



Hamp Nursery & Infants School

NEWSLETTER

March 2018



Here we are at the end of another busy term already! Our activities this term have included Poetry Week, Gifted & Talented Week, Safer Internet Day and World Book Day. Thank you to everyone who took part in World Book Day on 1st March (despite the bad weather!) - it was lovely to see the children dressed up as characters from their class stories.

For this year's Easter competition, we asked the children to create an 'Easter Bonnet' and as usual, we had a wonderful response - thank you to everyone who took part. Our winners were:

With help: 1st Prize - Diesel (Class 1), 2nd Prize - Harvey (Class 4), 3rd Prize - Meah (Class 5)

Without help: 1st Prize - Evie (Class 5), 2nd Prize - Phoebe (Class 6), 3rd Prize - Brandon (Class 9)

We hope you all have an enjoyable Easter break and we look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 9th April.

Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our 'Spring Sport Days' sponsored event which was arranged by Mr Wright, our P.E. co-ordinator, to raise funds for Sport Relief and new sports equipment for our school. Please return your child's sponsorship money to school as soon as possible - we will advise you of the total raised as soon as all the money has been received.

Arriving on time at School

The school day starts at 8.45am but staff are available to take the children in from the playground at 8.30am. Late arrival at school is disruptive for the whole class as well as for your child.

Our Home School Liaison Worker, Mrs Jo Newcombe, will be offering support to parents who seem to be having difficulties getting their children to school on time.

Medical Appointments

We know it is not always possible to arrange emergency or hospital appointments for your children out of school hours but, wherever possible, please avoid arranging routine medical and dental appointments during the school day. If you do need to take your child out of school for an appointment, please let us have sight of the letter (or text message) confirming the details.

Holidays in Term Time

Holiday request forms are available from the school office.

Please be aware that we are only permitted to authorise leave of absence during term time in exceptional circumstances.

In line with other schools on the Hamp campus, parents/carers taking their children out of school for an unauthorised holiday may be issued with a fixed penalty fine.

Dress Up & Dance Day on 14th June in support of Macmillan Cancer Support

This summer, we will again be inviting the children to take part in a non-uniform day with a twist called 'Dress up and Dance'. As well as being a lot of fun, we will be raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support, a fantastic charity that provides all kinds of support to children and families affected by cancer. Further information will be sent out nearer the time.

School Uniform Orders

We will be placing an order with our suppliers after the Easter break, on 13th April. Could any parents requiring uniform please place your order with the school office (with payment) by the end of that day. **Please ensure that any Nursery fees/snack money owing is paid as we are unable to order uniform on your behalf if you have outstanding debts.** Thank you.

(Please note that at this time of year, orders will take up to 20 working days to arrive).

Safeguarding

Our 'Safeguarding' display in the reception area contains a range of relevant information for parents and visitors. Please ask at Reception for a copy of any of the documents.

All visitors are required to read our 'Safeguarding and Health & Safety' leaflet.

For safeguarding reasons, mobile phones may not be brought into school. We therefore ask that visitors either leave their phone in their car, or hand it in at the school office for the duration of their visit. Please note that this also applies to parents/carers attending meetings in school.

For more information on safeguarding, contact the Local Safeguarding Board 0300 1232224, or see their website: somersetsafeguardingchildrenboard.org.uk.

Dates for your Diary

23 rd March 2018	Parents' Day – school closed to pupils
26 th March – 6 th April 2018	School and Jack & Jill Nursery closed for Easter Holiday
4 th May 2018	School and Jack & Jill Nursery closed for inset day
7 th May 2018	School and Jack & Jill Nursery closed for bank holiday
28 th May - 1 st June 2018	School and Jack & Jill Nursery closed for half term break
14 th June 2018	Dress Up and Dance for Macmillan Cancer Support
25 th June 2018	School and Jack & Jill Nursery closed for inset day
4 th July 2018	'Moving On' Parents Evening 6.30-8pm
9 th July 2018	Jack & Jill Nursery closed for Parents' Day
20 th July 2018	Last day of term for Jack & Jill Nursery
24 th July 2018	Last day of school term

Reminder!

Please:

- contact us if your child is unable to attend school through illness etc
- ensure all uniform is labelled with your child's name
- ensure your child always has a full PE kit in school
- check book bags for school letters, to ensure you do not miss any important information
- inform the school office of changes of telephone numbers, addresses, etc

Thank you