



26th April 2024

Hauxton Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to what promises to be a very busy and exciting Summer Term. I hope you all had a restful Spring break.

As always, May heralds the start of statutory assessments for various year groups across the school. I am very aware that this can be a time of anxiety for children and parents and would urge you to ask your child to talk to your child's classteacher if you have any questions or concerns. There is a lot of advice about how best to support your child online. An internet search of 'SATS advice for parents' threw up a whole host of useful sites when I searched today.

At school, whilst we are working hard with the children to ensure that they perform to the best of their ability in the tests, we are careful to ensure that this is done in a low-key and supportive manner. In fact, the children in KS1 will be unaware that they are being tested; it's just a chance to have some 1:1 time with their teacher showing off their knowledge and skills!

The second half of the Summer Term kicks off with Happy, Healthy fortnight. This will provide the children with a chance to reflect on how to keep themselves physically and mentally healthy and we already have a number of exciting workshops planned. Keep an eye out for further details in upcoming newsletters.

The end of last term feels like a long time ago, but it would be remiss of me not to mention the final total raised by the children who participated in our Big Sleep Out (both in school and at home). Their efforts raised a staggering £986 for Centrepoin to help to tackle homelessness amongst young people. Well done to all of the children and a huge thank you to their families and friends who offered their support.

As ever, the British weather never fails to offer up some surprises. Please ensure that your child comes to school with a coat at this time of changeable weather. With hail, thunder and sunshine in one day last week, it's easy to get caught out and we don't want the children to have an uncomfortable break or lunchtime. Thank you for your support in ensuring your children are equipped for all weathers.

Finally, over the past couple of weeks, it has come to my attention that some of the children are bringing in bubbles from home to play with at lunchtime. This is a fun and appropriate activity for lunchtimes, but it is difficult for us to police the ingredients of bubble mixture brought in from outside school. For this reason, I have agreed to make bubbles available for the children and would request that they do not bring their own mixture from home. Please do let your classteacher know if your child has any sensitivities to bubble mixture so that we can ensure their wellbeing.

Kind Regards, Mrs Hurworth

CLUBS

Tuesday

Gardening Club (Mrs Cooke)
3.15pm to 4.15pm ***FULL***

Wednesday

Multi Sports Club EYFS/KS1
3:15pm to 4:15pm

Wednesday

KS2 Choir (Mrs Parks-Connolly)
3.15pm to 4.00pm

Thursday

Multi Sports Club KS2
3:15pm to 4:15pm

Friday

KS2 Running Club (JS Sport & Education /Mrs Hurworth)
8am to 8.45am

DIARY DATES

6th May 2024

May Day Bank Holiday
SCHOOL CLOSED

11th May 2024

Community Garden Tidy
9am—12 noon

13th—17th May 2024

KS2 SATS Week

20th May—7th June 2024

Happy, Healthy Fortnight

27th—31st May 2024

Half Term
SCHOOL CLOSED

28th June 2024

Sports Day
(back up date: 2nd July 2024)

8th—12th July 2024

Maths Week

19th July 2024

Last Day of Summer Term



Hauxton Book Week

The children had a fantastic time listening to and working with Pippa Goodhart (Author) and David Oates (Illustrator) during our Book Week. They engaged really well with the assemblies and workshops asking lots of relevant questions.

The week ended with a bang as the children and staff dressed as onomatopoeic words and the children took part in a quiz during the Celebration Assembly.

Inspired by the events of the week, we received a number of excellent entries into our story book competition. Mrs Parks-Connolly and I have been busy enjoying reading the stories and look forward to announcing the winners in this week's Celebration Assembly. The winners in each age group will be treated with a trip to a Cambridge bookshop where they will be able to choose a book as their prize.



Sweet treats for birthday celebrations.

Often children bring in sweets or cakes to share with their classmates to mark their birthday. Often these are individually wrapped packets of jelly sweets, such as Haribo. Unfortunately, these sweets often contain gelatin which makes them unsuitable for vegetarians or Muslims. I have been made aware that some supermarkets are now stocking 'gelatin free' sweets which could be an inclusive alternative.



Lost Property!

We have a significant amount of lost property in the school lobby. Clothes that are labelled are much easier to reunite with their owner. Please remember to label all uniform, including cardigans and jumpers.

If you are missing any items, please do take a look.



HARSTON COMMUNITY FOOD HUB

We now have a basket in the school lobby for food donations to support families and individuals in crisis in Hauxton. If you would like to donate, the Food Hub would be very happy to receive donations of long life foods (tinned meat, soups, fruit & vegetables, rice/pasta, sauces etc.), toiletries and pet food. Please help if you can.

