

Hatfield Heath Primary School Weekly Bulletin

4th November 2022

Message from Mrs Gelston

I hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and got to spend some time out and about in the unseasonably warm weather. We have had lots happening in school over the break. Our Year 1 and Reception classrooms have been completely rewired, with new movement sensor lighting fitted. The work in the ICT room continues this week and will hopefully be completed early next week. We are very grateful that all this work has been funded by the Conditions Improvement Fund and hope that further work in improving our school buildings can be secured for the near future.

Also, those with keen eyes, will have noticed that a new tree has been planted at the edge of our school field. This tree has been very kindly donated by one of our Governors, Mr Chris Hancock, to replace the ones that needed to be taken down to allow for our Reception outside area development work to take place. Thank you Mr Hancock for this very kind gift to the school.

England Rocks – Time Tables Rockstars Tournament

We are very excited that our Key Stage 2 children will be taking part in the England Rocks multiplication tournament with Times Table Rock Stars. The letter sent along with this newsletter explains the rules, but this is a great opportunity for the children of Hatfield Heath Primary to show the rest of the country just how brilliant they are at times tables. Let the battle commence!



Year 6 Harry Potter Trip



By Martha and Harley

On Monday 31st October Y6 went to Harry Potter World. When we got there, the first thing we saw was the huge dragon from Gringotts. As we started our tour, we saw a replica of Harry's cupboard under the stairs, which was tiny! We then moved into a room with moving paintings that told us how the tour would work – it was really cool as the people were walking in and out of the picture frames. When we entered the Great Hall there were floating pumpkins and tables of food ready for a Hogwarts Halloween feast. When going around the tour we came across Dementors, saw amazing sets and walked through the Forbidden Forest. The trip was absolutely brilliant!

ACL Courses for Parents & Carers

ACL Essex provide a range of courses for parents and carers covering a range of areas such as ADHD, supporting SEND children, reducing anxiety and many more. The document attached to the newsletter provides a little more information about the courses as well as how to access and book on to them. Most are virtual and free, so please take a moment to look to see if there is something of interest to you and your family.

Anti-Bullying Week & Children in Need



During the week beginning Monday 14th November we shall be taking part in the national Anti-Bullying Week. This year's theme is 'Reach Out' and is about encouraging everyone to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. The week will remind everyone whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online, let's reach out and show each other the support we need.

To kick start the week we would like children (and staff) to come to school on **Monday 14th November** wearing odd socks. This is the Anti-Bullying Alliance's way to promote the week and we would like to join in with this.

At the end of the week, we will be taking part in BBC Children in Need. On **Friday 18th November** we invite children to come to school wearing something spotty to support the theme 'The Great Spotacular'. More information will come next week about this event.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 7 th November	Applications for Primary School Place for September 2023 open
Thursday 10 th November	1.30pm: Prospective parent tour
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week Odd Socks Day
Thursday 17 th November	9.30am: Prospective parent tour
Friday 18 th November	BBC Children in Need & Friendship Friday
Thursday 24 th November	PFA Quiz Night
Tuesday 29 th November	Multi-Schools Council Autism Awareness Assembly & Workshop for Year 3 & 4 classes
Wednesday 30 th November	1.30pm: Prospective parent tour
Thursday 8 th December	Reception Class Christmas Sing-Along for Parents/ Carers (time to be confirmed)
Friday 9 th December	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 14 th December	Afternoon (time to be confirmed) - Year 1 & 2 Christmas Play for Parents/ Carers
Thursday 15 th December	Early evening (time to be confirmed) - Year 1 & 2 Christmas Play for Parents/ Carers
Tuesday 20 th December	Afternoon – Christmas parties in school for all classes
Wednesday 21 st December	Bring a Board Game to school day Last day of term for children