using shaving foam, pens, water and brushes, key-boards and spray bottles.

We've also had great fun learning the Makaton signs for all the vehicles in our Talk for Writing story "The journey home from Grandpa's".



Please can we ask adults to supervise any children at the start and end of the day—children should not be climbing any of the outdoor play equipment. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Absences, medical appointments & sickness

If your child is absent from school or has a medical appointment, please email [absence@hamseytlt.co.uk](mailto:absence@hamseytlt.co.uk) or leave a message on the absence line (01883 622000 option 1). Please let us know their full name, class and reason; including any symptoms they may be displaying. We do need to hear from an adult **each day** a child is absent for safeguarding reasons. Please do not bring your child to school if they have been sick during the night. If your child has been sick or has an upset stomach, children may be off school for 48 hours following the last episode, each case is dealt with separately.

Thank you for your co-operation.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk) Please read this guidance before keeping your child off.

### Attendance

1st place:	Inkpen [R] 98.8%
2nd place:	Kinney (3) 97.4%
3rd place:	Donaldson (1) 96.7%
Whole school:	94.35%

### Communication this week

10.06.2024—Email to Year 3 Rowing arrangements

13.06.2024—Email to whole school with uniform order cut off date from Price & Buckland



### Collection of Hamsey Green children by older siblings

Please be reminded that children can only be collected by someone over the age **16**; unless we have been given written permission from a parent for those in Years 5 and 6 to leave without an adult.

### After school activities

If your child is not going to be attending an after school activity but has been in school that day, please can you inform the office and not the class teacher. The office maintains the registers for all clubs and needs to be aware of any child who is not going to be in attendance. Thank you.



Children should not be using their scooters or bikes through the staff car park, please go through the main playground area to enter or leave the school premises. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Parking & Road Safety

We have been made aware of some inconsiderate parking and unacceptable behaviour/language towards our neighbours at drop off and pick up times. **Please park**

**considerately around the neighbouring properties to the school.** According to the Highway Code it is an offence to park across driveways and it is illegal to park over dropped kerbs. Parking on a private driveway without consent is a civil offence of trespass and may result in prosecution.

A number of parents have raised concerns regarding speeding traffic on Tithepit Shaw Lane at drop off and collection times. **Please complete the road safety assessment form for Surrey to assess the road.** We would recommend this is done as we return to school after half term to ensure they come when school is back in business. [Select the option most like the issue - Report a highway issue - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](#) - please select Road Safety Outside a School. Should anyone be interested, there is a vacancy for Road Crossing Patrol for outside the school. This is a paid vacancy through Surrey County Council.



The cost of school meals will be increasing from 1 September 2024 to £2.80 per meal.



### Healthy pack lunches

We've noticed that some of the pack lunches coming into school are not necessarily healthy or nutritious. Please can you ensure that what you send in is enough to keep them going for their afternoon lessons.

**Please remember we are a nut free school—this includes spreads that may contain nuts.**

A Guide to Building...

## Healthy Snacks & Lunchbox

P2iP

Bring **WATER** everyday!

Putting tap water in a reusable bottle is FREE and will help keep your child hydrated all day!



### Whole Grains

Make sandwiches with whole grain bread. Look for labels that say "100% Whole Grain"

Pack healthy snacks each day. Add a healthy sweet or savory treat. Try whole grain crackers and pretzels for savory snacks or dried fruits for sweet treats.

### Snacks

### Fruit

Pack fresh fruit each day for snack and lunch. These are easy, convenient ways to add fruits to your day

Add veggies in your child's lunch. They add a healthy crunch instead of chips.

### Veggies



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

**CAN YOU SPARE A HOUR OR SO A WEEK? COULD YOU OFFER TIME TO HEAR SOME CHILDREN READ OR HELP KEEP OUR LIBRARY TIDY! IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE WHO WILL MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOU WITH MRS MACE TO DISCUSS HOW TO BE A VOLNTEER. PLEASE NOTE- A DBS WILL NEED TO BE APPLIED FOR UNDER OUR SAFEGUARDING EXPECTATIONS.**

We are collecting used printer ink cartridges. Please bring them and put them into the recycling box in the office. We are unable to recycle toner or laser cartridges. Any cartridges recycled, helps the school to raise some money. Thank you!

**Recycle 4 Charity**



We are regularly asked by parents, carers, grandparents and friends of the school as to how you can support the school to continue to provide a rich, wide-ranging curriculum and a high standard of education. If you would like and are able, to support the school and your child's education, please buy one of the books on our Amazon wishlist. This will arrive at school a few days later and be added to the children's non-fiction book box or class library.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3GIZF85XRY4MG?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3GIZF85XRY4MG?ref=wl_share)



### School Uniform

We are depleting our school stock of uniform. Please check to see what items of uniform you may need and please order through us in the first instance. Anything that is unavailable through us, please purchase through Price and Buckland directly. Price and Buckland will refer you back to us if it's stock that we hold. <https://price-buckland.co.uk/school-finder/?school-search=Hamsey+Green+Primary+School>

