



HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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To love God and to love one another

Newsletter 09

Summer Term 2022

1st July 2022

Dear Parents,

Here is the latest news from Hampreston.

Transition Morning (Day)

It has been an exciting week and the children have been eagerly anticipating meeting their new teachers, some children even waving flappy arms in excitement. I know that they have all had a wonderful time meeting teachers both familiar and new, doubtless they have lots to tell you about this weekend. It was a pleasure to welcome Miss Craddock, Mrs Jones and Miss Richards to school today – and to see Mrs Bebbington in her new role for the day. I think the children are all in for a great year.

Summer Fayre



It was amazing to see such a fantastic turn out for this year's Summer Fayre. We were lucky with the weather and it proved to be a great way to spend the afternoon. I know many of you will have enjoyed the various stalls and activities hosted by our wonderful PTA and staff. There were some great stalls and activities on offer, from cakes and muffins, to the deliciously moist burgers at the barbeque tent. A particular thank you to Riley for manning the 'Beat the Goalie' stall for most of the day!



My thanks go to everyone involved for the monumental effort and time put into the first Fayre in several years. Seeing the school community come together and enjoy the day was brilliant. I would also like to thank the staff for supporting the event, especially those willing ~~victims~~ volunteers for 'Soak the Teacher'. I was grateful for the mad rush after yours truly took to the 'stocks'! The children all had a wonderful day and I must congratulate the PTA for a very successful day of fun and fund-raising.



We are absolutely thrilled to announce that the total raised from the Summer Fayre for 2022 is: £1,838!

Summer Reading Challenge – 'Gadgeteers'

Your child will receive a bookmark sometime next week, courtesy of the Arts Council which promotes the summer reading challenge themed named 'Gadgeteers'. The Gadgeteers are fictional characters based on science and innovation - we think they will appeal to lots of our young readers! We strongly recommend the challenge for all the children at Hampreston to keep up their reading habits over the long period away from school. We would be very sad to think that children associate reading as something they have to do for school, and we love to offer as many 'reading for enjoyment' opportunities as we can. Sign up any time from 25th June at your local library and join your child lying in the garden with a book whenever you can!

We hope all of your children have enjoyed reading their complimentary Jubilee book this week.



Books back to school by Friday 15th July please!

On the theme of books, we would like to request that in the next couple of weeks you hunt high and low at home for any school books that may accidentally not have been returned. We want to start the new term afresh with full sets of guided reading books in Key Stage 1, books that your child has brought home for pleasure or Key Stage 2 library books. We understand accidents can happen, so please don't worry but we would always be grateful if you could communicate 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 15th July so we can audit our stock, but of course, you always have Bug Club and your local library to choose from.

Sports Day



After being run behind closed doors last year, it was a privilege to open the school once again for our annual Sports Day. Ackie, Ross and the wonderful volunteers from Ferndown Middle School helped to make the day a real success. However, the true stars of the day were our amazing children. They all tried so hard in their activities and races and it was a joy to watch them work together and also compete as individuals.



My thanks to Mr McNally, JSC and our brilliant PTA for all the effort and work that went into making this year's sports day so enjoyable. Well done to all of our children for showing such enthusiasm and taking part, and particularly to our finalists in the races!

KS2 Performance

Please save the date, further details, including how to book tickets, will be coming soon.

Monday 11th July – 6.30pm

Tuesday 12th July – 1.30pm & 6.30pm

PTA News

Uniform Donations & Pre-Loved Sale

The Friends will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale at pick-up on Wednesday 13th July. This will be a great opportunity to buy items for the next academic year, so please do come and have a browse. At 50p per item, how can you afford not to!

We shall also be collecting any unwanted uniform, in good clean condition, at drop-offs from Monday 4th July. There will be a box on the bench outside the office where donations can be left, which will be picked up each day. School shoes are also welcomed.

End of Year Disco

Time to dig out those dancing shoes! The end of year disco will be on Friday 8th July. Similar to last year, it will take place in two halves. The KS1 disco will be from 5.30pm - 6.15pm and KS2 from 6.30pm - 7.30pm. If the weather is fine, the fun will be on the field, otherwise in the school hall. The Friends will also run a small tuck shop and pocket money stall which the children can visit after their disco.

I hope that the next few days are filled with fun and laughter – and not least some exciting tales of the week!
Take care and have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Williams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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 have been learning the story of the Gingerbread man. We can now retell the story well and have written speech bubbles for the different characters as well as wanted posters.</p> <p>In Let's Explore, we have continued our castle work, practised our scissor skills by making gingerbread men, solved playdough gingerbread men challenges, re-told the story in the puppet theatre and much more.</p> <p>In our PSHE (SCARF) session we have also started our unit on our bodies, growing and developing from babies to being elderly too.</p>	<p>In maths, our focus has solely been on number bonds. We have practised these with equipment such as the numicon tiles and our fingers, we have sung them and mentally recalled them.</p>
Year 1	<p>This week in English, we have spent time editing sentences with incorrect punctuation and other errors. This has encouraged the children to critique their own writing and consider the grammar rules they have learnt this year.</p>	<p>We have been very busy in maths this week. The children studied money; they have learnt to recognise coins and notes and understand their value. We have also begun to study position and direction by learning about whole, half and quarter turns.</p>
Year 2	<p>This week in English we have been writing postcards to describe our imaginary trip to Crabby Spit inspired by the story At The Beach by Roland Harvey. The children have been very creative thinking about what they may get up to, including sandcastle competitions and flying down waterslides into the sea! The children have worked really hard this week to include our Vocab Ninja words in their writing.</p>	<p>In Maths we have been continuing with our time unit. The children have worked really hard to work out the start and end times of activities and explaining how long the activities take altogether. We have also completed end of term assessments and the children have really showcased the progress they have made this year.</p>
Year 3	<p>This week Year 3 have been working hard to show how much progress they have made with their reading comprehension skills. Our spelling focus is on word families, (groups of words that fit into a certain set of letter patterns with the same root word, e.g., help / help / helpless / helpful / unhelpful.)</p>	<p>We have been revising all the maths knowledge and skills we have learnt in the summer term and continuing with our new topic on angle and shape. This week we have learnt about right angles and can use the correct vocabulary to compare angles that are bigger (obtuse) or smaller (acute) than a right angle.</p>
Year 4	<p>This week the children have been reflecting on their time in Hampreston and looking forward to the new beginnings in September. They have been planning, drafting and writing a letter to their new teacher so that they can introduce themselves and head into Transition Day on a very positive note.</p>	<p>In maths they have been finishing the topic of shape by looking at different quadrilaterals, lines of symmetry in shapes and finishing symmetrical figures. The children have also started their final topic of position by looking at co-ordinates and having lots of fun drawing using co-ordinates.</p>

Diary Dates 2021-2022

Summer Term

Friday 8 th July	PTA Disco
Monday 11 th July	KS2 Performance @ 6.30pm
Tuesday 12 th July	KS2 Performance @ 1.30pm
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Friday 22 nd July	Leavers Service 2pm
	Year Ends

Term Dates for Academic Year 2022/2023

Autumn Term 2022

First Day	Monday 5th September 2022
Half term	Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October 2022
Last Day	Friday 16th December 2022

Spring Term 2023

First Day	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Half term	Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023
Last Day	Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023

First Day	Monday 17th April 2023
Half Term	Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023
Last Day	Friday 21st July 2023

In addition, the school will be **closed** on the following dates for staff training:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

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Monday 1st May 2023 – Bank Holiday