



# HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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*To love God and to love one another*

## Summer Term 2023 Newsletter 11

7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents,

The end of the school year continues to draw ever closer and there are signs that the children are beginning to feel the longer summer term. As we head into the penultimate week of term, I know staff and pupils alike will keep going, enjoying these last few days of the 2022/23 school year.

### Transition / Move-Up Day Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Transition Day / Move-Up Day in this coming Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Middle schools have been looking forwards to meeting our Year 4 children and Hampreston teachers are all eager to meet their new classes for September 2023. The morning at Hampreston allows the children to get to know their new teachers a little bit in preparation for the new school year.

### Sports Day Successes



What an amazing turn out last week at our annual Sports Day – it was so good, even the local cows wanted to get in on the action!

The children all had a wonderful time taking part in the activities carousels and running races, all supported by JSC and a team of wonderful Year 8 pupils from Ferndown Middle School. The children



looked amazing dressed in their house colours and I know our sports leader, Mrs Jones, is keen to see more inter-house activities take place next year.



A huge thank you to everyone who made the day a success and a massive WELL DONE to all of our children for showing a spirit of fun, competition and tenacity.

### Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We are advertising for a midday supervisor position within the school. This is a key role for us and we would welcome anyone keen to be involved in the life of the school to apply. Details can be found on the school website and on the [DorsetForYou](https://www.dorsetforyou.com) website. For more details, why not give the office a call? If you know of anyone who may be interested, please put them in touch. Thanks.

### Parent Survey 2023 – Closing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July

It has been brilliant to see such a positive response to this year's parent survey and I am grateful to the many parents who gave a few minutes of their time. We want to get it right and your feedback is such an important part of the process. The survey will close on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July, so this is a final call for your input.

<https://forms.office.com/e/nhc4QrNiWd>



Thank you.

### Private music lessons

If your child will be in Year 2, 3 or 4 from September, and you would like to pay for them to have piano or keyboard lessons at school, please get in touch as soon as possible for the contact details of the peripatetic teacher.



## Books back to school by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July please!

We would like to request that in the next week or two, you hunt high and low at home for any school books that may accidentally have not been returned. We want to start the new year fresh - with full sets of guided reading books in EYFS and Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2 banded books or any books your child has brought home for pleasure.

We understand accidents can happen, so please don't worry, but we would always be grateful if you could tell us if a book cannot be returned through loss or damage, so other children do not miss out. We will not be sending any books home after Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July so we can audit our stock, but of course, you always have our local library to choose from if you want to keep your child hooked on books this summer.

## SEN News

We have been asked to share details of a workshop that is available for parents of a child with ADHD (or on a pathway to diagnosis of ADHD). It is online and costs £24. If you are interested, places can be booked via <https://www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk/parents>

### Supporting a Child with ADHD 2 hour online session



FACE Lead Facilitator, Jane Keyworth  
is delivering this session on 20th July 2023  
as a one off talk from 6pm to 8pm

Book Now Online via  
[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

## PTA News

### School Disco

Our end of year school disco is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. If the weather is warm and dry this will be taking place outside on the field.

EYFS & KS1: 5.30 – 6.15pm and KS2: 6.30 – 7.30pm.

There will be a pocket money/tuck shop, so please send your child prepared.

Whatever you are up to this weekend - whether you are digging out the paddling pool, firing up the barbeque or heading to the beach, have a wonderful and safe weekend. Enjoy the sunshine!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr. T. Williams'.

**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	Reception have been learning all about the Seaside! We learnt to compare the seaside from the Victorian Era to our experiences at the seaside in modern day and built our own sandcastles in the sandpit, complete with shell decorations. We used textured paint to create sandy art and put our drawings skills to work as we drew our own sand castles.	
	In English, we wrote our own version of The Gingerbread Man and we absolutely smashed them! We have been remembering to use our capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and phonics to help us spell. Barney Bear also sent us a postcard from his holiday in Portugal so lots of us chose to write him a reply all about our Sports Day last week.	In Maths, we have been exploring a new resource; cuisenaire rods and using them to build shapes. We linked the size and colours to different numbers and used them to measure the width and length of different images.
Year 1	This week in English year 1 have finished retelling the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. They used brilliant adjectives for the different characters, fantastic speech and tried to include a traditional fairy tale ending to their story.	In maths this week, year 1 have worked at telling the time to the hour and to half past the hour. We learnt that the minute hand is the big hand and the hour hand is the small hand. We used pretend clocks to show different times and challenge our partners.
Year 2	This week in English the children have finished their tourist brochures. They have done an excellent job of including imperative verbs and have thought carefully about what activities would attract visitors. They have illustrated them beautifully and I look forward to displaying them. We have also written an evaluation of our Guatemalan worry dolls, the children have been very reflective and thought about how they would improve them.	In Maths this week we have finished our position and direction unit. We have described turns using quarter, three quarters, clockwise and anticlockwise. We have described movement and made shape patterns. The children have also been practising their reasoning skills, thinking about how they solved the problem.
KS2	The children in KS2 have been working incredibly hard this week. They have been practising their lines for the play, acted as a group and produced some of the most incredible singing that Hampreston has ever heard! They performed to their first audience on Thursday and were met with riotous applause. The children are all <i>buzzing</i> for next week and the opportunity to share all of their hard work with you.	



## Diary Dates 2022-2023

### Summer Term

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

PTA Disco

Leavers Service 2pm

INSET Day

Year Ends

