

Hatfield Heath Primary School Weekly Bulletin

23rd September 2022

Message from Mrs Gelston

There's quite a lot of information in our newsletter this of meetings coming up for different classes and how the school community can help with more fundraising for the school and the people in our community.

Butch Lesley's London Marathon Fundraising for Great Ormond Street Hospital

We know lots of parents and family members take on the incredible challenge of running the London Marathon but we wanted, as a school, to share the JustGiving page of Butch Lesley who is running the marathon as a way of thanking the amazing work of the doctors and nurses of Great Ormond Street Hospital. Please take a moment to read his story and donate if you are able to:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Reggiesjourney>



Bishop's Stortford Foodbank Harvest Collection

We have, like last year, decided to celebrate Harvest as a school again and be thankful for all the work that goes into providing food and all our other essentials. To also show thanks, we would like to ask our families to support the school in a collection for the Bishop's Stortford Foodbank. This is the time of year when foodbanks are often in greatest need of donations and with the Winter coming it is essential that supplies are stocked up and ready to support vulnerable people. If you can, please send an item from the following list into school in time for our Harvest Celebration on Monday 3rd October:

- Canned beans / spaghetti
- Canned meat and fish
- Canned vegetables
- Canned tomatoes
- Dried pasta and rice
- Instant mashed potato
- Long dated medium boxes of cereal
- Long dated UHT semi skimmed milk
- Cereal bars
- Sauces e.g.: ketchup, mayo, brown sauce
- Marmite, Peanut Butter
- Long life cartons of fruit juice
- Sugar
- Bottles of squash
- Coffee
- Long dated packs of biscuits
- Chocolate bars
- Crisps and other savoury snacks
- Tinned rice puddings
- Tinned custards
- Toiletries such as shower gel, deodorants, shampoo, toilet rolls.

Secondary School Admissions for September 2023

Below are a couple of links for parents of our Year 6 pupils. These give details and important dates for secondary school admissions for September 2023.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions-to-essex-schools-for-the-next-school-year>

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-and-upper-schools/important-dates-secondary-school-admissions.aspx>

The national deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2022.



Would you like to buy the school a little gift? If so, then we have the solution for you! Like many other schools we have decided to set up an Amazon wishlist, listing books and a range of other essential items needed in school.

There is absolutely no obligation to buy anything from the list, but we have set this up for those parents who have asked how they can help the school.

Use the link here to access the list <https://amzn.eu/e9dxbxk> – it will be updated and added to regularly, so keep checking it! We will also send this link via Parentmail so it will be easy to access.

'Meet the Teacher' Meetings

We have introduced 'Meet the Teacher' meetings for each class from Year 1 up to and including Year 6. Each teacher will have communicated with parents to let them know about the meetings, but here are the dates and times in case the email has been missed:

Year 1: Wednesday 28 th September at 9.00am	Year 2: Tuesday 27 th September at 9.00am
Year 3: Tuesday 4 th October at 9.00am	Year 4: Thursday 29 th September at 9.00am
Year 5: Monday 26 th September at 2.45pm	Year 6: Thursday 29 th September at 2.45pm

All meetings will take place in the hall and will give parents an opportunity to get to know their child's class teacher and learn about the year ahead.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 3 rd October	Harvest Assemblies – Bishop's Stortford Foodbank collection (more information to come)
Thursday 6 th October	Flu Immunisations in school
Monday 10 th October	Year 5 visit to the Science Museum
Tuesday 18 th October	Parent consultations (in school)
Wednesday 19 th October	Parent consultations (in school)
Thursday 20 th October	1.30pm: Prospective parent tour
Friday 21 st October	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Monday 24 th October to Friday 28 th October	Half Term holiday
Monday 31 st October	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 1 st November	9.30am: Prospective parent tour
Thursday 10 th November	1.30pm: Prospective parent tour
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday 17 th November	9.30am: Prospective parent tour
Friday 18 th November	BBC Children in Need
Wednesday 30 th November	1.30pm: Prospective parent tour