



HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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Newsletter 8
Autumn Term 2021

5th November 2021

Dear Parents

Remembrance Day

As part of the act of remembrance, we will be having a special Remembrance Day Collective Worship in school at 11:00am on Thursday 11th November, marking the armistice and paying our respects. This will be held outside and we invite those children who have them (to wear a poppy (and a coat too please!). We will also welcome a special member of staff who will play the Last Post for us all.

Anti-bullying Week – Odd Socks Day!

Monday 15th November 2020 is Odd Socks Day! This is a national day that happens at the start of Anti-bullying week to symbolise that we are all unique and united. Therefore, we would like to invite your child to wear odd socks to school on this day, in addition to their school uniform, in support of Anti-bullying week. We look forward to seeing all your odd and unique socks, the brighter, and crazier the better!

Parents Wanted - EYFS

In Reception Class next half term, we are spending all of November on the topic of People who Help Us. If you or a family member are a Vet, Doctor/Nurse, Dentist, Builder, Fire fighter or Police Officer and could come into school to tell us all about your/their vocation please could you contact Miss Humphrys via her email at; n.humphrys@hampreston.dorset.sch.uk - Many thanks in advance.

Volunteers

We are always hugely grateful to volunteers who are willing to give their time to help the children. We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Mrs Jones who has been coming in to school for several years voluntarily to read with children and to help on school visits. We definitely think she deserves a rest now! A big thank you also to the parents who have kindly helped on school visits so far this year.

We would love some occasional help keeping the garden courtyard tidy at the very front of school. The Friends did such a good job giving it a makeover last summer and we would like to maintain it.

We would also love reading volunteers - if you are a parent, carer or grandparent who would enjoy coming in to share a favourite children's story or poetry with a class for just 15 minutes, please contact your child's teacher via the year group email address to arrange a suitable time. Having a variety of different adults reading to them for enjoyment gives such a positive to children.

Uniform Amnesty

Please would you all take a moment over the weekend to ensure that any uniform at home belongs to your child and has not been brought home by mistake. As you can imagine this happens from time to time and we would appreciate your support in this. Any wayward uniform can be handed in to the school office.



From the Log Books:

As a look back at Hampreston's past, here is what was happening at school then:

- November 1865: *Wednesday 8th – Captain Biddle came and examined 1st class in mental arithmetic and reading and looked at the copy books and said all was very good.*
- November 1882: *9th – The Miss Pateys visited the school. Received for the school use:
6 dozen copy books
Form and colour box for infants
1 bottle of ink
1 quire of blotting paper.*
- November 1914: *5th – A very wet morning. Owing to an exceptionally heavy shower at a quarter to nine, twenty children arrived wet through ; these were sent home. 71 children remained. Registers were marked. No gardening taken.*
- November 1920: *11th – The anniversary of Armistice Day and the burial of the "Unknown soldier" in Westminster Abbey were observed by a two minutes silence at 11.00 o'clock. A short prayer was then said by the Head Teacher followed by the doxology and the national 54 anthem. During the lesson, 11.30 to 12.00, a short instruction was given on the meaning of today's ceremonies.*
- November 1927: *2nd – Miss Elliott (welfare nurse) visited the school this morning and examined all the children as to cleanliness.*
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I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

