



Hamsey Green  
Primary School



# In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2021 Week 11

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week, staff have been implementing their new writing lessons with the children following our INSET. I have had the pleasure of walking around the school, observing lessons and listening to children's conversations with all of you about their learning. Across the school I have seen the children learning a model text with actions; hopefully you might see these appear at home. I will be sending out more information in the coming weeks about Talk4Writing. Believe it or not, I even heard that Year 1 pupils were going on a dragon hunt to try and find the dragon they saw land in the playground!

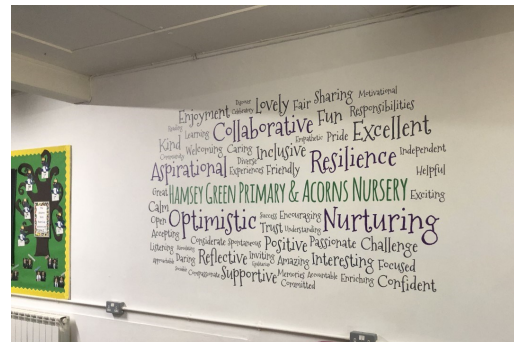
Last week, I forgot to mention the incredible effort the football team put into their trip to Trinity School, for a couple of matches. The Year 6s played extremely well but unfortunately lost 3-0; however, spectators agreed the score did not reflect our performance. The Year 5s played brilliantly and won 3-0. The Trinity teachers were so impressed they are trying to organise another match with one of their stronger team.

Staying with the football team, they had a very impromptu match against Woodlea that no one was prepared for. However, a massive thank you to Mr Cannon for piecing together a last minute team, which went on to win 3-0. Another massive thank you to Mr Griffiths, who refereed the game superbly; and finally a huge thank you to the parents who allowed their children to stay and play.

Mrs Smith and myself tested our own resilient skill this week, adding a lovely wall sticker in the main corridor, showcasing what makes our school great! The words were chosen by the children, teachers and governors to try and get a capture from the community.

Mrs Jordan was overjoyed with the turn out for the phonics workshop for reception parents, thank you for coming and your positive feedback on the session. The school are really proud of the children who showed how much they have already learnt.

Next week on Monday, Year 6 are extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to attend a musical concert at Fairfield Halls by Whitgift School.



Christmas Performances:



Tuesday 7th December	Wednesday 8th December	Tuesday 14th December
Reception (9am)	Yr1 & 2 (9am)	Yr3 & 4 (9am)
Yr3 & 4 (10.30am)	Reception (1.30pm)	Yr5 & 6 (1.45pm)
Yr1 & 2 (1.30pm)		

Mr Boffa





This week, Acorns have been introducing listening skills to the children. We have been taking part in sound hunts outside and hearing the different sounds we can make.

The children have also been exploring early phonics in small groups and beginning to learn the jolly phonics letter rhymes.

### 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 do have slightly staggered starting times to help alleviate this issue. Thank you for your assistance.



### Upcoming events

- **Reception 2022 parent tours Wednesdays**
- **Tuesday 23rd November—class disco's** (payable on school money by Friday 19th November by 3pm)
- **Friday 26th November—Xmas colour Mufti** (please see separate attachment from PTA)

### Communication this week

- **Yr 6 Whitgift concert email**
- **Yr 6 Trip email**
- **Rec-Yr 6 Christmas lunch email**
- **Yr 4 Roman letter**

### Attendance:

**1st place:** Kinney (3) 100%  
**2nd place:** Murphy (2) 98.8%  
**3rd place:** Rowling (4) 97.5%

**Whole school: 92.9%**

### 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 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.

### Word of the Week

(KS1) **Forgive**—to choose to stop feeling angry or upset at someone else

(KS2 Lower) **Mischievous**—causing or showing a fondness for causing trouble in a playful way

(KS2 Upper) **Adulation**—excessive admiration or praise

### School Dinners

Further to the email earlier this week, please can dinners for the week of 6th December be booked by Friday 26th November—this is because this week will consist the Christmas lunch.

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.

### Recycle Charity

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](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3GIZF85XRY4MG?ref=wl_share)

### COVID testing

Schools are being encouraged to ask their community to continue to regularly test using lateral flow tests. They can be ordered online [here](#).

If you have secondary school aged children: Based on recent UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA, formally PHE) advice. We have been advised to encourage students or staff **identified as contacts** in secondary schools to also test daily on a lateral flow device until they receive their PCR test result.

Surrey Family Learning are offering free online courses.

**Enrolments for ONLINE courses starting in November and December are now open.** We have plenty of courses to help support families. All Family Learning courses are FREE and can support:

- Parenting
- Wellbeing
- Managing anxiety
- Understanding children's behaviour
- Getting to grips with maths and phonics
- English for parents/carers as an additional language

Please do share this email with friends and families so that they can take advantage of our free resources. Spaces are limited so we do encourage parents and carers to sign up early. There is further course information our [website](#) and this link <https://mailchi.mp/f40867b163e4/family-learning-733532>.



A recruitment poster for Camp 4 Champs. It features a grid of nine circular images showing children and adults engaged in various activities: basketball, playing with toys, basketball, a boy in a blue cap, a boy with a rainbow, a boy splashing in water, a girl in a kitchen, a boy on a swing, and a boy with a 'Camp 4 Champs' t-shirt. Below the images, the text reads: 'WE ARE RECRUITING' and 'CAMP 4 CHAMPS'. At the bottom, a black box contains the following text: 'CAMP 4 CHAMPS IS A SPORTS MULTI-SKILLS CAMP WHICH RUNS IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. WE HAVE SITES IN SURREY, ESSEX & HERTFORDSHIRE AND ARE LOOKING FOR COACHES, TEACHERS, TEACHING ASSISTANTS & EYFS TRAINED COACHES TO JOIN US THIS WINTER. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY VISIT CAMP4CHAMPS.CO.UK AND COMPLETE A 'JOIN THE TEAM' ENQUIRY FORM OR CALL HELEN 07935962812'.

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An NHS poster titled 'BOOST YOUR IMMUNITY THIS WINTER'. It features a group of people wearing face masks, with two women in the foreground highlighted by a yellow and blue glow. The text reads: 'BOOST YOUR IMMUNITY THIS WINTER', 'WITH THE FLU VACCINE + COVID-19 BOOSTER', 'Flu and COVID-19 can both be life-threatening and spread more easily in winter. If you're over 50, you are eligible for a free flu vaccine and a COVID-19 booster.', 'Get vaccinated. Get boosted. Get protected.', and 'nhs.uk/wintervaccinations'.

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