



Hamsey Community Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's an exciting time of the year at Hamsey, with festive preparations underway for the Christmas Fair and Nativity. We look forward to welcoming you all to share these experiences with children and staff.

Open Afternoon

We have held our first open session for prospective new reception children for September 2018. Everyone was very complimentary about our lovely school. Our second open session is on Tuesday December 5th from 1.30pm – 2.30pm.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in their child starting at Hamsey next September, please encourage them to come along.

PTA Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas Fair is on **Friday 8th December** from 3pm in the School. Please come along and enjoy everything that is on offer.



Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

We will be holding a Christmas Jumper Day on the same day as our whole school Christmas Lunch. Please return your child's food order to the office as soon as possible.

Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas Post Box opens on Monday 11th December. Our Year 6 Prefects will be organising the post for delivery at the end of term. Please make sure full names and classes are written on cards to make sure they reach the intended recipient.

Attendance

Well done to Badgers Class for winning the attendance trophy this week with an attendance of 95%.

KSI Cinema Trip

Many thanks to The Depot in Lewes for hosting The Into Film Festival screening of The Gruffalo. Children in Hedgehogs and Foxes enjoyed a visit last week. Thanks to the parents who helped on the trip.



Netball

Well done to the Year 6 pupils who took part in the Cluster Netball tournament at Chailey last week. They were all fantastic Hamsey ambassadors and showed tremendous teamwork skills.



Storytelling

Hedgehogs and Foxes enjoyed a visit from author Nickhola Susanne La Brooy this week. Nickhola shared a storytelling session with children and parents and donated a percentage of sales of her book 'Wonder Tails' to Sussex Wildlife Rescue. Thank you to the parents who joined us.



Strictly comes to Hamsey!

Congratulations to Luke Curran who took part in the National Grand Finals Latin and Ballroom Competition in Blackpool earlier this month. He achieved 3rd place in the Solo Cha Cha Cha and 6th in the Couples Rumba. Well done Luke!

Swimming

We are delighted that Cumnor House in Danehill have offered swimming tuition to Hamsey pupils in Badgers Class. These sessions will be commencing in January and parents will receive letters confirming the details in the New Year.

Forest Schools

Qualified Forest School Leaders, Rivkah Cummerson and Sarah McLaughlin-Marlow, have organised seasonal, nature inspired events for you to enjoy locally.

Winter Solstice Wild Day- Sunday 17th December - 10am-3pm – ages 7-12 – cost £25.

Seasonal woodland art and crafts, nature connection, wild craft skills and outdoor games.

Winter Solstice Family Day – Thursday 21st December – 10am-12.30pm – suitable for ages 1+ - cost £10 per child.

An extra special way to start the seasonal tidings together.

Please email sarahmacmac@hotmail.co.uk to book your places or call 07980 006680.

This week's Team Point winners

1st	Centaurs
2nd	Dragons
3rd	Griffins
4th	Unicorns

Dates for your diary!

Please note these dates are not exhaustive and can be subject to change.

December 2017	
Tuesday 5th	Open Afternoon 1.30-2.30pm
Wednesday 6 th	Whole School Teams Craft Decoration Afternoon
Thursday 7 th	Mr Dean to meet Foxes Parents 3pm
Friday 8th	KS1 Classes to Beechwood Hall pm Christmas Fair 3.00-5.00pm
Wednesday 13 th	KS1 Nativity 1.45pm
Thursday 14 th	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 15th	Year 6 to Chailey School Production Matinee
Monday 18 th	Foxes Class 'Reindeer Run' in aid of Chestnut Tree House.
Tuesday 19th	WishWorks Puppet Show for whole school (pm)
Wednesday 20th	Last day of Term 2
January 2018	
Tuesday 2 nd	INSET DAY
Wednesday 3 rd	First day back Term 3
Monday 8 th	Hedgehogs Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Tuesday 9th	Foxes Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Wednesday 10th	Owls Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Thursday 11 th	Badgers Curriculum Meeting 3pm
Friday 19 th	Swimming at Cumnor House commences for Badgers Class.
Tuesday 23rd	Parents and Governors Forum 9.00-9.45 am

With best wishes,

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