# In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2022 Week 9

Dear All

Hamsey Green Primary School



This week, we saw our Year 6s depart for their three day residential! I couldn't have been more proud of how they worked together as a team to ensure all had a great time. From learning to succeed in rounders— with the winners getting to choose the crisps first; playing '21' and hide & seek in the woods; to wide games, caving, archery, rock climbing and camp fire



singing! I am not sure much sleep was had by the children or the staff but they certainly ate well! I'm not sure what went down better or quicker– the spaghetti or the Dominoes Pizza! Some Year 6s went to Frylands Wood. The children tackled the assault course, grass sledged and climbed, amazing us with their skills and resilience. The children even encouraged the adults to have a go at some of the activities and I am certain many lasting memories were made. All the pupils

represented the school beautifully. A huge thank you to the staff who took them.

I have had the pleasure of teaching the whole of Key Stage 2 how to high jump this week as part of athletics skills! (I did not jump!!) With all the lockdowns and restrictions, this is an event the children have not been exposed to and is a key skill to learn. Some of them are jumping nearly as high, as I am tall!

It was great to see so many of you at the class assemblies this week. So far, we have been amazed with Reception's minibeast songs and facts; Year 1's stories and Year 4's alphabet learning and piano playing! Thank you for all your feedback too. Looking forward to seeing what Year 2 and 3 have planned for us on Monday!

I am sure the children will be pleased to hear that the plumbing works in Year 5 and 6 corridor have now been completed and they can return to their classrooms! The plumbers will be working on other areas of the school next.

I would also like to let you know about staffing for next year. Sadly, we have a few people leaving us; Mrs Mellis will be retiring after 20 years' service at Hamsey which we are extremely grateful for. We wish her all the best. Mr Richards is also departing from Hamsey– travelling across the globe to teach in China! We are all quite jealous! Miss Marshall is taking up a promotion and Miss Keresey is also leaving to undertake a new teaching role– we wish them all the best for the future. Mrs Sherlock, our Midday Supervisor is also retiring after 23 years' of service and we wish her a happy, restful time spent with family.

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We are very pleased to announce the classes for next year below! Class swap will take place on Thursday 7th July 2022, where your child will be able to spend time with their new teachers. We welcome Mr Chew and Mr Bianco to our teaching staff who are known to all children in school. We also welcome Miss Bonnell-Stewart and Mrs Jethwa who will be joining our fabulous staff. We are pleased Miss Caires will be returning from maternity leave, following the birth of Sienna!

After school, your new teacher will be available for you to meet and greet in their new rooms from 3.05 -3.20 as we need to set up for District Sports.

Year	Class Name	Teacher	Teaching Assistants
Nursery	Acorns	Trudy, Sue, Natalie, Lisa,	Vivienne, Lauren & Selina
Reception	Inkpen	Mrs Jordan	Mrs Booker
Reception	Butterworth	Miss Kavanagh	Mrs Caruana
Year 1	Dodd	Mrs Knolles	Mrs Palmer
		M T W Th,	Mrs Rose
		Mr Boffa Fri	Miss Formosa
Year 1	Donaldson	Miss Bonnell-Stewart	Mrs Rowe
Year 2	МсКее	Mr Bianco	Mrs Key
Year 2	Murphy	Miss Caires	Mrs Cini
Year 3	Kinney	Mrs Johnson	Mrs Connery
Year 4	Rowling	Miss Lambert	Mrs Larkman & Mrs Jethwa
Year 4	Rosen	Miss Mattison	Mrs Howe & Mrs Brown
Year 5	Walliams	Mr Brown	Mrs Roberts
			Miss Robins
			Mr Bishop
Year 6	Morpurgo	Mr Chew	Mrs Gooding
			Mrs Irons
Year 6	Pullman	Miss Chatfield	Mrs Harhara



This week in nursery we have been looking at homes as part of our 'sharing a shell' story. We have created homes with natural resources in the forest school area, we have experimented with a variety of construction materials to build indoors and out; and talked about where different animals live.

We had fun looking at direction with a remote controlled car on the playground and also made our own ice cream using fresh fruit which we enjoyed!

## Staff car park

Several staff cars have been scratched whilst they have been parked in the staff car park. If you walk through the car park to access your child's classroom, please can we ask that you supervise all children in your care to not walk/play through the parked cars.

This is also applicable for any children who have brought a scooter/ride on or bike onto the school grounds. The children should be supervised at all times whilst on the premises and also at the beginning and end of the school day. Please encourage them to ride safely so no one gets knocked over accidently.

## **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.

## CLUBS

Please note that teacher run clubs will finish next week (w/c 27th June). All external run clubs (Flexi-flicks & CPFC) will finish w/c 12th July. Thank you!

## **School Meals**

School meals will be increasing from 1 September and the new cost will be £2.60.