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
Reception	<p>This week in English, we read two People Who Help Us texts about being a Vet and a Firefighter, we used this to learn all about these careers and we now know lots of facts and information including what tools and equipment they have.</p> <p>In our phonics work, we have learnt the sounds f and l before completing a phonic assessment so that we can check the children will be on the appropriate level reading books next week.</p>	<p>In maths, we have problem solved using 5. We planned a 5th birthday party with 5 of everything...</p> <p>We have also learnt about Bonfire Night and Guy Fawkes and have made lovely firework rockets, firework paintings and a guy paper puppet.</p>
Year 1	<p>This week in literacy, the children incorporated adjectives and onomatopoeia into some super poems about fireworks and bonfire night. We also introduced the idea of an acrostic poem, which was a really fun challenge.</p>	<p>In maths, we have consolidated our subtraction skills and worked on some word problems. Year 1 also built on their comparing numbers topic by comparing simple number sentences using $</>/=$. They managed this extremely well.</p>
Year 2	<p>This week in English we have been learning about the Great Fire of London. We have sequenced the events and have started planning our own diary in the style of Samuel Pepys, the children have come up with some excellent descriptions of what it would be like to wake up and find London on fire!</p>	<p>In Maths we have been using the column method to add and subtract tens and add 2 digit and 1 digit numbers. The children have used a range of resources to practice these skills. We have experimented with different resources to find out the best way to solve calculations.</p>
Year 3	<p>Year 3 have got off to a crackling start with descriptive firework writing. We are focussing on building a sentence correctly using a clause/conjunction/clause/full stop. Commas are being used to separate adjectives. Our whole class text is <i>Will Solvit and the Deadly Gladiator</i>, which is proving a very popular time travelling adventure! We will be learning further homophones for spellings this week.</p>	<p>In Maths, we are working on addition and subtraction using exchange in the ones and tens column. A short, recorded demonstration of the method will be on Seesaw on Friday, so you can practise at home to help your child gain confidence. Please keep going to make sure your child is secure with their number bonds to 20 and their 3 x and 4 x table. Thank you!</p>
Year 4	<p>It has been great to get back to learning this week and the children have certainly taken this in their stride! Thank you to all of the families that made their own Stonehenge over half term. The children loved looking through these and talking about the fun that they had in creating them.</p> <p>In English lessons this week we have been focussing on the range of interesting and descriptive language that you find in poetry. The children used similes and metaphors to describe themselves and others; chose powerful verbs to describe animals and answered comprehension questions about poems.</p>	<p>In maths we have looked at using the column method to solve subtractions using 4-digit numbers. The children have thought carefully about when they might need to EXCHANGE (we do not say 'borrow' any more) and how to do this. We also started to use our knowledge of commutativity (being able to change the order of numbers in a problem without changing the result) to solve missing number problems.</p>

Diary Dates 2021-2022

Autumn Term	
Friday 5 th November	Friends Mufti-Day
Tuesday 9th November	Parent Consultations 3:30-5:30pm
Wednesday 10th November	Parent Consultations 4:30-6:30pm
Thursday 11th November	Remembrance Day
	Parent Consultations 5:30-7:30pm
Wednesday 17 th November	AFC Bournemouth Road Safety Workshops
Thursday 18 th November	AFC Bournemouth Citizenship Workshops
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need Day
Monday 22 nd November	Year 4 trip to Dudsbury Camp
Wednesday 24 th November	'No Pens' Wednesday
Friday 26 th November	Friend's Mufti-Day
	Friend's Christmas Wreath Workshop
Monday 29 th November	Enterprise Week
Tuesday 30 th November	Flu Immunisations
Friday 3 rd December	Enterprise Afternoon 2:30pm
Saturday 4 th December	Friend's Christmas Fair 11am-3pm
Tuesday 7 th December	KS2 Carols by Candlelight
Monday 13 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity
Tuesday 14 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity
Friday 17 th December	Christingle Service 1pm
	Last day of term
Spring Term	
Tuesday 4th January	INSET DAY
Wednesday 5 th January	School Opens
Friday 4 th February	Big Me Day
Tuesday 8 th February	Internet Safety Day
Friday 18 th February	Healthy School Day & Walk2School Morning
	Half term begins
Half Term	
Monday 28 th February	School Opens
Tuesday 1 st March	Year 4 Pancake race
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day
Tuesday 8 th March	Parent Consultations 5-8pm
Wednesday 9 th March	Parent Consultations 3-6pm
Friday 8 th April	Easter Service 1pm
	Last day of term
Summer Term	
Monday 25 th April	Proposed INSET Day
Friday 27 th May	Healthy School Day & Fun Run
	Half term begins
Half Term	
Monday 6th June	School Closed for Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th June	School Opens
Thursday 16 th June	Class Portraits
Friday 1 st July	Sports Day
Friday 22 nd July	Leavers Service 2pm
	Year Ends

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