



Hamsey Green
Primary School



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2022 Week 6



Dear All

This week in school and nursery, we have been celebrating Feeling Good Week. This event helps teach the children the importance of looking after their own and other people's physical, mental and emotional health. By encouraging our children to work together, build relationships, developing greater empathy and understanding, will help them to positively share how they're feeling and being able to share experiences with others can help encourage positive mental health. Good mental health helps children and young people to develop resilience, which can help them to cope with experiences they may encounter. This is why the resilience value is a very important value to teach. The children have designed posters, discussed who they trust to share their thoughts and feelings with; some have participated in yoga and mindful activities to relieve anxiety.



Our Feeling Good Week began with more exciting baby news-Miss Bishop has had a gorgeous baby boy, named Louis! Mum and baby are well and we look forward to seeing them both! Our week will be ending with baby Harper snuggles as Mr Boffa is going to bring his daughter in to visit us.... Now I just need to find a puppy to cuddle and my week will be content!



On Tuesday, our Year 4's ventured back in time, visiting Butser Ancient Farm, where they learnt more about Celtic and Romans life. They particularly enjoyed the jewellery making, chalk scraping and archaeology dig! We were extremely proud of their behaviour, working together and resilience skills when learning some very tricky skills. On Thursday, Year 5 learnt vital first aid skills. 16th October is Restart a Heart Day which raises awareness about cardiac arrest, helps people to learn CPR, gives them life saving skills and the confidence to use them. We were so proud of them as they listened so well to the medics, practiced CPR and learnt how to put someone in the recovery position.



Looking forward to seeing you all on either Tuesday or Thursday for parents consultations.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Mrs Mace



Upcoming events

17th–21st Oct book fair

18th & 20th Parents Consultations

21st October—Secondary School applications to be in (deadline 31st October)

31st Oct INSET DAY—SCHOOL & NURSERY CLOSED

1st Nov—Parent forum (8:45am in the hall)



As part of Mental Health Week, we have focussed our activities around emotions and well being. The children were encouraged to look at emotion picture cards to discuss how the person might be feeling. This was linked to drawing their own faces with an emotion, tracing friends faces on our see-through easel and playing emotion bingo. We also spent time looking at and discussing images that the children had brought in of their own favourite place/object/person. In addition, the children were also encouraged to listen and relax to calming music.

Travelling Book Fair during the week commencing 17th October 2022

The Book Fair will be available after school in the small dining hall from 3.10pm-3.30pm each day.

The Travelling Book Fair offers a range of books for all ages, from £2.99. Every purchase earns the school rewards that can be spent on books to enhance the library and promote reading for pleasure.

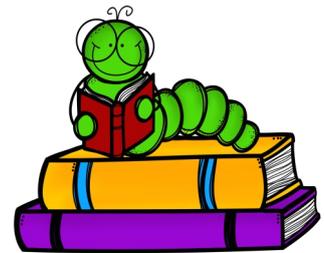
A flyer has been sent to with the newsletter, with examples of books that can be purchased and methods of payment. This is a cashless fair. The QR code will be on display for making payment. Books will be displayed for you to browse. Books purchased (with confirmation) will be available to collect from the book fair.

More details to follow.

The fair will be available during parent consultations too. Details about the fair will be on posters around this school this week.

Many thanks for your support.

Miss Chatfield



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 VOLUNTEER. PLEASE NOTE- A DBS WILL NEED TO BE APPLIED FOR UNDER OUR SAFEGUARDING EXPECTATIONS.



Communication this week

- Email Year 6 WWII topic day
- Email Year 6—secondary school applications

Attendance

1st place: 98.6% - Donaldson (1)
2nd place: 97.7% - Murphy (2)
3rd place: 97% - McKee (2)
Whole School: 94.6%

Word of the Week

(KS1) - **shriek**—high pitched scream

(KS2 Lower) - **pompous**—being self-important

(KS2 Upper) - **irascible**—quick to anger

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.

Absences & Sickness

If your child is absent from school, 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 must be off school for 48 hours following the last episode.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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

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

P2/P

Bring **WATER** everyday!

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



Whole Grains

(Great for Snack or Lunch)

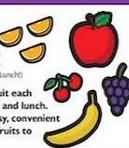
Make sandwiches with whole grain bread. Look for labels that say "100% Whole Grain"



Fruit

(Great for Snack or Lunch)

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



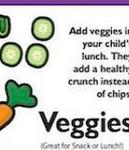
Pack healthy snacks each day. Add a healthy sweet or savory treat. Try whole grain crackers and pretzels for savory snacks or dried fruits for sweet treats.

Snacks



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

Veggies



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. Please check to see what items of uniform you may need and please order through us in the first instance. Please see previous page as to stock items we have. 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.