



HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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To love God and to love one another

Autumn Term 2022 - Newsletter 2

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Dear Parents

It was lovely to see so many of you at this week's Meet the Teacher evening. I'm sure you will agree that the school looks amazing, showing how hard all our wonderful staff have worked during the summer break. The children have settled into school life incredibly well and there has been a heady mixture of smiles and hard work this week.

Reading Room Opening – Friday 23rd September

There were some disappointed faces on Wednesday as people hoped to sneak a glimpse of the new Reading Room. Sadly, it was not quite ready, having only received the last few pieces of furniture this morning! However, the staff and I are so excited to get the Reading Room ready for use and I know the children are all eager to see what is behind those doors.

Therefore, next Friday 23rd September, we will be opening the Reading Room up for the first time. During the day, the children will have the opportunity take a look around with their teachers and I would like to make it available after school for the rest of our community to have a nose around. The Reading Room will be open between 3:15pm and 4pm next Friday to give everyone a chance to see it. We are planning a more formal opening in order to thank all of the contributors to the project and dates will be published as soon as we are able.

The Reading Room itself will start to be used from the week beginning 26th September where possible. There is a fair amount of sorting needed and we are grateful to Mrs Watts for her help with this. I am sure she would welcome extra hands if you are willing, so why not let the office know?

Next week will be a really exciting time and I look forward to opening the doors on Friday.

Fraser Portraits

Fraser Portraits will be coming into school to take photographs of all the children on Thursday 22nd September. The children wear school uniform as usual and, in addition to the individual picture, children with a sibling in school will automatically have a joint photo.

It is possible for pre-school siblings to be photographed at the start of the day, but we cannot accommodate older children who have moved on to other schools. The photographer plans to start taking pictures of children with pre-school siblings between 8.30am and 9am in the school hall, on a first come first served basis.

Medicines in School

May we remind you that should your child require any medicines administered within the school day by staff, including asthma inhalers; you will need to complete a medical form.

All individual medicines kept in the school office (Calpol/Piriton etc) also require a renewal form before we can carry on administering them. Thank you.

Drop-off Zone Volunteers Wanted!!

We are very fortunate to have our drop-off zone to make the morning drop-off a little easier. We have always had a number of kind parents willing to don a hi-vis jacket, grab the walkie-talkie and supervise the gate.

We still need a few more people who would be willing to staff the drop-off zone between 8:40 and 8:50.

This is a really important part of school life and aids the whole community. If you are able to offer any help, please contact the office by email.



Volunteers needed!

Would you, or anyone you know be willing to help us? We are looking for kind-hearted souls who would be willing to help with the following:

Library book labelling (an immediate, one-off job that could be done with a friend - we will provide the coffee and biscuits!)

Putting up displays - (a little experience is preferable, especially if you are making the images and words for the display)

Regular library tidy and sort - once weekly (about an hour).

If you think you can help, please contact Mrs Richardson on: sen@hamprestonfirstschool.com

School Admissions – September 2023

It is that time of year already. Even though we have just started this year, if you have a child in year 4 or a child due to start school in September 2023, it is time to consider your applications. Letters will be sent to our year 4 families and more information is available on the [Dorset Council website](#).

Nut Allergy

Please remember that **we are a nut-free school**. We do have a number of children who have extreme nut allergies. Please do not to send snacks or lunch into school that contain any nuts, as contact with these can have severe consequences. Thank you for your understanding.

PTA News

Donut Day

Donut Day is back! We all deserve a treat now and again and this is a sweet treat favourite! Donuts will be sold in the playground at pickup for £1 each on Friday 23rd September. If you wish to pre-order multiples please send an email to the PTA and we can have them ready for you to collect -

pta@hamprestonfirstschool.com

Pre-Loved Uniform

A reminder that we are still collecting pre-loved uniform including white polos, trainers and shoes (in good clean condition please!). Please bring to drop-off and give to a PTA member or contact Tanya Sherren to arrange drop off - 07914 634095. The next sale will be in the playground at pickup on 23rd September. Come and grab a winter uniform bargain!

Christmas Jumpers

I know it seems early to mention butIn readiness for Christmas Jumper Day we are planning a pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale. We are ready and waiting to receive your pre-loved Christmas Jumpers (both child and adult sizes), in good clean condition. So if you have Christmas Jumpers in your wardrobe that are no longer needed or no longer fit from previous years, why not have a sort out this weekend and make some space in your wardrobe! You can pass them to a PTA member at drop-off or leave them outside reception. We will check this area daily.

