



Hamsey Community Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our Open Classes and Calculations Workshop earlier this week. Don't forget you can keep up to date on your child's learning by viewing the Class Blogs on the website. You will also be able to download a copy of our Calculations Policy, located under 'Policies'.

Attendance Early Bird Week

Well done to everyone who made a fabulous effort last week to be in school on time, every day. Children have now received their Early Bird attendance certificates and have been entered into a draw to win a family ticket to visit The Depot in Lewes. We are pleased to announce the winner of the draw is Rudy Brown in Badgers Class. Well done to Hedgehogs Class for achieving the highest percentage of children attending daily, winning an extra games session with Mr Munnery.

Safer Internet Day

This year's theme was 'Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you'. A special assembly on Safer Internet Day was followed up with interactive sessions in class.

In Hedgehogs and Foxes, the children described ways in which they could be kind to others offline and online and they explained different ways to keep themselves safe offline and online.

In Badgers and Owls, children discussed recognising positive and negative behaviour online, how their own online behaviour can impact on others' feelings and strategies to resolve online disagreements in a positive and healthy way.

A useful Parent/Carer Education Pack is available at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018>



Science Day

Many thanks to the PTA for funding a fantastic Science Day with Professor Bubbleworks last week. The children had great fun learning about chemical reactions and enjoyed a vast range of activities organised by the Professor and by their teachers.



Good Work

Congratulations to Nao, Isaiah, Roxy, Bonnie, Francis, Oscar H, James and Rowan J for their fantastic work celebrated in 'Good Work' assembly last week.

The work has proudly been displayed in the Hall and the children received certificates and prizes for their efforts.

This week's Team Point winners

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

Well done to Griffins for winning the term's Team Point Challenge. They have chosen for the whole school to enjoy a reward at the beginning of next term.

Seedy Saturday - 3rd February

The Hamsey PTA café at the annual Seedy Saturday event in Lewes was a great success again this year. In total we raised £800 from the sales of cakes and drinks on the day which will go towards activities and projects for the children.

Thank you to absolutely everybody who supported it by loaning equipment, baking, and helping out on the day, it would not have gone so well without you.

A particular thanks to Kirsty, Lou and Jo O for stellar baking efforts, and to Sarah Rose, Daisy, Matilda, Amber, Josie and Tamsyn for helping out on the day. Another great team effort, thank you all!

By Natasha, Kate and Sarah Mac

Filmmaking

The Depot, Lewes is running a Smartphone filmmaking course for 7-12 year olds this month. Over a five week after-school course, Anthony Gates (experienced teacher and filmmaker) will show how to shoot great footage on Smartphones and tablets, and then edit these into brilliant short films. Just bring your device and lots of enthusiasm.

The course runs on Mondays from February 26th to March 26th from 4.30pm-6pm and costs £70. Bookings are online at <https://lewesdepot.org/courses/5-12yrs>

Coats and Wellies

Our new fencing has now been completed in the school field. In order for us all to enjoy the space, at all times of year, it is important that your child brings a coat to school every day.

Please also ensure your child has a pair of named wellies so that they can access the field at all times.

Dates for your diary!

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

February 2018	
Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th	*HALF TERM*
Monday 19 th	First day of Term 4
Thursday 22 nd	KS2 Swimming Gala pm
Tuesday 27 th	Dance Enrichment Project
Wednesday 28 th	Owls Class Assembly 9am
	Batafon Arts Drumming – KSI
March 2018	
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day- Non - Uniform Day TBC
	Tag Rugby Tournament pm Year 5/6- Chailey
Friday 2 nd March	Sebastian Hockaday – Author Visit
Tuesday 6 th March	Dance Enrichment Project - filming
Wednesday 7 th	Badgers Class Assembly 9am
Wednesday 14 th	Foxes Class Assembly 9am
	'Building Resilience' Coffee Morning 10-11am.
Friday 16 th March	Year 6 Patina Fundraiser and Non-Uniform Day.
Monday 19 th – Fri 23 rd	Sports Relief Week TBC
Tuesday 20 th	Owls Trip to Houses of Parliament
Wednesday 21 st	Hedgehogs Class Assembly 9am
	Parent Consultations 4pm-7pm
Thursday 22 nd	Parent Consultations 3.30pm-5.30pm
Thursday 29 th	Last day of Term 4
April 2018	
Monday 16 th	First day of Term 5

We hope you enjoy your half term break and we will see you back on Monday 19th February.

With best wishes,

Gemma Roxburgh
Head of School

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Executive Head