



Hamsey Green
Primary School



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2021 Week 12



Dear Parents & Carers,

The count down to Christmas at Hamsey Green has officially begun! The tree is up and decorations are hanging in the corridors! The Children are balancing their topic based learning with Christmas Productions that are right around the corner.

Last week we had two hugely successful mufti days, raising a fantastic £242 for Children in Need and lots of bottles for our school fair raffle, so we thank you all for your generosity.



The Christmas Fair is on the 4th December 11am—2pm; and on top of selling all the amazing enterprise products your wonderfully talented children have been making, we have been lucky enough to secure a Pizza van for the fair. They are called 'Napoli on



Wheels' and will be based on the playground selling delicious pizzas!

On Friday, the children saw a face they had not seen in some time and they were able to present what they had been doing in their year groups to the surprise guest.....Mrs Mace! The winner of the best product was a tough one, with such high competition; but eventually it was decided that Year 5 were the winners.

There have been so many great things this week but, there was also a terrifying incident that happened with Year 5. After spending their time in forest schools, the teachers were informed that it was left in a completely unpleasant mess. The Year 5 pupils were taken back to tidy it but found the mess was not theirs but of a terrifying creature that had left ripped clothing hanging from trees, animal bones and blood splatter all over the forest floor. Unfortunately, the beast had not left and terrorised the brave Year 5 pupils as it skulked around the trees! Keep your eyes out for the hideous Hamsey Beast!



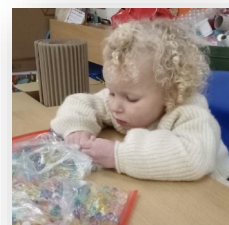


This week, we have enjoyed various different investigation based activities.

We have used pipettes to colour foam; made moving pictures with foil and had lots of fun taking part in a volcano experiment.

We have been exploring magnets, seeing what things are magnetic in the nursery; as well as mark making in paint and investigating water beads too.

We also had our first parent's evening since opening this week. It was a really successful evening reflecting on the progress the children have made, with lots of positive feedback for the



Parking

We have been made aware that some of our families have recently received penalty notices for parking outside the school. Penalty notices are issued by the Council and we are unfortunately unable to comment or advise on this issue. The zig zag lines are marked clearly as are the times where parking is not allowed on these markings. **Please park considerably around the neighbouring properties to the school. We have had some complaints recently, of inconsiderate parking at drop off and pick up times for school and other activities.** We do have slightly staggered starting times to help alleviate this issue. Thank you for your assistance.



Upcoming events

- Reception 2022 parent tours Wednesdays
- Monday 29th Nov Yr 6 health screen
- Tuesday 30th Nov Yr 3 Greek day
- **Wednesday 1st December Elves.....**
- Saturday 4th December—Christmas Fair
- w/c Monday 5th December—Christmas events amended (please see table on page 3)
- Friday 17th December—End of term early finish



Communication this week

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Attendance:

1st place: Morpurgo (6) 100%
2nd place: Butterworth [R] 96.8%
3rd place: Kinney (3) 96.4%

Whole school: 94.2%

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 its 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.

Christmas events

Tuesday 7th December	Wednesday 8th December	Tuesday 14th December	Wednesday 15th December (new date added)
Reception (9am)	Yr1 & 2 (9am)	Yr3 & 4 (9am)	Yr5 & 6 (9:15am)
Yr3 & 4 (10.30am)	Reception (1.30pm)	Yr5 & 6 (1.45pm)	
Yr1 & 2 (1.30pm)			

School Dinners

If you have booked a school dinner and then send in a packed lunch for your child/ren. Please can you advise the office that you no longer require it. Thank you.

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!



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

COVID testing

Schools are being encouraged to ask their community to continue to regularly test using lateral flow tests. They can be ordered online [here](#).

If you have secondary school aged children: Based on recent UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA, formally PHE) advice. We have been advised to encourage students or staff **identified as contacts** in secondary schools to also test daily on a lateral flow device until they receive their PCR test result.

Surrey Family Learning are offering free online courses.

Enrolments for ONLINE courses starting in November and December are now open. We have plenty of courses to help support families. All Family Learning courses are FREE and can support:

- Parenting
- Wellbeing
- Managing anxiety
- Understanding children's behaviour
- Getting to grips with maths and phonics
- English for parents/carers as an additional language

Please do share this email with friends and families so that they can take advantage of our free resources. Spaces are limited so we do encourage parents and carers to sign up early. There is further course information on our [website](#) and this link <https://mailchi.mp/f40867b163e4/family-learning-733532>.

