



HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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To love God and to love one another

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Dear Parents,

Read all about it...

We are thrilled to have been able to add an entire set of new books to our wonderful library, courtesy of the PTA's Big Read. The books we have chosen are all on the themes of equality and diversity – something we cherish at Hampreston, where we celebrate uniqueness and respect for one another. I know the children will make excellent use of them, learning about our fantastic world – and its many different people – around us, and know that they will enjoy them for many years to come.



Life Education 'Bus'

We were thrilled to have the Life Ed team in this week and the children all took part in learning and discussions as part of our PSHE curriculum. The children were once again reminded to wear their **SCARF** and had a brilliant time meeting Harold the Giraffe once again – as one teacher commented, 'even the big kids love Harold'!

Drop off Zone

At Hampreston, our values of Respect and Service are at the very heart of our community. We work hard to teach our children what it means to value others and be kind, courteous and considerate and we have high expectations for them to do so – which we are constantly thrilled to see.

We also have high expectations from our adults, including our parents and family members.

Sadly, I have been made aware of a few instances where the very best behaviour has not been modelled by members of our community, especially when using the lane and school Drop Off Zone. I would like to ask that we, as adults, all work together to show our children how to conduct ourselves, even when faced with the frustrations of daily life, such as traffic congestion, or when following the rules with patience and kindness.

Please remember to adhere to the guidelines we have in place for driving and parking in the village, always demonstrating consideration for other people and for the safety of our whole school community.

May I also remind you all that the Drop Off Zone is not to be used as a cut through. Nor should children be left unsupervised until the gates are opened at 8:40am and the parent or member of staff in high-vis is present.

Finally, can we all do our part to protect our world by turning engines off while waiting, especially at the end of the day. There are often people parked well ahead of the end of the school day with engines idling for a significant amount of time. If you do choose to arrive early, please turn off your engines.

Thank you for your understanding. Together, we can show the next generation how great the world can be when we all do our part.



Year 4 BSO

The Year 4 students had an amazing time at the Lighthouse theatre to see the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and found the experience to be very inspiring. The orchestra was nothing short of fantastic, and the students were in awe of the musicians' talent and skill. They were completely immersed in the music and thoroughly enjoyed the concert, especially ABBA's Dancing Queen!



Tennis Tournament



On Thursday 12 Year 3 and 4 children had the opportunity to take part in a Tennis Skill Festival at Ferndown Middle. They completed a tennis circuit working on their co-ordination, reaction time, accuracy, speed and team work.

All the children worked really hard to score as many points for team Hampreston on each activity.



PTA News

Movie Night

Thank you to all who are attending our Summer Movie Night. We hope the children have fun and that it gives the grown-ups some time to relax!

Freeze Pop Fridays

Thank you for your support with this weekly event.

Mufti Day - Friday 9th June

We are asking for bottle donations for the tombola at the Summer Fayre in exchange for mufti clothes.

Saturday 24th June - Summer Fayre

Save the date and keep your fingers crossed for the weather!

If you are able to volunteer to help on the day please get in touch or send an email - pta@hamprestonfirstschool.com

The success and size of this event depends on volunteers so please if you can spare any time on this day it would be greatly appreciated.

Also if you own or work for a business that is in a position to donate a raffle prize or sponsor this event please get in touch with us. Big or small every donation counts and helps to raise money for our school. If you are an upcoming band or musician and would like a platform to show off your talent, then we would love to have you play at the summer fayre - just let us know!

Have a wonderful weekend everybody.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. T. Williams
Headteacher



This Week:

To help support you at home and to spark conversations about learning, here is what the children have been covering this week.

	English	Mathematics
EYFS	<p>This week we have been buzzing to learn about bees! We sung a new version of 'head, shoulders, knees and toes' learning new body parts for a bee including thorax, abdomen, wing, and sting. Beau also very kindly brought in a piece of honeycomb and frame from his bee hive to share with the children. It smelt delicious! We have explored the life cycle of a bee, and how to distinguish a bee from a wasp.</p>	
	<p>In English, we have been writing instructions to teach others how to plant a seed. We have been focussing on spelling tricky words and using a full stop at the end of our sentences. We have also been learning to retell the story of 'Jack and the beanstalk' as part of our rainbow challenges.</p>	<p>In Maths, we have been learning about hexagons and how bee hives are shaped into hexagons. We have also continued our learning about taking away and have practised taking away objects in different objects.</p>
Year 1	<p>In English this week year 1 have retold the story of Handa's Surprise. They created a story map using pictures and then followed each step remembering to add in amazing adjectives to describe all the juicy, delicious fruit and each colourful, cheeky animal along the way. Their writing was so impressive that some children got to show Mr Williams their work.</p>	<p>In maths this week we were sharing objects into equal groups and then writing sentences to identify how many groups there were, how many objects in each group and then how many objects there were in total. We also started our work on fractions; we went on a shape hunt and correctly matched up shapes that had been cut in half. We then practised cutting shapes including jam sandwiches in half, this made us think carefully about each half having to be equal - no one wanted a smaller section of sandwich!</p>
Year 2	<p>This week the children have worked extremely hard completing maths and reading quizzes. They coped well with the changes in routine, the different teachers and the quizzes themselves. Every child has taken the opportunity to show me what they can do and I am incredibly proud of each of them. Well done year 2!</p>	
Year 3	<p>In English this week, the children have written up their newspaper reports on 'Brain Freeze' reflecting on feedback and using their purple pen of progress to edit and fix their draft. I am really pleased with the outcome of their final drafts! We have also been practising the year 3 common exception words so these can be applied correctly in their writing.</p>	<p>This week, year 3 have been looking at units of time. A tricky concept, but all children have persevered with this. With fun songs and rhymes, children have learnt about days, weeks, months and years. Towards the end of the week, children have calculated how many hours in a day, 2 days, 3 days and even a whole week! Keep going year 3!</p>
Year 4	<p>This week the children have been researching into the fascinating life of Cleopatra VII, the last Pharaoh. They have worked in teams to read through lots of different information, make notes and collate ideas into a biography. They have edited these biographies to make them very interesting and chocked full of facts. The children then presented their biographies in a very visually interesting way too.</p>	<p>In maths the children have been finishing off their topic on money by looking at how we use money in our daily lives. They have looked at how to add and subtract different amounts of money, writing their calculations using decimals. They have also solved lots of tricky word problems by working through each one carefully, looking for key information and representing them using different models.</p>



Diary Dates 2022-2023

Summer Term

Friday 26th May

Healthy School Day & Fun Run
Half term begins

Half Term

Monday 5th June

School Opens

Wednesday 7th June

Class Portraits

Saturday 24th June

Summer Fayre

Thursday 29th June

Year 3 Science workshops at Paulton's Park

Friday 30th June

Sports Day

Thursday 20th July

Leavers Service 2pm

Friday 21st July

INSET Day

Year Ends

