



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Spring Term 2022 Week 12

Dear All,

I hope you have enjoyed the final week of Spring Term! The children have been very excited as they have participated in their end of term Team events. Mr Richards organised an inter-house netball/throwing skills competition—this took place at the start of the week when the weather was warmer. On Thursday, in their Teams, the children took part in an Easter Egg Hunt—this was not so warm! I am sure their yummy treat didn't make it back home.

Dodd class have made Easter Crowns to celebrate new life that springtime brings and Year 5 created Easter Gardens in forest school. This activity was linked to learning about Easter and the traditions that we all know, both religious and otherwise. It was collaborative and the

class had to work as a team. This created some interesting learning opportunities as they navigated how to 'pool' ideas and share best practice. They listened to people from different faiths discussing how they celebrate Spring (or don't), looked at the Easter story and created the garden that Christians identify with as part of R.E..



The author, E R Reilly, returned to the school to sign all the books that were ordered too, we hope the children enjoy reading them over the break. We have been given a set of twelve books as a donation which will be added to the school library.

During the holidays, we are having our antiquated heating system replaced! This work will take until 31st August to complete.

Unfortunately, it means there will be some disruption to classes.

Over the holidays - Reception and Year 1 - No impact

20th April to May Half term Year 4 **Rowling** class. The Library has been set up as a temporary classroom! The children will still use the same entrance and exit.

After May half term— end June (4 weeks approx.) **Year 5 and 6**— I will write nearer the time with details of their bases.

We also say farewell to Mrs Bates who is now on maternity leave, we wish her all the best.

Happy holidays!

Mrs Mace





This week, we have enjoyed using our outdoor space which we have been developing over the past week, including our "Story Den" and "Dream Tree". The children also had an amazing time having fun in the sudden snow/hail stone showers this week!



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.



Upcoming events

Tuesday 19th April—school closure day

Tuesday 19th April—Primary school outcomes

Wednesday 20th April—children return for Summer term

Tuesday 26th April—Year 3 High Ashurst day trip

Communication this week

- Trust newsletter
- Letter from Surrey County Council

Attendance

1st place: Morpurgo (6) - 95%
 2nd place: Kinney (3) - 93.6%
 3rd place: Butterworth [R] - 92.3%

Whole school: 89.4%

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 DO NOT use the office email address as these are not picked up in time for registration purposes.** 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.

Please remember we are a nut free school—this includes spreads that may contain nuts.

A Guide to Building...

Healthy Snacks & Lunchbox

P21P

Bring WATER everyday!

Putting 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"

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

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

Add veggies in your child's lunch. They add a healthy crunch instead of chips.

Veggies

(Great for Snack or Lunch)

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!

Recycle 4 Charity



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 1st April)

24" cardigans (x16)

34" cardigans (x9)

36" cardigans (x2)

Nursery sweatshirt 2 yrs (x3)

Nursery legionnaires caps (x13)

Whatsapp groups

We've had some worrying calls from parents regarding the use of the various parental Whatsapp groups that have been set up. These groups are useful for the communication of events and school notifications. Whilst, as a school we have no jurisdiction over the use of these groups; we would like to remind you the importance of not naming children of other classes/year groups or staff. Please can we ask that whoever the admin is of these groups, to please monitor the messages that are posted. If any parents have any issues, please can we remind you that these should be brought to the attention of your class teacher in the first instance. Thank you for help in this matter.

Parent Survey

Thank you to all who came to the Parents consultations this week and for those who completed the parent survey. If you have not yet done so, please can we ask that you take a couple of minutes to complete this? <https://forms.office.com/r/zshNPrXfXa> . Thank you for your cooperation and feedback.

OVER EASTER

Please can we ask that you take the opportunity over the holidays to ensure all school uniform is clearly named, including coats.

If you can please also check your child's/ren's hair regularly for head lice before returning back to school. Thank you!

Fixed Penalty Notices

An email was sent out on Monday 21st March regarding fixed penalty notices for unauthorised absences from school. Please read and consider this when booking any absences that occur during term time. Thank you.

