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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Turtle

Welcome back everyone! I hope that you all had an enjoyable break - it was lovely to hear from the children how so many of them were able to see friends and family who they have not been able to visit for so many months. Today we have recognised St George's Day in school and it was so good to see our Guiding and Scouting children in their associations' uniforms to mark this special day.

Special Mentions

This week, our special mentions go to:

- Lewis C - for trying so hard with his CVC writing.
- Morgan J - for a great attitude to his learning this week.
- Lily G - trying very hard in her maths, using subtraction & addition.
- Tilly F - great improvements in her sentence writing.
- Daisy W - great work and improvement on her times tables.
- Teddy H - a great week in school!
- Mason T - great enthusiasm and knowledge in our Science lesson about nature in the changing environment.
- Alec G - for his knowledge of scientific language.
- Elsie B - her creative, descriptive writing.
- Jack L - super work with volume in Maths.
- Annabelle L - brilliant use of personification to describe The Tempest.



In our classes this week

Reception - learned to name the different continents.

Year 1 - found out what plants need to grow and planted their own bean seeds.

Year 2 - have been learning about length.

Year 3 - found out about Jacques Cousteau.

Year 4 - enjoyed reading "The Tin Forest".

Year 5 - learned to use scientific language about our new topic "Properties of Materials" and had a fantastic time at our first clarinet & flute lessons.

Year 6 - learned about the Battle of Bosworth.



	This Week
BEECH	31
CHESTNUT	30
OAK	46
ASH	23

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Our next FHF meeting will be online via Zoom **this Monday, 26th April, at 7pm.**

The joining link will be emailed to all Trustees and Class Reps but everyone else is also welcome! Please email friends@high-firs.kent.sch.uk if you would like to request the joining link too.



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School Closed due to Polling - Thursday 6th May

Following discussions with Sevenoaks District Council this week, we have regrettably had to make the decision to close the school to all pupils (including the children of critical workers) on Thursday 6th May due to the school being used as a Polling Station for both the local elections and the Police & Crime Commissioner election. Parents will be aware that we would usually remain open on polling days and make the Yr6 classroom available for this purpose, with the Yr6 children being moved elsewhere within the school for the day. However, the measures and restrictions currently required in order to ensure Covid safety compliance and social distancing mean that this is not a viable option at the current time in consideration to the health & safety of both our school community and those taking part in the polling process. The children will be provided with learning to complete at home on this day as per our previous remote learning arrangements during the enforced closures earlier this year. Children can return their learning to school on Friday 7th or send to class teachers via their class email address. My apologies for the short notice of this closure, which we do appreciate will cause inconvenience to some of our families but we were only made aware of these arrangements by Sevenoaks District Council today.



Important Health Information - PLEASE REMEMBER!

Please remember to **let the school know immediately** if you suspect your child has any of the following (even if it has not been confirmed): **measles, chicken pox or shingles**. It is also important to let us know if your child has been exposed to these illnesses (eg through a friend at a club or a family member) but has not shown the symptoms themselves. Please also let us know if your child has also been in contact with any other infectious diseases.

We are a **NUT FREE** school - this is **ALL TYPES OF NUTS**. Please can we therefore ask for the support of all our school families in ensuring that none of our children or visitors bring any nuts or nut-based products (eg: Nutella spread / Snickers / nutty cereal bars etc) into school. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping to ensure the safety & wellbeing of those members of our school community for whom these products pose a serious risk.



No children in school:
Thurs 6th May (Polling)
Fri 28th May (INSET)
Fri 9th July (INSET)

Coming up next week

Monday at 7pm
FHF Meeting via Zoom

**** Please remember to bring your school sunhat into school now the weather is getting better! ****

PE Days

R	1	2
Fridays	Mondays	Mondays
	Wednesdays	Wednesdays
3	4	5
Tuesdays	Tuesdays	Mondays
Thursdays	Thursdays	Thursdays

Don't forget to wear your P.E. kit -make sure you are warm enough to go outside!



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