



Acorns
Nursery

Hamsey Green
Primary School



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Spring Term 2022 Week 8



WORLD BOOK DAY®
Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.



Dear All

We have had rather a damp week this week, so I was pleased to see that so many classes braved the weather for outdoor learning. Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age and have learned how to make lean-to shelters— possibly how Stone Age people constructed some of their houses back then— I hope in those days, theirs were a little more water proof!

Surprisingly, Year 6 also found Inca Empire remains in the forest area which linked perfectly with their topic hook— who would have known Hamsey Green had such amazing, diverse, history!!



Also this week, as you can tell, spirits lifted as we have been celebrating all things about books, culminating in World Book Day. The children from Acorns to Year 6 and the staff looked amazing! We have been waiting for two years for M & M Productions to come back to perform for us and it was worth the wait. They performed The Secret Garden and the children were mesmerised by the live performance. We look forward to their return next year! The children also enjoyed hearing stories and reading with their buddy class, quizzes and lots of book talk.



Year 4 have had great fun getting active during their Wellbeing Warrior workshop delivered by Surrey Active. They learned about how moving and looking after their bodies could have a great impact on their mental health. We will be tracking their well-being targets which they set.

Year 3 have also created a new display to share their learning on Fairtrade. We are aiming for the Fairtrade Accreditation Award!

Our thoughts go out to families who are suffering around the world and hope for a speedy, more peaceful outcome.



Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Mace





This week we have been focussing on our talk for writing book *The Little Green Dinosaur*. We started the week with a very exciting discovery of dinosaur footprints in the garden which the children were amazed by!

We also enjoyed dressing up for world book day and all the children looked fantastic in their costumes.

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 considerately 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.



Upcoming events

7th-11th March—Maths week

14th-18th March—Science week

Monday 14th March—Year 2 SATs meeting

Monday 28th March—Reception & Year 6 Parents evening

Wednesday 30th March—Reception & Year 6 Parents evening

Tuesday 29th March—Year 1– Year 5 Parents evening

Thursday 31st March—Year 1-Year 5 Parents evening

Friday 1st April—end of Spring term (early finish)

Tuesday 19th April—school closure day

Tuesday 19th April—Primary school outcomes

Wednesday 20th April—children return for Summer term

Communication this week

- Parents evening
- Year 1 Godstone Farm letter

Attendance

1st place: Inkpen [R] - 98.9%
 2nd place: Butterworth [R] - 96.9%
 3rd place: Morpurgo (6) - 96.4%

Whole school: 94.9%

You may have noticed that our gates are currently out of action and are in the process of being repaired. Please can we remind you that parents are not permitted to drive onto the school premises to collect children at the end of the school day or for collecting after clubs, whilst they are open.

Thank you for your continued support.

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.

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.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/school-lunch-recipes>

A Guide to Building...

Healthy Snacks & Lunchbox

P2iP

Bring WATER everyday!

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



<p>Whole Grains (Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p> <p>Make sandwiches with whole grain bread. Look for labels that say "100% Whole Grain"</p>	<p>Fruit (Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p> <p>Pack fresh fruit each day for snack and lunch. These are easy, convenient ways to add fruits to your day</p>
<p>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.</p> <p>Snacks</p>	<p>Add veggies in your child's lunch. They add a healthy crunch instead of chips.</p> <p>Veggies (Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p>

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.

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

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. Please see previous page as to stock items we have. 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.

School Uniform

We have the following remaining items of school uniform available to purchase through School Money (as at 4th March)

24" cardigans (x16)	26" cardigans (x1)	34" cardigans (x10)
36" cardigans (x2)	34" sweatshirt (x1)	
Nursery sweatshirt 2 yrs (x3)	Nursery legionnaires caps (x14)	

SCIENCE WEEK (11th-20th March)



As Part of Science Week (11th –20th March), the children of Hamsey Green will get the exciting opportunity to grow and nurture fruit, vegetables, flowers or herbs as a class. The seeds are on their way and now we need everyone's help. Please could you bring in any spare plant pots of any size, spare soil, large cardboard boxes, empty 2L bottles, empty milk cartons and empty yogurt pots to your **child's class**. We will be accepting donations on Friday 11th March with the intention of planting on Monday 14th March. Thank you for your help!

Miss Marshall and Mrs Bates (Science Leaders)

Surrey County Council will be launching a new **Walking Training Programme** this summer.

The Walking Training Programme will be aimed at children ages 7 to 8 years old (Year 3) and will be delivered by trained 'Walking Instructors' employed by Surrey County Council. The training course will provide pupils with road safety skills to better enable them to safely walk to and from school with their parents and carers and prepare them for independent travel. The training will be taught through a combination of classroom and practical roadside sessions. For further information about the Walking Training course please visit; [Surrey County Council - Walking training for schools](#).

To help facilitate the training Surrey County Council is currently recruiting for several Surrey based Walking Instructors. So, if any of our school networks are interested in encouraging primary school-age pupils to feel more confident traveling to school actively and sustainably, whilst equipping them with the necessary road safety knowledge and awareness skills, we would love to hear from you.

Who would be an ideal candidate for the role?

Some of the qualities would include:

Has experience working with primary aged children, in either a professional or personal manner.

Interested in encouraging primary school-age pupils to feel more confident traveling actively and sustainably to school.

Interested in road safety and or active travel.

Confident engaging children of 7-8 years old both in the classroom and during the on-road training elements of the course.

Confident working on your own, as some courses may not have another Instructor attending with you.

Looking for a flexible, term time position.

This is a term time position, which is flexible, but has no guaranteed hours. Full training will be provided in April 2022 with the first school courses scheduled for May 2022 onwards. **This is a term time, zero hours paid for position.**

If you know anyone that may be interested in earning a **supplement income through flexible working**, then this job may be for them. It could be a parent, carer, grandparent, school support staff or even a student training within an education field.

Full details of the job profile and how to apply can be found on the [Surrey County Council website](#).