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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Kilbride

A shorter newsletter this week with Sports Day meaning we have no celebration assembly this week. Well done to our Y5 and Y6 girls footballers and mixed netball team. Both took part well in their respective district tournaments this week. The footballers had four separate scorers in the team (Annie-Grace, Elsie, Ella and Korlekie) and managed one win and two draws from their seven games, and the netballers drew two of their four games with Ella scoring most of the High Firs goals. All children gave their all and represented the school with great sportsmanship throughout. We had the Safety Seymour team in school this week to raise awareness about carbon monoxide. The biggest thing that came out of this for me was raising of awareness that every home should be fitted with at least one carbon monoxide alarm. I think everyone appreciates the need to fit a smoke alarm to guard against the catastrophic, yet unlikely event of a fire – and this campaign seeks to place carbon monoxide alarms on an equal footing – so if as a result, just one additional family purchase a carbon monoxide alarm, then that would be a success in increasing personal safety within our community.

We welcomed many of our new Reception children for September into school this week for the very first time. It was lovely to see many familiar faces and to welcome some new families to our school as well.

Some Y2 children enjoyed a great day of maths activities at Horton Kirby Primary School this week – a great opportunity to indulge a real keen interest in this curriculum area.

Finally, we look forward to seeing many of you at our Fun Day this Saturday. We hope to raise plenty of money with which we can refresh our playground markings for sports and other play activities. Amongst many of the usual Fun Day highlights, this year Tilly will be in attendance with her own stall of merchandise and ball throwing opportunities!

Euro2024

We know lots of the children will be watching the upcoming Euro24 tournament with their families but whether a football fan or not we are encouraging all our classes to support and find out about some of the European countries that are taking part. The countries allocated to each class are –

- R: ENGLAND, AUSTRIA, ALBANIA
- 1: ITALY, DENMARK, SCOTLAND
- 2: SPAIN, SWITZERLAND, SERBIA
- 3: GERMANY, TURKEY, ROMANIA
- 4: PORTUGAL, NETHERLANDS, CZECH REP
- 5: FRANCE, CROATIA, UKRAINE
- 6: BELGIUM, HUNGARY, POLAND

As part of this, there is a **bonus learning log task** for the duration of the tournament which children can choose to do if they wish instead of one of the tasks already set by their teacher.

For this they can **do one or more of the following**:

- **Find out some facts about one of the countries for your class**
- **Find out about the team for one of the countries for your class**
- **Find out some history / facts about the Euros**



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SEN COFFEE MORNING

Come along to our SEN Coffee Morning - everyone is welcome whether they have a child on our SEN register or just want to find out more...

Monday 17th June at 9am

There will be coffee and chat, along with the chance to ask any questions you may have about our provision. We will also be welcoming our Educational Psychologist, Dr Sam Smith, to join us and share some ideas for supporting your child.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!



Friends of High Firs Primary School Association

SUMMER FUNDAY

Saturday 15th June

Dance & rugby display
BBQ
Beer tent
Bouncy castle
Ice cream van and lots more

Adults £1
Kids free

12-3



Summer

Ice Pop Friday

50p Ice pops for sale on Friday 21st June after school



All money raised for Friends of High Firs

Year 6 Cake Sale

Please come and buy a cake to raise money for our leavers party. This will take place on Thursday 20th June after school.








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Scooter Training

Next Friday, 21st June, scooter training will take place for children in Year 2 & Year 3 who missed the session earlier this year due to rain. This training is being provided by Kent County Council and each class will have a 90-minute training session on the playground in which they will learn practical skills to ride scooters safely. The trainers will provide all equipment including scooters, helmets and pads, therefore, children should wear their uniform as usual (although trousers may be preferable to skirts / dresses) and do not need to bring their own scooter for the session. Following the training, parents will be sent a link to a short survey to provide KCC with some feedback on the impact of the event.

Register Rabbit

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

YEAR 1
YEAR 3

Our class totals were:

- Year 3 98.8%
- Year 6 98.2%
- Year 1 96.6%
- Year 4 95.8%
- Year 5 95.2%
- Year R 94.4%
- Year 2 93.3%



INSET DAYS

Mon 1st July 2024

Coming up next week...

Monday 17th June

9am – SEN Coffee Morning (Everyone is welcome! Please come along.)

Tuesday 18th June

Reception visit to Eagle Heights

Wednesday 19th June

Football Tournament at Princes Park

Yr1 visit to Museum of Kent Life

10.10am - Yr5 class & Yr6 continuers Music Assembly to parents

Thursday 20th June

10.10am – Yr1 Class Assembly to parents

3.15pm – Yr6 Cake Sale

Friday 21st June

Scootability session for Yr2/Yr3 children who missed this previously

3.15pm – FHF Ice Pop Sale



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