

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2025 Week 9

Dear All

A busy four day week! We continued with Sports Week activities, 'kicking off' on Monday with the annual inter-school football tournaments. KS1, LKS2 and UPKS2. Not only was this about football, our school values were required in terms of resilience, collaboration and nurturing! It goes without saying that being optimistic that their class would win was in abundance as well as aspiration to win!

KS1 Winners: MURPHY

Lower KS2 Winners: RASHFORD Upper KS2 Winners: PULLMAN

KS2 have been having swimming trials for the upcoming gala this week too! We are excited that Years 3 & 4 will have entries to the event in a couple of weeks time.

Although Arts week is imminent, some of our classes have started! For Year 2 DT learning this half term, the children

have been learning about making a strong, structure with mechanisms. They have learnt about the history of the Ferris wheel, designed their own and then created them. It is amazing what can be created from of recycled materials! In Year 5 summer two's DT project focuses on Tudor homes. Over the next few weeks they will develop an array of skills including: designing, making and evaluating structures, as well as learning about Tudor building techniques and materials. They will also enhance their understanding of historical context and apply their knowledge to practical construction. Children will need to measure accurately and think about positioning. They will need to find a way of showing cross hatch on a building and most definitely collaboration! We are hoping to inspire the next generation of engineers!

By all accounts, our Year 6s had a fabulous time at Warlingham Secondary induction. They are now gearing up to their end of year show in a few weeks—I know that it will be amazing!

Finally, good luck to all the competitors selected to represent their year group/school in District Sports on Monday and Thursday next week.

Wishing you a lovely weekend!

Mrs Mace





















This week, we have spent the week exploring our Little Wandles book 'Hello Friend'.

We have drawn portraits of our friends using different mediums and we have positively discussed what makes a good friend, what we like about our friends as well as possible actions which might affect these friendships.

We have made friendship bracelets and necklaces, as well as face pizzas and playdough buddies. We have also played lots of turn taking games.

In the Forest School area, we read a story about sharing. The children made friendship flour handprints on the floor and then foraged in the forest school area to find small leaves, sticks and other natural resources to fill the handprint and to make patterns. We have also played circle games on the field under the shaded trees.

Our sound of the week during our Little Wandles Phonics sessions, was "sh" and we have also focused on the song 'hey diddle diddle' in our daily rhyme time sessions.







With the warmer weather now upon us, it's the perfect time to enjoy the great outdoors. Surrey Fire and Rescue Service is encouraging everyone to be 'Wildfire Aware' this season to protect Surrey's beautiful open spaces Wildfire

- Surrey County Council

Communication this week

23.06.2025—Year 2 email regarding school dinners

Emails to individuals regarding:

District sports

Yr5 computing

Camp night

Attendance

1st place: Dahl (4) - 98.7%

2nd place: Butterworth [R] - 97.3%

3rd place: Rashford (4) - 97.2%

Whole school: 90.3% Friday 27th June - Inset day
Tues 1st & Wed 2nd July—Y
Monday 30th June & Thurs 3

Tues 1st & Wed 2nd July—Year 6 transition days at De Stafford

Monday 30th June & Thurs 3rd July- District Sports—selected KS2 pupils

Wednesday 9th July

8.45-10AM REC SPORTS DAY & 10-10.30 SNACK

10.15-11.30 KS1 (YRS 1 & 2) SPORTS DAY & 11.30-12 SNACK

11-12 Acorns Sports Day (pupils only)

1.15-2.30 KS2 (YRS 3-6) SPORTS DAY 2.30-3PM SNACK

Thursday 10th July Class swap/New Reception intake visiting

Friday 11th July Camp night

Friday 11th July 9am Year 3 Showcase Assembly

Friday 11th July 2.15pm Year 5 Showcase Assembly

Monday 14th July – Year 5 to Riddlesdown STEM project

Monday 14th July 9.00am Year 2 Showcase Assembly

Monday 14th July 2.15pm Year 1 Showcase Assembly

Tuesday 15th July 9am Year 4 Showcase Assembly

Tuesday 15th July 2.15pm Reception Showcase Assembly

Wednesday 16th July 9am - Wednesday Rocksteady Group Assembly

Thursday 17th July 2.50 -4.30 (4.20 Rec) Summer Festival -payment on Arbor info to come

Friday 18th July 9am- Friday Rocksteady Group Assembly

Monday 21st July 6-7.30pm Year 6 Leavers Play

Tuesday 22nd July 9am Year 6 parents/carers invited for The Leaver's Assembly

Tuesday 22nd July Time TBC Acorns Graduation, parents/carers invited for The Leaver's Assembly

Tuesday 22nd July Last Day of the Summer term EARLY FINISH 12PM ACORNS, 1.10 REC, 1.15 KS1 & 2.00

ALL CHILDREN TO BE IN SCHOOL UNIFORM

School Dinners

From 1st September 2025 the cost of a hot meal will be increasing to **£2.90**, for children in Years 3-6; unless eligible for free school meals.