I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend and have the chance to spend time with those you love, especially on Monday as the world stops to mark the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. I trust you will all find a space to mark the day in your own way.

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>Week 2 has been another great week in Reception. We have started learning our lunchtime and home time prayers through singing and chanting. We have also been mark making into sand, building brick houses and playing families in the Roleplay area. We have been doing some special jobs in our Literacy and Maths, getting ready for learning phonics and maths next week. We can't wait to have all the children in next Tuesday.</p>	
Year 1	<p>Year 1 have continued to work use the book 'You Choose' to help them write super sentences about their pets and pets that they would choose. Look out for the requests of pet dragons and pet unicorns! They have been working really hard to use finger spaces between each word and forming their letters correctly.</p>	<p>In maths we have worked hard on recognising numerals as words and answering some tricky questions containing a mix of both. We have also told each other stories using the idea of '1 more' and have identified 1 more than a given number up to 10 using dice.</p>
Year 2	<p>This week in English we have completed an independent write. We imagined what it would be like to be trapped in the school overnight and what mischief we would get up to! I was very impressed by the imaginative ideas and the way the children used their phonic knowledge to support their spelling.</p>	<p>In Maths we have been practicing recognising 10s and 1s in numbers, using a place value chart and a part-part whole model. The children have worked really hard to recognise the different ways to partition numbers and the different ways to record it.</p>
Year 3	<p>We have been looking at expanded noun phrases this week, focusing on the story of 'The Hodgehog'. The children have wowed me with the descriptive vocabulary they have used to describe the hedgehog and the setting of the story. I have also seen some wonderful handwriting!</p>	<p>This week in maths, we have continued with place value. We have been using base 10 and place value counters to find hundreds, tens and ones in 3-digit numbers. We have also learnt how to partition 3-digit numbers using a part whole model and number sentences. I have been very impressed with their maths work this week.</p>
Year 4	<p>In English we have enjoyed using the book How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth as a starting point for writing our own instructions. We have researched facts about woolly mammoths to discover some of the problems that we would need to overcome to wash one. We then used imperative verbs when writing our own instructions. We have also used prepositions to explain how or where we would use the items in our woolly mammoth cleaning kits.</p>	<p>In maths we started to focus on numbers with 4-digits. We have looked at the composition of multiples of 1,000 by exploring how many hundreds they are made of. We have represented numbers up to 10,000 using base ten, place value counters, place vale charts and Gattegno charts. We have partitioned numbers up to 10,000 in different ways.</p>

Diary Dates 2022-2023

Autumn Term	
Monday 19th September	Closed for Bank Holiday
Wednesday 21 st September	EYFS/KS1 Phonics Workshop 6:30pm
Thursday 22 nd September	Fraser Portraits – Individual Photographs
Friday 23rd September	Reading Room opening 3:15pm
Monday 26 th September	Year 4 swimming starts
Thursday 29 th September	Year 3 to Leeson House
Friday 30 th September	The Black Belt Academy class activities
Friday 7 th October	McMillan Coffee Afternoon (PTA)
Tuesday 18 th October	Harvest Festival Service – 9:30am
Friday 21 st October	Year 4 trip to Stonehenge
	Healthy School Day & Walk-2-School Morning
	Half term begins
Half Term	
Monday 31 st October	School Opens
Tuesday 8 th November	Parent Consultations 3-6pm
Wednesday 9 th November	Parent Consultations 5-8pm
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
	PTA Fireworks Event
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Odd Socks Day
Friday 18 th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 23 rd November	Year 4 Dudson Camp
	No Pens Wednesday
Monday 28 th November	Enterprise Week
Tuesday 29 th November	Flu Immunisations
Friday 2 nd December	Enterprise Afternoon 2:30pm
Tuesday 6 th December	KS2 Carols by Candlelight
Monday 12 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity
Tuesday 13 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Party Afternoon
Friday 17 th December	Christingle Service 1pm
	Last day of term
Spring Term	
Tuesday 3 rd January	Proposed – INSET DAY
Friday 3 th February	Big Me Day (tbc)
Tuesday 7 th February	Internet Safety Day
Friday 10 th February	Healthy School Day & Walk-2-School Morning
	Half term begins
Half Term	
Monday 20 th February	School Opens
Friday 31 st March	Easter Service 1pm
	Last day of term
Summer Term	
Monday 17 th April	Proposed INSET Day
Friday 26 th May	Healthy School Day & Fun Run
	Half term begins
Half Term	
Monday 5 th June	School Opens
Wednesday 7 th June	Class Portraits
Friday 30 th June	Sports Day
Friday 21 st July	Leavers Service 2pm
	Year Ends