Please be aware that any items ordered through Price & Buckland to be delivered to the school will take longer than if you pay for p&p for home delivery. **Prices will be increasing from 1st April.**

**Please name your child's school uniform and coats. We have a lot of unnamed uniform in our lost property box!**

FOR CHARITY



£491.51 Royal British Legion

£193 + £300 Red Nose Day

£190.94 NSPCC Number Day

£223 Save the Children

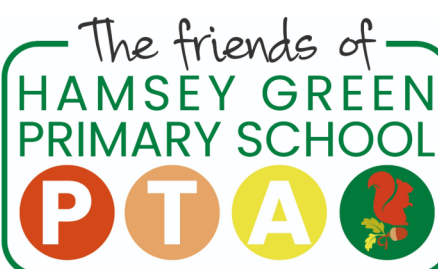
£232 Children in Need

£310 Macmillan Coffee Morning

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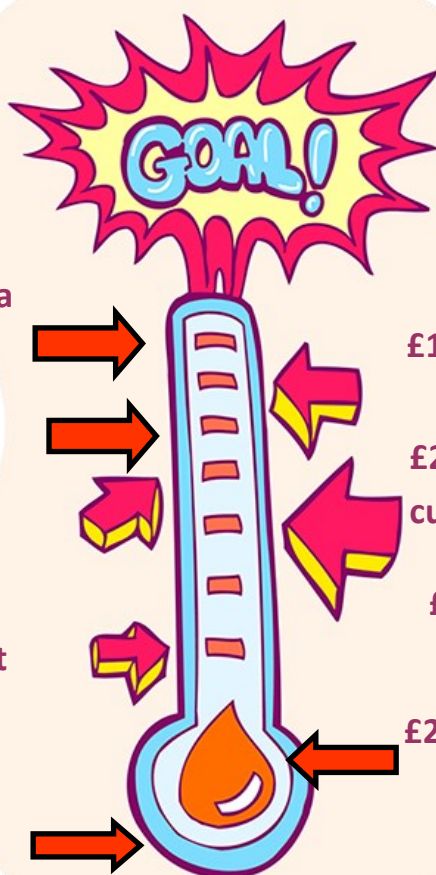
£ 115 Breakfast with a  
loved one Event

£ 581 February Event

£128.00 Penny Wars

£947.30 Winter Event

£629 Autumn Event



£169.70 Easter Raffle

£273.57 Christmas Cards,  
cups and tea towels

£1,585 Christmas Fair

£2,100 Sponsored Bounce

These fantastic amounts that have been raised has enabled us to be able to order a road safety sign for the end of the drive and finish purchasing bookcases for the remaining areas that do not have them.

**FOR NEWSLETTER FOR ALL PARENTS FROM SCHOOLS**

If you consider that there are exceptional circumstances relating to your request, please let the school have full details. Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis.

**Penalty Notices to Address Poor Attendance at School**

A Penalty Notice may be issued as an alternative to the prosecution of a parent/carer for their child's unauthorised absence from school (absence without the agreement of the school or not covered by a medical note) and will be used by Surrey County Council in the following circumstances :-

1. Pupils identified by police and Attendance Advice Officers (formerly Education Welfare Officers) engaged on Truancy Patrols and who have incurred unauthorised absences.
2. Leave of absence in term time (5 days or 10 sessions or more).

**Please be aware that The Education (Pupil Registration)(England)(Amendment) Regulations 2013, which became law on 01 September 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.**

**The Headteacher is also required to determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.**

In such cases the Headteacher/Governing Body must decide whether there are exceptional circumstances. They may request that Surrey County Council issue Penalty Notices when the absence is not authorised.

Warnings will not be given where it can be shown that parents have been notified that such absences will not be authorised.

3. Finally, the issuing of a Penalty Notice will also be considered where it is judged that a parent is failing to ensure their child's regular school attendance.

This will be considered when a pupil has incurred 10 or more unauthorised sessions in the previous 10 school weeks, which may include a pupil arriving late after close of registration.

If you believe at any stage that your child's absence from school may leave you liable to receive a Penalty Notice, it is extremely important that you act without delay to secure their regular attendance.

If you have any questions or require further support to achieve an improvement in your child's attendance, please contact your child's school or the Attendance Advice Officer.

**Penalty Notice relating to Exclusions**

If a child is excluded from school, Section 103 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 places a duty on parents/carers to ensure that their child is not in a public place without justifiable cause during school hours.

This duty applies to the **first five days of each exclusion**. Failure to do so will render the parent/carer liable to a Penalty Notice. (Alternative education provision will be made available from the sixth day of any exclusion.)

**Amount Payable for a Penalty Notice and Consequences for repeat unauthorised absences**

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children [in a rolling 3 year period](#) since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

**Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.**

Advice and support is available from an Attendance Advice Officer by contacting Surrey Attendance Service as follows :-

North West - Tel: 01483 518130    South West - Tel: 01483 517179  
North East - Tel: 01372 833588    South East - Tel: 01737 737777