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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Kilbride

Today ends another busy term in which the children have worked incredibly hard; there have been several lovely school trips; many sports teams have competed against other schools; children have taken part in a wide range of clubs; we have enjoyed the arrival of the trim trail; we have launched a new Facebook page and tonight the Friends host an inaugural family bingo event. So after all of that we need all need a good rest – enjoy your holidays! Save the date for Sports Day – Friday 30th June KS1 am/KS2 pm – details to follow after half term.

In our classes this week

Reception – learned about odd and even numbers.

Year 1 – had an amazing day at Godstone Farm!

Year 2 – found out about the life cycle of birds.

Year 3 – learned how icebergs are formed.

Year 4 – told the time using analogue and digital formats.

Year 5 – made Greek vases using the coil technique and clay slips.

Year 6 – wrote instructions to catch a tarantula in the rainforest!



Small Steps

In the five weeks after half term, Years 2 and 3 will be taking part in the Small Steps training run by Kent Road Safety. The training consists of five weekly sessions where children will be taken in small groups out into the local area to learn to become safe and confident pedestrians. The children will learn how to find a safe place to cross, recognise the dangers of junctions and how to cross safely between parked cars if there are no other options. The sessions will be run by an adult from Kent Road Safety and the groups will be accompanied by school staff. Year 2's sessions will be on Monday afternoons and Year 3's on Wednesday afternoons.

Interhouse Results	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Year 1/2 Cricket	Ash	Beech	Oak	Chestnut
Year 3/4 Cricket	Beech	Oak	Chestnut	Ash
Year 5/6 Cricket	Chestnut	Ash	Oak	Beech
KS2 overall totals	Beech	Oak	Ash	
	Chestnut			

Special Mentions

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

- Penelope T – for a huge improvement in her writing.
- Isabella W – super learning in Maths, especially naming 3d shapes.
- Year 1 – being superstars on their trip to Godstone Farm!
- Year 2 – their sensible behaviour and enthusiasm on their local area walk.
- Omolayo O – great teamwork and enthusiasm in the cricket interhouse matches.
- Sadiya M – her progression and determination to improve her reading.
- Sid P – settling in so well at his new school and being an enthusiastic learner.
- Samuel S – always giving his time willingly to help others and for being an excellent role model.
- Liam S – working hard in Maths and being able to explain his learning.
- Alan Z – being a positive role model during the interhouse competition.
- Francesca T – excellent writing in character as the explorer from their book.
- Mason T – excellent writing in character as the explorer from their book.



Register Rabbit

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

YEAR 1
YEAR 3



Achieving more together



Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) assessment will be taken by all Year 4 children in early June; the purpose of the MTC is to make sure a child's times tables knowledge is at the expected level. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Payne.



Uniform Orders

If you would like to order school uniform for delivery to school by the end of the Summer Term, then the deadline to place your order at <https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/school/HI4500DS/> is **Thursday 15th June**.



Staff News

We are already making plans for our new Reception children and their families to visit us before they start in September; we are pleased to confirm that Mrs Everest will be our Reception class teacher once again next year. Staffing for other classes will be confirmed next half-term.

Today we have said "thank you and goodbye" to one of our Midday Supervisors, Mrs Sharp, as she moves on to new adventures.

HOUSE POINTS

	This Week	Term Total	Top Scorers this week
BEECH	256	3342	Edward S, Chanelle M
CHESTNUT	331	3853	Daisy B, Ezra W, Amelia B
OAK	148	3217	Eleanor A
ASH	386	3078	Sadie B, Scarlett T



INSET DAYS

No children in school

Fri 26th May 2023

Mon 10th July 2023

Coming up....

Friday 26th May – INSET day: no children in school

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June – Half Term holiday

Week beginning Monday 5th June – Yr4 Multiplication Checks

Weds 7th June – Reception hearing tests

Thurs 8th June – 10.10am: Yr1 Class Assembly and Book Look

Interested in volunteering?

Become a governor
at High Firs Primary
School!

High Firs Primary School are looking for skilled volunteers from all backgrounds to join their governing body.

School governors work with the school's senior leadership team to set strategic direction, monitor school performance and ensure the school's budget is well spent. The governing board ensures that their school provides the best possible education for their pupils. You can make a difference to your community by becoming a school governor!

We currently have vacancies for parent and non-parent governors.

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