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 and 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 maintain the registers for all clubs and need to be aware of any child who is not going to be in attendance. Thank you for your co-operation.

Children should NOT be riding their scooters or bikes through the staff car park, down the driveway or through the playground at the beginning or end of the school day. Please ask the children to dismount and ensure you supervise your children whilst they are on them. Adults have reported some children are riding on the school grounds that is likely to cause an accident or damage to cars. Thank you for your co-operation.

PARKING & ROAD SAFETY

Once again, we have had some phonecalls from neighbouring properties regarding 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.

Absences, medical appointments & sickness

If your child is absent from school or has a medical appointment, please email 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.

To avoid impacting your child's attendance ALL medical/dental/optician appointments should be booked outside of school hours

Thank you for your co-operation.

<u>Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u> Please read this guidance before keeping your child off.



Contact email addresses for your information:

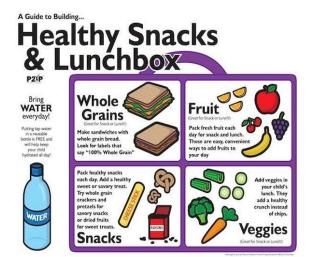
<u>absence@hamseytlt.co.uk</u>—for all absences including sickness and any medical appointments (future and on the day) <u>basc@hamseytlt.co.uk</u>—for all enquiries, bookings and amendments to bookings for wraparound care

office@hamseytlt.co.uk—for all other enquiries

Healthy packed lunches

We've noticed that some of the packed 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 INCLUDING NUTELLA. THIS IS ALSO APPLICABLE FOR ANY EDUCATIONAL TRIPS.



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 VOLNTEEER. 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!



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

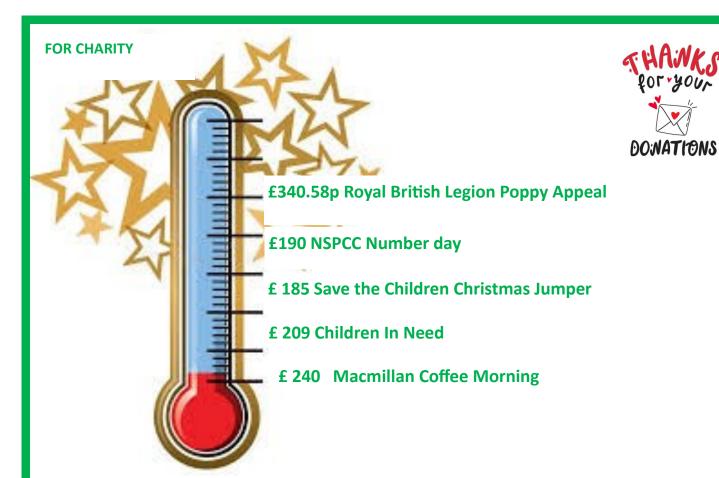


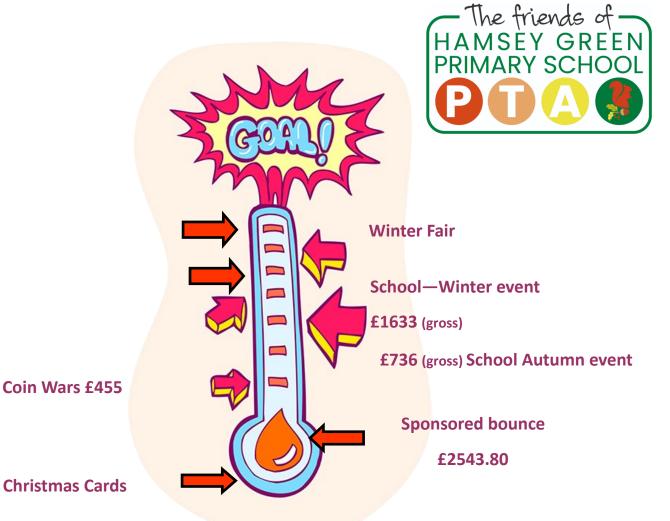
School Uniform

We are depleting our school stock of uniform. We now only stock very small sizes of cardigans. All uniform items are purchased through Price and Buckland directly. Price and Buckland will refer you back to us if it's stock that we hold. Hamsey Green Primary School | Price & Buckland 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.

Order by 1st August for home delivery before start of term.

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





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