For parents of children going into Year 2, the universal infant free school meal entitlement ends and unless eligible for Pupil Premium, dinners will need to be paid for at the time of booking.

## Ticks

With the warm weather and long grass, please be extra vigilant for ticks. Please click here for further information <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/1057949/Tick\_awareness\_A5\_leaflet.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/1057949/Tick\_awareness\_A5\_leaflet.pdf</a>

#### **Communication 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 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.

### Attendance

1st place:	Rundell (5) - 96.4%
2nd place:	Pullman (6) - 96.2%
3rd place:	Kinney (3) - 95.5%

Whole School: 92.2%

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## **Upcoming events**

Monday 27th June—Year 2 class assembly 9am

Monday 27th June—Year 3 class assembly 2pm

Friday 1st July -INSET day

Monday 4th July—District Sports

Thursday 7th July—class swap and meet new teacher and new Reception parents

Thursday 7th July— District Sports

Thursday 14th July—Sports Day

Friday 15th July— Years R– 5 end of year discos

Monday 18th July—Year 6 play

Friday 22nd July—End of term /

Yr 6 leavers' assembly

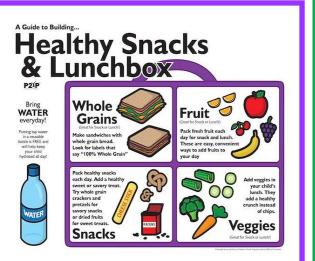
## **School Dinners**

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.

## **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.



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. <u>https://price-buckland.co.uk/school-finder/?school-search=Hamsey+Green+Primary+School</u>

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. Please order any uniform from Price & Buckland by 1st August for home delivery before the start of the new school year.

## **Surrey SEND information**

This week, we're celebrating <u>Learning Disability Week 2022</u>. The theme for this year is 'Living Life with a Learning Disability', showcasing how people with a learning disability are reconnecting with friends and their communities.

Learning Disability Week is a wonderful opportunity to promote our <u>Local Offer website</u>. We want to support all children to thrive, and our Local Offer is working with families and partners to ensure that children's needs are identified and met at the earliest possible stage.

The Local Offer enables young people and their families to find and engage with services that will benefit them. We want children to live, grow up and learn locally by accessing local services and connecting to their local communities, and the Local Offer is helping us to do exactly that.

This information is for the Year 4 & 5 parents of girls, regarding our **Open Evening on Wednesday 29 June 2022**.

If parents are interested in attending this event, **they can register by clicking on the link below or the link included on the invite attached to register to attend**, this is a great opportunity for parents and girls to get a taste of what we have to offer here, and to see our fantastic facilities.

Visitors will have an opportunity to meet our Senior Leadership Team, a chance to hear from some of our teachers, and of course from our current girls talking about life at Croydon High. We are offering two tour start times (5pm and 6.30pm) – please find the link below to book your place. We anticipate the tour lasting approximately 1 hour.

#### https://www.croydonhigh.gdst.net/senior-school-open-event-29-june-2022/

Please note, we are also planning to have a whole school **Open Morning on Saturday 8 October 2022 for September 2023 entry**.

Croydon High School

GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

https://www.dsmfoundation.org.uk/about-the-dsm-foundation/

The DSM Foundation are offering a free workshop:

"We're really pleased to offer parents and carers of Year 6 pupils anywhere out there a free workshop to help you prepare them – and yourselves – for the big move on to secondary school. It'll be on zoom with Fiona and Asha on Monday 4th July 7 - 8.30pm, including time for plenty of questions.

It can be both an exciting and worrying time, for children and parents alike, and this workshop is designed to give you an insight into some of the situations your child may encounter, strategies they can use to keep themselves safe, and ideas for talking about all this at home.

The workshop will involve finding out about:

- Substances your child may come across, when and where, and their effects and risks
- Building protective factors, including problem-solving, coping skills and resilience
- Factors that affect young people's decisions about drugs and alcohol, including teenage brain development
- How to have effective conversations with your child, and practical suggestions for what you can do to support them to stay safe
- Where to go for more information and support.

The workshop is open to anyone who'd find it useful so do share it around your friends and networks. Register on this link <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_BLIaNMKQ4GFsm1k3Y5zyA">https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_BLIaNMKQ4GFsm1k3Y5zyA</a>

Surrey County Council has an online survey called Our Voice Matters for children and young people to anonymously express how they feel. This survey can be accessed on <a href="https://wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=165234888878">https://wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=165234888878</a>.

#### Job opportunity

First Community Health and Care have an opportunity for some part time work within our team to support us in the delivery of the nasal flu programme in schools this winter. The closing date is midnight 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

Health care support worker role link to job description

https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/direct\_apply/?vac\_ref=917286738