Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As always at Hawkinge Primary School the first week of term has been exceptionally busy! Our Launch Pads make an exciting start to the themes. EYFS classes were visited by dinosaurs! They attended workshops which were visited by baby dinosaurs, Years 1 and 2 have been to Dover Museum with a special guest – Miss Yarrow – which caused MUCH excitement!

The children in Years 3 & 4 were lucky enough to be visited by an author who has written a story that has taken place in a Rainforest and then were explorers in Reindeen Woods. Years 5 and 6 pupils launched their theme about America by having a carousel of activities – including learning how to Line Dance, playing Baseball and enjoyed tasting American food (!) On top of all that our Year 6 pupils have been on residential this week – taking part in a range of activities including orienteering, fencing, climbing, Jacobs Ladder and Nightline, Mini Olympics and hopefully raft building at the time I am writing the newsletter- they will sleep well this weekend! (As will the staff who I cannot thank enough for taking the children again this year – we had another 'special guest' on residential too – Mrs Groombridge).

Our Year 5 children have completed a mini theme on D-Day – resulting in them visiting the War Graves in Hawkinge on the anniversary of D-Day today. It was a really lovely thing to do – however the heavens opened as the children were selecting the War Grave they were going to place their stone on! Our Reception classes had a Mini Olympics event planned for today with the Reception classes at The Churchill however that had to be cancelled due to the weather. Hopefully we will be able to organise another event soon. All classes attended an assembly this morning led by Folkestone Triennial letting us know what to expect in the 20205 Triennial Art Festivities!

It has been a busy couple of weeks for football at school.

Just before half term, our Year 5 and 6 team played their Herald Cup semi-final against Hythe Bay. The boys put on a brilliant display winning 7-0 to secure their place in the final. We will update you on the date of the final in due course. The players who represented the team were: Joseph, Carter, Lenny, Micah, Lewis, Reggie, Charlie, Cameron, Lake, Josh, Theo and Roman. We are now in the final against Sandgate School – date to be announced!

A couple of days later, 10 boys from Year 3 and 4 represented the school at the Shepway Sports Trust Football Tournament. The boys played some fabulous football throughout the course of the day and won all 12 of their games to finish in first place.

Those who played were: George, Elbie, Sully, Eden, Franco, Teddy, Finlay, Harry, Nathaniel and Oscar.

Finally, on Tuesday, 18 girls from Year 3 and 4 represented the school at the Shepway Sports Trust Girls' Football Tournament. The girls had a great time and played some fabulous football. Our two teams finished in second place and seventh place overall.

Those who played were: Frankie, Phoebe, Eloise, Betsy, Emily, Amalie, Sierra, Maya, Zoe, Sofia, Annie, Poppy, Bella, Jessica, Ella, Elsie, Elizabeth and Orla.

On the reverse of the newsletter is another copy of our Sports Day arrangements for next week – fingers crossed that the sun comes out as forecast!



Sports Day 2025

Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day Tuesday 10th June from 10:00am to 11:45am on the school field.

Year 3 & 4 Sports Day Wednesday 11th June from 10:00am to 11:30am on the school field.

Year 5 & 6 Sports Day Wednesday 11th June from 1:15pm to 2:45pm on the school field.



Parents are more than welcome to bring a chair/blanket to sit on!

Children will initially complete a variety of sporting activities in house teams, competing again st each other, but also earning points for their house. You are welcome to follow round your child/children from event to event. When the carousel of events are over you will be asked to move to one side of the track (by the all-weather area), where you can watch the children compete in a sprint race at the end (Year 3/4 and 5/6 will have a relay as well). Children can come to school in their P.E. kit on their Sports Day.

In addition to this, at some point during June (not during Sports Day), the children will take part in a long distance race, where we will have medals for the first 3 finishers and some for children who have shown great improvement or commitment to running this year.

You are of course welcome to take pictures of your child at Sports Day, but can you please ensure, if you are posting on social media, that it is only your child in the picture.

Reminder: Children <u>must not</u> wear jewellery for Sports Day/P.E. activities as our P.E. policy clearly states.

Thank you!