



Hamsey Green
Primary School

Acorns
& Nursery



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2022 Week 12



Dear All

A short newsletter this week as we hope you are all enjoying the school fair! The school elves have visited and cast their amazing spell. We have lovely twinkling lights and our tree up which we are very grateful to them as always and massive thank you to all who have helped with the fair preparations and the PTA who have worked tirelessly to make the event a success. Thank you also to the local business who have helped support us—details are overleaf. We will let you know how much we raise next week.

We were delighted to host all of the senior leaders from our Trust Primaries for a Talk for Writing presentation. The consultant leading the project taught in Year 1, 3 and 5 and commented on how well the children were learning Talk for Writing practices, that their behaviour was exemplary and lovely to see how engaged in their learning they were. Other senior staff also commented on how well our children proud walked and took pride in showing work in their books. I was so proud of the children and staff.

Amongst all of this, our Year 4s travelled back in history to the Roman times— enjoying learning about Roman numerals, tasting the food (especially the bread and honey, I hear!) and learning soldier drills. They all had a great time!

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Mace



Upcoming events

7th December—Christmas dinner (to be booked on School Money)

9th December—Christmas Jumper day £1 (on School Money)

w/c 12th December—Christmas plays (on page 6)

16th December—end of Autumn term—early finish



This week at nursery we have started our Christmas celebrations by putting up our Christmas tree and preparing for the Christmas fair.

We have continued learning our Talk for writing story - Stick Man; during this we have explored the different elements of the story such as fire and fire safety and also exploring our own family trees.

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-D2F8-4461-8976-337991860AOC>



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

- Letter from the Trust by email
- Year 6 SATs letter
- Arbor parental engagement log in details

Attendance

1st place: Donaldson (1) - 95.7%
2nd place: Butterworth [R] - 94.8%
3rd place: McKee (2) - 94.6%

Whole School: 91.1%

Word of the Week

(KS1) - **Cheer**—the quality of happiness and optimism

(KS2 Lower) - **Malice**—the desire to cause pain for the satisfaction of doing harm

(KS2 Upper) - **Ebullience**—the quality of being cheerful and full of energy



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

P2iP

Bring **WATER** everyday!

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



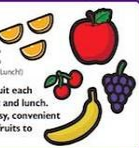
Whole Grains

(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



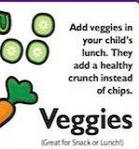
Pack healthy snacks each day. Add a healthy sweet or savory treat. Try whole grain crackers and pretzels for savory snacks or dried fruits for sweet treats.

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.



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.



HAMSEY GREEN'S RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Super Veg Pasta

Ingredients

- 2 red peppers, quartered and deseeded
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 fennel bulb, roughly chopped
- 1 onion, roughly chopped
- 1 large carrot, roughly chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp crushed chillies
- 1 tsp fennel seeds
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 600ml vegetable stock
- 1 tsp caster sugar
- small handful basil, leaves shredded
- 500g bag fresh egg pasta, cooked

STEP 1

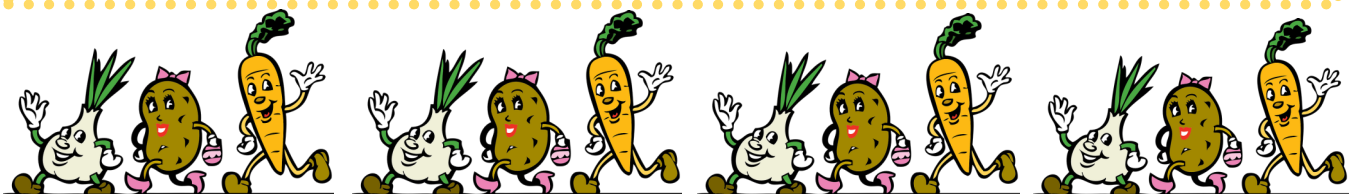
Heat the grill and pop the peppers, skin-side up, underneath for 10 mins or until beginning to char. Transfer to a bowl, cover and set aside. When cool enough to handle, peel off the skin and cut the flesh into strips.

STEP 2

Heat the oil in a large saucepan and cook the fennel, onion and carrot for 8-10 mins until softened. Stir in the garlic, crushed chillies, fennel seeds and tomato purée, cook for 2 mins, then add the canned tomatoes, stock and sugar. Simmer, uncovered, for 15 mins or until the vegetables are completely soft.

STEP 3

Take out a couple of spoonfuls of the sauce (this will later add texture), then blend the rest in the saucepan until almost smooth with a stick blender. Simmer for 5 mins to thicken, then stir in the reserved sauce, shredded basil and peppers. Serve with the pasta.



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



In a Nutsh-elf

The elves have arrived back to Hamsey Green in style!

We are hoping that they are better behaved this year than they have been in previous years.....!





If you are in receipt of Pupil Premium, FEET funding or EYPP; the holiday vouchers for over the Christmas period will total £30 per child. These will be sent to you in the usual way.

If you think you are eligible for Pupil Premium, please come to the office to complete a form in confidence, which can then be sent for checking.

Surrey Family Information Service

Surrey Family Information service have provided guidance for familial conflicts; please click on the link below to see this.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/parenting-courses-and-advice/our-resources-for-reducing-conflict-between-parents>

Thank you to the following for donating to our Christmas Fair:

Hamper sponsored by Paul Meakin

Tandridge Leisure Centre

Spaghetti Tree

The Olive Branch

Bouncy Boss bouncy castles

Waitrose hamper

View from the Shard voucher (courtesy of Mr Hurstwyn)

Wheatleafe bar and grill

Godstone Farm

Priory Farm

