



HAMPRESTON CE (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

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To love God and to love one another

Newsletter 03

Summer Term 2022

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Dear Parents,

We have finally completed a full five-day week back after several shorter weeks and the children have all been brilliant, if not a little shocked. Here is this week's news and information.

New Starters Evening

It was great to host an information evening once again for our new September 2022 starters – our first face to face since 2020! We had an amazing turnout and were able to welcome families old and new into the Hampreston community. My thanks to members of the Governing Body and the PTA for giving up their time to attend, support and help welcome new families!

John Thornton Young Achievers Foundation

On Wednesday it was my privilege to join other local headteachers and members of the community at an event hosted by the John Thornton Young Achievers Foundation in Ferndown. They have been long-time friends of Hampreston and regularly support us with donations to further the children's wellbeing.

This year the JTYAF have marked the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a special award for local projects, setting aside £34,000 for projects in Ferndown schools for special enrichment projects aimed at supporting the mental health and well-being of children. Through this award, Hampreston has received a £6,000 donation towards the upcoming Reading Room project, for which we are truly grateful.

Why not visit <https://www.jtyaf.org/blog/jubilee-fund-jtyaf-awards-34000-to-local-schools> to find out more?

Jubilee Tea

Plans are coming together for our celebration of the Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27th May and we would like to invite parents to join us for 1:30pm. The afternoon will start with some singing and performances from the children, before we all settle down for a picnic cream tea. The children will be able to join you as we picnic on the field and we would love you to bring your picnics to join this event. You are welcome to bring picnic blankets, scones, cream, jam and lashings of tea – or whatever else takes your fancy.

For those children whose parents aren't able to join us, their class teachers will play 'mum' and sit together with them. We are hoping to also provide them with a cream tea, but would welcome any donations of scones, cream or jams to help us with that. Any donations will be collected at the start of the school day to help us ensure we have enough for all the children.

Why not join us in your best red-white-and-blue finery? We can't wait to see you then.

PTA Events

Quiz Night – Friday 20th May

There is still time to grab yourself a ticket for this year's Quiz Night! It is a fantastic event and has long been a staple in the school calendar. Mr McNally and I will be hosting the quiz on a night of fun, fish and chips and maybe something fizzy to get the brain cells firing. Tickets are on sale next week for a mere £10 including a fish and chip supper. Why not get together a great team and see whether you can take home the bragging rights this year?



Old Uniform

Before Easter, the PTA put out a plea for any old uniform which can be magically transformed into bunting. With a total donation of one summer dress, they are keen for any other donations to help make the current bunting look a little less sad. If you have any old bits of uniform – jumpers, cardigans or polo shirts – that won't make it through another wearing, please let the PTA know.

Red, White and Blue Mufti Day – Friday 27th May

To coincide with the Queen's Jubilee celebrations, the children are invited to come into school on Friday 27th May dressed in Red, White and Blue. Clothing can be as simple or as fun as you like, but we kindly ask that children do not wear football shirts.

Summer Fair Stalls

As we start thinking about the warmer days to come, the Summer Fair is fast approaching. If you are a business owner (or know of any) who would like to buy a pitch for a stall on the day, please contact the PTA who will be able to give you all the information you need.

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:

Reception Annabelle
Year 1 Rupert
Year 2 Orla
Year 3 Logan
Year 4 Isabella G

Who will it be next week?

The Big Battery Hunt

Do you have lots of old batteries lying around at home? We need your help to collect as many batteries as we can by 10th June for the UK's Big Battery Hunt. We want to do our part to help to recycle batteries instead of sending them to landfill and we could be in with a chance of winning some great prizes for our school too.

From Monday, every class will have their own recycling box so have a good hunt around at home and bring them all in! Why not get the rest of the family involved too? Every battery that we recycle is one less that will end up in landfill. The school council will be helping to count up the final tally of the batteries after half term. Let's get recycling!

Recycling

Another full box of dead pens; thank you very much! These will go to the Wimborne Win on Waste collection point at the Methodist church hall opposite the Minster this Saturday. They collect all sorts which raises money for charity and is upcycled. Please see the accompanying flyer for details of several other items they accept. If you have bits lurking around that you would be pleased to get rid of without sending to landfill, why not go along between 10.30am and 12.00pm?

Keep sending in those dead pens, don't bin them!



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, the children have been learning about the lifecycle of a sunflower and have written instructions for how to plant a sunflower.</p> <p>In Let's Explore, we have been learning about Van Gogh and have recreated sunflowers pictures and paintings using his brush stroke style, we have also measured sunflowers, sequenced number petals and planted sunflower seeds in an eco-friendly way.</p>	<p>In maths, we have been practising counting both on and back to 20. Counting back from 20 has been tricky and we will keep practising this together.</p>
Year 1	<p>In English this week, Year 1 read a new version of Jack and the Beanstalk. The class received a huge letter from the giant; they responded by answering some of his nosy questions and by asking a few of their own. The children have also worked on sentence building and reading alien words.</p>	<p>Our maths focus for this week has been division. Year 1 have recalled their understanding of equal groups and we have begun to use the sharing method. The children were great at predicting whether we would be able to share items equally, in a range of problems.</p>
Year 2	<p>This week in English we have been writing fact files! Continuing our research into Mary Anning the children have been looking at the facts they felt were important for people to know about her, as well as why she is such a significant person in our local history. The children have taken great care in their sentence structure and presentation.</p>	<p>In Maths this week we have continued our unit on fractions. We have found and recognised quarters, recognised unit fractions and understood other fractions such as $\frac{3}{4}$. The children have spent a lot of time looking at reasoning questions and how to answer them as well as consolidating their learning on division and multiplication.</p>
Year 3	<p>Some fabulous drama has taken place this week in Year 3, based on our novel Brain Freeze, by Tom Fletcher. The children found themselves facing the dilemma of whether to sneak into the van and eat some ice cream in the middle of the night...or not! This led to close attention to how we set out and correctly punctuate speech, using inverted commas. Our speech work will feed nicely into a news report next week.</p>	<p>In maths we are making great progress with our fractions learning. We can now place fractions along a number line and explain what happens after you reach beyond one whole. We are beginning to learn fractions of quantities - it would be lovely if you could ask your child questions like: "What is one third of nine?" (Nine divided into three equal groups).</p>
Year 4	<p>This week the children have been writing their own newspaper report about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb. This event happened 100 years ago this year and the children have been getting really involved with their learning. They have planned, drafted and edited their reports, including quotes from eyewitnesses to the discovery and they are in the process of typing them up just like a real newspaper!</p>	<p>In maths this week, we have been looking closely at money. The children have shown that they are able to order and round amounts of money and can use this to help them to solve some rather tricky word problems. They have also promised me that they will not attempt to round their pocket money up!</p>

Diary Dates 2021-2022

Summer Term

Tuesday 17 th May	Year 4 Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Event
Friday 20 th May	Year 3 Ancient Technology Centre Visit
Wednesday 25 th May	Year 4 Bournemouth Natural Science Society Trip
Thursday 26 th May	Life Education 'Bus' Visit
Friday 27 th May	School Jubilee Celebration
	Half term begins

Half Term

Monday 6 th June	Queens Jubilee Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th June	INSET Day
Wednesday 8 th June	School Opens
Thursday 9 th June	Year 2 Blashford Lakes Trip
Thursday 16 th June	Class Portraits
Friday 17 th June	PTA Father's Day Sale
Friday 24 th June	Sports Day
Saturday 25 th June	PTA Summer Fete
Friday 1 st July	Transition Morning
Friday 8 th July	PTA Disco
Friday 22 nd July	Leavers Service 2pm
	Year Ends