



Hamsey Green
Primary School



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2022 Week 11



Dear All

This week has been another proud week for our students in representing the school. It really shows their passion for the school and wider curriculum which is so important. It all began on Saturday, with Years 5 and 6, who paraded around Warlingham Green with their lanterns and then being brave enough to join in the community children's choir. They sang brilliantly!

Year 6 had another special visitor on Monday, Mrs Booker's Dad came to talk to the children about his childhood during the war and it really moved them. Then, it was onto the start of the World Cup which the children who wanted to, watched with excitement! We wait with baited breath for the next game tonight.

I was so excited this week, as on Tuesday, Hamsey entered the first swimming gala since 2019 (due to Covid). For the first time, Year 4's were invited to swim. I have to say, normally we do come 6th out six but after seeing them in trials, I knew we were in for a chance! The children encouraged, nurtured and swam like fish and we came a fantastic 3rd!! The children were awarded bronze medals for their achievement and their smiles said it all. Thank you to all the adults who came to support— the cheapest facials we could have had— it was sooo hot at the pool!!



This week ended with our Christmas Dragon's Den. The standard again has risen with the children pitching their products in the hope our Dragon's invest in theirs. From Nursery to Year 6, they learnt about persuasion through their delivery of advertising, language use and much to my pleasure—tasters! I am sure see their products at the fair next Friday!



Thank you again for your donations of bottles this week.

Finally, please do check the calendar for events over the next few weeks as there is a lot to pack in before we break up!

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Mace



Upcoming events

29th November—Yr 4 Roman Day

1st December—Flu vaccines Rec—Year 6

2nd December— Christmas Fair Mufti £1 donation

ACORNS/HAMSEY CHRISTMAS FAIR 3-5PM

ALL STALLS IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL

w/c 12th December—Christmas plays (on page 5)



At nursery this week we have enjoyed introducing our new Talk For Writing story 'Stick Man'. We have created a 'tree house home' for the stick man in our role play area which the children have been very excited to explore. We have also used natural resources of twigs to create our own stick men, mark-make pictures with paint, measure and size order.

Active Surrey will be running a free 'Help your child be their best' workshop in conjunction with YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team, giving tips on how parents can help their children reach their potential physically and mentally. Parents will learn about the Tree of Wellbeing and the links to activity, nutrition, hydration and sleep.

Please click on the link below for more information.

<https://surreyeducationsservices.surreycc.gov.uk/Article/116178?source=Newsletter&guid=E3E32158-D2F8-4461-8976-337991860A0C>



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.



Communication this week

- 23/11—Rec-Year 6 flu vaccine reminder email
- 24/11—School Christmas lunch email

Attendance

1st place: Kinney (3) - 97.9%
Joint 2nd place: McKee (2) & Butterworth [R] - 96.9%
Whole School: 93.5%

Word of the Week

(KS1) - **Altogether**—completely, in total or on the whole

(KS2 Lower) - **Subvert**—to undermine the power or ruling regime

(KS2 Upper) - **Contravene**—to break the rules or the law



Nursery are requesting for any pre-loved, outgrown clothes for ages 2-4 years, including socks and underwear. If you are able to help with this request, please can they be delivered to Acorns Nursery. Thank you in advance for your kindness and help.

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 for your assistance.



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!

Putting 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"

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

(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

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

Veggies

(Great for Snack or Lunch)

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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 wish-list. This will arrive at school a few days later and be added to the children's non-fiction book box or class library.



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.

Camp 4 Champs has teamed up with **Warlingham School, Warlingham** to run a **sports multi-skills activity camp** and will be opening **this Christmas** on the following dates:
December: 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd

Parents/carers whose child/ren are eligible for benefit based FSM's will be able to attend for **FREE through the HAPpy Scheme**. Please note, an email will be sent directly to you from your child's school to book. Booking for this option is NOT available through the camps 4 champs website.

If you are not eligible for benefit based FSM's, booking is available through their website, camp4champs.co.uk.



Christmas Productions



As you know, our Christmas productions have been on the website since October. We look forward to welcoming you on these dates. For performances at 9:00am, we would love for you to be able to join us beforehand, where we will be selling tea/coffee and mince pies for you to enjoy during the performance. For performances at 1:30pm, we will have the performance first and then we will be selling tea/coffee and mince pies for you to enjoy, whilst you wait for your children to finish out the school day.

There will be no tickets this year but we ask you to keep to **two adults per family** in order to comply with our fire regulations. Pre-school aged children are welcome to attend, however, they will need to sit on an adult's lap. As the children have all been practising hard, we politely request that if any younger children become agitated and restless, that you move to the back of the hall or outside until they have settled so as to not disturb the children performing.

Thank you for your co-operation and support and we look forward to welcoming you all to celebrate with us.

Monday 12th December



9:00am—Years 1 & 2

1:30pm—Years 5 & 6



Tuesday 13th December



9:00am—Reception

1:30pm—Years 3 & 4



Dear Parents and Carers,

Do you have child/young person who uses Surrey County Council Home to School Travel Assistance of any form? At Family Voice Surrey we have been hearing from many families who have been having significant challenges with Home to School transport. To help us evidence the scale and nature of issues being faced, please complete the short survey below if you use or have tried to use any form of home to school travel assistance from Surrey County Council.

Please complete [Family Voice Surrey's Home to School Transport survey](#).

A little about [Family Voice Surrey](#): we are the official parent carer forum for Surrey. Our role is to ensure the lived experiences of families get heard by those making decisions, both within Education and Health. We do this by running groups for families both for general chat and support and covering specific topics such as ASD/ADHD, Downs Syndrome, School Anxiety, Post-16 and much more. We often seek to gather data for surveys.

Thank you very much for your help with this, the greater the level of response we get, the more accurately we can reflect the experience of families and the impact this has on them and in turn on the schools that their children and young people attend.

If you would like any further information on this or anything about Family Voice and our work, please do not hesitate to [get in touch](#).

Best Wishes,

Family Voice Surrey

