



# In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2020 Week 2



Dear All,

It has been a great week at school - although the children (and staff) are all very tired now they have completed a full week. We have enjoyed the weather playing on the new play area and the field! It has been pleasing to see how well the children have settled back into their learning this week too. Mr Boffa and I have been on a learning walk and seen the children engaged in maths counting in Year 1, up to 100, Year 2 making their own number lines on paper tapes, to the dizzy heights of place value to 1 million for our Year 5's and 6! They have enjoyed the launch of their new topics (topic maps are now on the website.)

Earlier this week, I asked the children for their input on the School Improvement Plan for this. They were asked, 'What it was like to be a child at Hamsey Green?'— they said:

We are lucky to have great staff and children who come to our school. They are kind and helpful!

We are privileged to have super ground, resources and equipment to use.

We have lots of fantastic opportunities to learn, exciting topics and ways to learn. We like being collaborative.

Safe and happy!

Thank you to all of you who are socially distancing in the playground when dropping and collecting children. We are continually following guidelines as they are announced, determined to keep school open and our communities safe so please ensure that only 1 person drops/collects.

Please can we remind all of our parents to be vigilant and aware of your children's online behaviour.

We wish you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Mace



The nursery is officially open!!! We have 28 children starting with us in the Autumn Term. The children and parents thoroughly enjoyed their stay and play sessions this week and are looking forward to their sessions next week.

If you have any spare toys they would be most welcome!

#### Inkpen and Butterworth

It was great to finally welcome both classes to Hamsey Green during their stay and play sessions this week!. We are looking forward to seeing them in their new school uniform next week for the first mornings of school.



#### RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

Fruit is arriving again! We have had carrots, apples and bananas this week.

KS2 Snack Attack will start up shortly so please continue to bring in a snack.

#### School Improvement Plan

We have had so many successes this year and will be adding the improvements suggested by Ofsted into this years plan. If you have any suggestions to make the school even better, please do email them into Mrs Mace via the school office.

**Year 6 packs have been emailed regarding Secondary School Applications this week. Please check your email.**

#### Word of the Week

(KS1) **Fantastic**—Extremely good; imaginative

(KS2 lower) **Enquired**—To investigate or ask questions

(KS2 Upper) **Imposition**—A task forced upon someone that is unwanted and usually demanding

#### Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

What to do if your child has symptoms

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have a test.
3. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.