



# HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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*To love God and to love one another*

**Spring Term 2023  
Newsletter 17**

**20<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

Dear Parents

A huge thank you – and well done – to everyone for battling the many and varied weather and road issues this week. With road closures and black ice, it certainly has been a tricky time travelling to and from school, but at least the school has been warm and the children have all had a brilliant week.

## Year 4 Swimming

Our swimming at Canford School resumes on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in helping with transportation, but if there are any other willing volunteers, please contact Mrs Bentley.



## Home – School Agreement

If you haven't already completed the 2022-23 Home–School Agreement please click [here](#) or follow the QR code. Many thanks.

## Drop Off Zone

We are very fortunate to have our drop-off zone to make the morning drop-off a little easier, however.....**We still need a few more people who would be willing to staff the drop-off zone between 8:40 and 8:50, particularly on a Wednesday and Thursday.** 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. Sadly, if we do not have any volunteers come forwards, we may not be able to operate the drop off on those days.

## Weekly Presentation Prizes

At Hampreston, we want every single child to be proud of the way they present their work in their books. This week we were most impressed with the excellent effort made by the following children:

- Rec - Max G
- Y1 - Lola
- Y2 - Mali
- Y3 - Eva-Mae
- Y4 - Sophie

Who will it be next week?

## Ferndown Community Support – Saturday Brunch Club

FCS, known for providing community support and the food bank+ and community Larder in Ferndown and beyond, is launching one of its first new 2023 initiatives to further support the East Dorset area. It's Saturday Brunch Club for under 16's and their family will provide a warm and welcoming space with tea and toast, snacks, activities including arts and crafts, construction, dolls, cars and dinosaurs, sensory play, baby and toddler area, board games, homework club, nature table, and special guest visitors such as benefits



advisors, police, fire etc. Launching from this Saturday (21<sup>st</sup>), please see Poster attached or visit [www.ferndowncommunitysupport.org.uk](http://www.ferndowncommunitysupport.org.uk) for more information.

### Collection Arrangements/parking

Please be mindful that next Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January, there is a funeral being conducted at All Saints church, Hampreston at 2.30pm. This may affect parking during pick up time. We have spoken to our friends at Haskins and they have kindly agreed that parents may use their car park next Friday afternoon whilst collecting their children. Many thanks for your understanding.

### PTA News

#### AGM

The date for this years' AGM is Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm – please save the date.

#### Donate Your Christmas Jumpers

Give your used Christmas Jumpers a new life. Any items donated in January will be used in a Christmas Jumper sale event in November! Please place any jumpers, dresses or other festive clothing in a bag and leave on the bench outside the school office where we will pick it up. Please ensure donations are in a clean and saleable condition.

#### Pre-Loved Uniform and Book Sale - 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023

We are almost half way through the school year! Have your children had a growth spurt since September and now need the next size up in their uniform? You don't have to go out and spend lots of money on new uniform. The Friends of Hampreston are here to help and will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January after school in the playground 3pm - 3.30pm. All non logo items will be 50p each and as it's our January sale, it is buy one get one free! We have lots of trousers, skirts, pinafores, PE items and shoes. If you are feeling organised you could get summer uniform items too! All logo items are £1.

Alongside the pre-loved uniform will be a pre-loved book sale. 3 books for £1. Come along and grab a bargain.

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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
EYFS	<p>Reception have been on an icy adventure this week with our theme: Antarctica! We asked the big question: How do Antarctic animals stay warm in the icy water? And investigated using icy water of our own! We have been enjoying the colder weather and created ice paintings as well as creating beautiful Antarctica collages.</p> <p>In English, we have continued retelling the story of 'Chicken Licken' and have challenged ourselves to write CCVC words (e.g. frog) listening out for the hidden sound. In phonics, we have learnt 4 more digraphs /oo/ /oo/ /ar/ /or/ and have been learning to read and write these in words.</p>	<p>In Maths, we have been exploring different ways to make the numbers 4 and 5. We have been using different resources and objects to build each number and find other numbers hidden inside.</p>
Year 1	<p>This week in English we have been looking at different question words. We have practised asking each other questions orally to help us find out facts about some of our toys. We then wrote our questions down using as many of the different question words as we could. We also learned to use Kung Fu punctuation to help us remember to use capital letters, question marks, full stops and exclamation marks in our writing. I'm sure the children would love to give you a demonstration of this at home!</p>	<p>In maths, we have continued to grow our knowledge of numbers between 11-20. We looked closely at the number 20, finding different ways to represent the number using practical resources such as cubes, 10 frames, string beads and rekenreks. The children also played a bean bag game to work out different ways of making 20 using the numbers 10 and 5.</p>
Year 2	<p>This week in English we have been using non-fiction books to investigate the habitat of Antarctic penguins. The children have really enjoyed looking up facts about where penguins live, how they have adapted to their environment and what they look like. The children have then gone on to write fact files to showcase their findings.</p>	<p>In Maths this week we have finished our shape unit and started our money unit. We have counted pence, pounds and practiced using our mathematical vocabulary to help solve reasoning problems.</p>
Year 3	<p>This week, year 3 have loved reading Beowulf and learning about legends. They are getting ready to write their own legends next week. I have been so impressed with their enthusiasm for this and I look forward to reading their stories at the end of next week.</p>	<p>This week, year 3 have worked so hard persevering with division with remainders. We used lots of concrete resources which allowed them to see the remainders. All children have worked extremely hard with their time tables and this is really showing.</p>
Year 4	<p>This week the children have been planning, writing and editing their own 'narrow escape' recount. The children have built on their work from the previous weeks and really tried to include as much tension and descriptive language into their writing as they can. It has been great!</p>	<p>In maths the children have been learning how to multiply 2-digit and 3-digit numbers by a single digit number. They have used practical methods as well as starting to use more formal, written methods to solve the multiplications. They have also started looking at how to divide a 2-digit number by a single digit number by using partitioning to help make it easier.</p>



## Diary Dates 2022-2023

### Spring Term

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Year 4 Swimming Starts
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	EYFS Class Hearing Checks
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	EYFS Class Vision Screening Checks
Friday 3 <sup>th</sup> February	Big Me Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Internet Safety Day
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Healthy School Day & Walk-2-School Morning
	Mental Health Day
	Half term begins

### Half Term

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	School Opens
	PTA AGM 6pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Parent Consultations
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair Week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Enterprise Week
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 4 Solar Farm Visit
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Enterprise Afternoon
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Service 1pm
	Last day of term

### Summer Term

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET Day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra
	Life Education 'Bus' Visit – SCARF Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Life Education 'Bus' Visit – SCARF Day
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Healthy School Day & Fun Run
	Half term begins

### Half Term

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	School Opens
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Portraits
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Leavers Service 2pm</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
	<b>Year Ends</b>

