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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Kilbride

It has been a busy week of parent consultations this week. It has been lovely to see the great level of attendance and engagement in these appointments and to share in the success and progress of your children over the year to date.

I very much enjoyed supervising the netball teams who we took to Hextable Primary School this Tuesday for the annual High 5s competition. The children were a real credit to our school in the way they behaved, played and persevered. Against some really good competition, all players did a great job – well done!

For parents using Park and Stride, please can I ask that you park with consideration whilst dropping and collecting. Some dangers observed by passers by and residents recently include people parking on the pavement and in the private car park of the Winton Court Flats – please can you park parallel to the curb at the top of Goldsel Road, but without restricting the pavement available for use. Many thanks for your co-operation with this request.

EASTER & SPRING COMPETITION



For this year's competition everyone brought home a paper bowl last week! You can use it to make anything you like so long as it is on an Easter / Spring theme....

Bring your finished entry to school on MONDAY 27th MARCH.



PARENTS – please pop into the hall after school on **MONDAY 27th** to view all our fantastic finished entries.

Spring Trail



We will be holding our annual Spring Trail next Thursday. Each class will have a chance to take part and each child will receive a chocolate prize for completing the trail! Thank you to FHF for providing the prizes. (Dietary requirements will be met.)



Year 4 Pizza Making

On Monday, Year 4 had a fantastic time making pizzas as part of their learning about Italy. The children all planned, made and cooked their own pizza, including different toppings, and designed their own boxes to take them home in too.



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District High 5s Netball Tournament

14 of our Year 5&6 children visited Hextable Primary School on Tuesday for this year's District High 5s Netball Tournament. Ten teams from across the Swanley schools took part and the children all had a great time and played very well. A special mention goes to our Team Yellow A who came in third place – well done!



Parents Consultations

We hope that parents found their consultation meetings with teachers this week to be useful. If you were unable to attend your meeting please do arrange another time with your child's teacher; the attainment sheet will be sent home. Don't forget to give your feedback and acknowledge your child's attainment report by completing the form by Tuesday 28th March at <https://forms.office.com/e/hRx4KHLyYY>



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK - 27th to 31st March

We are asking all families to try to walk to school every day in Walk to School Week next week - if you live too far away from school to walk all the way, you could park a few roads away from school and walk the last part instead; this will still count as walking to school! Each class will have a chart to record the children who have walked to school each day. There will be a house point for each child that walks each day and a certificate at the end of the week for children who have walked every day.



Walk to school with the staff! In addition to our usual Park & Stride, members of our staff will also be at other various points around the local area to meet and walk to school with our families on the following dates –

Tuesday 28 th March at 8:40am	Meet us on the corner of Pinks Hill and Cranleigh Drive (top junction)
Wednesday 29 th March at 8:40am	Meet us on the corner of Charnock and Court Crescent
Thursday 30 th March at 8:40am	Meet us on the corner of Waylands and Pinks Hill

Special Mentions

Well done to all of our children who received a Special Mention and certificate from their teacher in assembly today –

- Michael K – trying really hard with his writing.
- All of Reception Class – their amazing assembly!
- Luiza-Maria P – always being her best.
- Iyah M – always being her best.
- Chloe P – her detailed newspaper report.
- Emily S – her detailed newspaper report.
- Demi B – always being a great team player & working well with others.
- Isabella O – always doing her best.
- Alyah E -working hard to improve her reading.
- Freya T - for always trying her best in all lessons.
- Emanuela M – her positive attitude to learning.
- Bella O – her positive attitude to learning.
- Millie WS – excellent formal letter to Queen Victoria.
- Umaiza H – excellent formal letter to Queen Victoria.



Register Rabbit

Congratulations to this week's winners of Register Rabbit for their excellent attendance:

YEAR R
YEAR 4



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You can choose up to four rules from the list below to break on **FRIDAY 31ST MARCH** only!

Pay 50p per rule you break - maximum of 4 rules / £2 total.
All funds raised for Friends of High Firs.

- You must wear a yellow school jumper.
- You must not wear trainers to school.
- You must wear matching socks.
- You must not have squash in your water bottle.
- You must not have a tattoo.
- You must use your school branded rucksack.
- You must not have coloured or wacky hair.
- You must only eat a healthy snack (if you break this rule it must still be nut-free, please)
- You must not paint your nails.



These are the only rules you are allowed to break 😊



Science Week

We had a great time last week completing our egg-based challenges for Science Week. The children were able to use what they had learnt in Science this year to design and make inventions to keep their eggs safe during their challenge. Amazingly, all of our eggs survived the week. Two fell out of Reception's car but they didn't break!



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There will be a FHF Meeting on **Wednesday 29th March at 7pm** – everyone is welcome, please come along!

In our classes this week

- Reception – learned how to make pairs.
- Year 1 – sequenced the Easter story.
- Year 2 – made the bodies of their Mars Rovers.
- Year 3 – wrote poetry.
- Year 4 – made pizzas and drew the Mona Lisa!
- Year 5 – learned about Holy Week.
- Year 6 – found the areas of triangles and parallelograms.



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HOUSE POINTS

	This Week	Term Total	Top Scorers this week
BEECH	122	2477	Robert L, Scarlett WB
CHESTNUT	134	2880	George N, Isabelle Z
OAK	99	2522	Francesca F, Karina C
ASH	128	2112	Michael K, Poppy G, Jack B, Ruby Bu



INSET DAYS

No children in school

Fri 26th May 2023

Mon 10th July 2023

Coming up next week...

There are NO SCHOOL CLUBS this week.

FOSC Breakfast Club & After School Club are running as usual.

It's Walk to School Week

Monday 27th March

Walk to School Week starts

Easter Competition entries deadline

3.15pm – Easter Competition viewing in hall

Tuesday 28th March

Walk with the staff - meet at 8.40am at Pinks Hill / Cranleigh Drive

Wednesday 29th March

Walk with the staff – meet at 8.40am at Charnock / Court Crescent

District Football at Princes Park

7pm – FHF Meeting

Thursday 30th March

Walk with the staff – meet 8.40am at Waylands / Pinks Hill

Spring Trail

Friday 31st March

Walk to School Week – last day

Break the Rules Day



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