



Hamsey Green
Primary School



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Spring Term 2022 Week 3



Dear All

This week I have had the delight of mostly teaching Inkpen class whilst Mrs Jordan and Mrs Booker recover, so apologies if I have not managed to see you all as much in the playground. I have been so impressed at how adaptable the children have been and they have been especially nurturing to all the adults who have come in to support them, I am also very grateful to all the teachers and TAs who have stepped in to help. The children have been busy learning about the properties of materials linking to the Three Little Pigs by building a stick house in forest school. They also had an exciting end to the week by attending their first whole school Friday Assembly! This week's assembly was about sharing how we can keep safe at school. The School Council fed back to them all eloquently.

Year 3 have been learning about the artist Lowry and I have seen some detailed sketches of his paintings. In forest school the children created stick people to represent the people in his paintings.

We welcomed Miss Marshall returning back from maternity leave on Wednesday. Dodd class were also so very kind and nurturing.

As we continue to strive on building links with our community, on Thursday, Year 4, were extremely lucky to have a golf session with Farleigh Golf Club coaches who came to school. We may be lucky to have the next Rory McIlroy amongst us!! Next week, Year 5, begin rugby lessons with Warlingham Rugby coaches and we are lucky to be able to use Warlingham's brand new all weather court too.

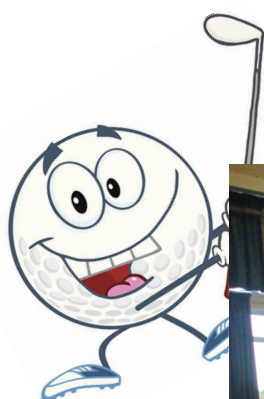
Finally, we appear to also have a rise in Chickenpox cases. Please be vigilant in looking for emerging spots as well as all the Covid-19 symptoms too!

Wishing you all a happy weekend



Mrs Mace

Year 4 Golf





This week, we have been continuing with our story of Handa's Surprise. We have woven our own baskets from paper, took part in animal based music and movement and made our own models of mud hut houses.

We have been story sequencing and have watched an animation of the story too.



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. Some of our nursery parents have also noted parking issues, making it difficult when walking with their young children.** We do have slightly staggered starting times to help alleviate this issue. Thank you for your assistance.



Word of the Week

(KS1) **Tumble**—to fall suddenly

(KS2 Lower) **Plummet**—to fall straight down at high speed

(KS2 Upper) **Hurtle**—to move at high speed without any control

Attendance:

1st place: Rundell (5) - 99.1%
2nd place: Dodd (1) - 97.8%
3rd place: Morpurgo (6) - 97.3%

Whole school: 93.5%

Upcoming events

Communication this week

- Email re NSPCC Number Day—4th February
- 2022/2023 Term dates published on website

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>

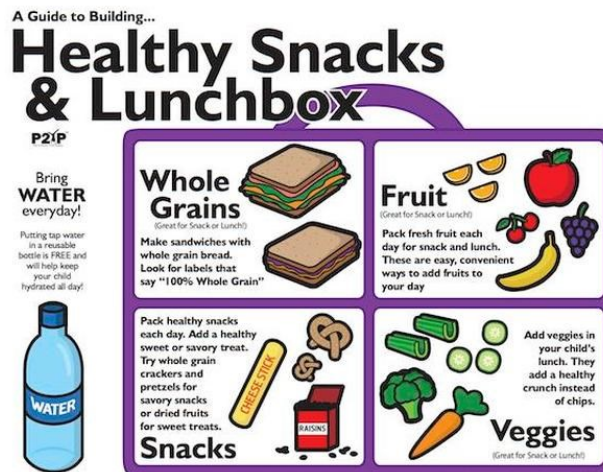
Please be aware that any items ordered through Price & Buckland to be delivered to the school will take longer than if you pay for p&p for home delivery.

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.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/school-lunch-recipes>



Absences & Sickness

If your child is absent from school and you leave a message on our absence line. 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 must be off school for 48 hours following the last episode. Thank you for your co-operation.

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!

Recycle  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

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](#).