

Dear All,

I do hope you were as excited as we were to learn that all children will be returning to school on Monday 8th March! We look forward to seeing you all again. I am sure that the children will have all grown taller and will be excited to see the new playground markings that have been painted. The markings have been completed on the back courts also and we are looking forward to the new netball posts and tennis nets to arrive! Lots of new PE equipment has also been purchased for the children and a big THANK YOU to Mrs Irons and Mrs Howe, who have carefully



unpacked everything and sorted the PE cupboards out! Thank you also to Mrs Smith who has built lots and lots of bikes, trikes, scooters (how was I to know they had to be assembled!)

We can't wait to see the children enjoying sport again.

This week, the children have had two exciting events. They started the week with celebrating pupils' Mother Tongue in -Languages Day. The children were



exposed to lots of different languages and have been trying new international menus. I do hope those at home were able to bake something yummy to try! The children at school have had the opportunity to try lots of international dishes for lunch this week too. This tied in really well with Year 4's new topic on Italy so they decorated the classroom with Italian flags, watched Pinocchio (an Italian story!) and were lucky enough to have pizza for lunch. They also managed to squeeze in some Italian numbers in maths and learnt some Italian!

Also launched was Fair Trade Fortnight. You may find your children looking at packaging at home to see if they are Fair Trade. If you are food shopping, perhaps look up some Fair Trade alternatives for them to see or try? How many foods can they find with the Fair Trade logo?



I apologise now for the very long letter that has come out reminding you all of school procedures from the 8th March— it contains really important information for all so please read it carefully with a cup of tea and a cake!



Stay safe

Mrs Mace





All adults MUST wear a mask on School premises, unless exempt.



This week, we have had great fun riding on our new delivery of bikes! We also enjoyed listening to the children as they talked about what they did during half term and we have welcomed several new children to our nursery.



Letters that will come out this week

- School letter regarding returning on 8th March
- Trust letter



Please can we remind parents/carers, that should you request a COVID test whilst remote learning, you still need to notify the school office at office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk. We are still required to inform the authorities of any confirmed cases. Please keep us updated should you request a test and are awaiting results. Thank you.

Book Week (1st March-5th March 2021)

World Book Day (4th March 2021)

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children.

A £1 World Book Day Digital Book Token was sent via parent email before half-term (valid between 18/2/21 and 28/3/21). You can find out more about the books at <u>https://www.worldbookday.com/books/</u>

Tasks linked to reading/books and authors will be set for children at school or on Edmodo/ Satchel One for children learning remotely during this week. We look forward to receiving book related work from the children and sharing their love of reading with each other.

On Thursday 4th March 2021, it would be lovely for children to dress up as their favourite character to celebrate World Book Day (if children are in school, please remember appropriate footwear for PE with Coach Liam and breaktime, thank you). We would love to see children, who are learning remotely, dressed up via photos sent to Edmodo or Satchel One.

For more information about World Book Day and ideas on sharing books at home, please visit <u>https://www.worldbookday.com/</u>

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Chatfield (Reading Lead)



The Knitting Grannies are back..... Please go to our school website to see their latest adventure!. <u>https://www.hamsey.surrey.sch.uk/page/?</u> <u>title=The+Knitting+Grannies&pid=253</u>

Spring

Headteacher's Newsletter

Whitgift School pupils have created some tutorial videos for KS21 maths. Please click on the link below to view.

https://www.whitgift.co.uk/community/primary-school-project/primary-schooltutorial-videos

Please can we ask all parents/carers to let us know of any changes to contact details; e.g. telephone, email and address. We can only communicate with families successfully, if we have the right details! Thank you. Please email the school office with any changes at office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk.

Thank you to the parents who have already ordered books through our Amazon wish list. If you do order any, please can you also include a gift note so that we may know who they are from. Thank you!

Word of the Week

(KS1) Beyond —On the other side of a particular point
(KS2 lower) Indecision —An inability to

decide

(KS2 upper) **Ebullient** — Cheerful and full

of energy

