



Haseltine News

Friday, 31st March 2017

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Dear Parents, carers, friends & families,

I can't quite believe that today is the last day of term! We are two thirds of the way through the year – that seems impossible to me! We have had a very, very busy term with lots of exciting learning and events happening. I really loved the Museum Night last Wednesday; I thought that the quality of learning on display was exceptional and the hall looked stunning. Thank you so much to Ms Mould, Ms Seiffert & Ms Griffiths for organising the whole event and thank you so much to you all for coming – it was really lovely to see you there.

I do have some sad news to share with you all about the chickens. Unfortunately, two of them died within a short space of each other and that left just Alice. We then found out that chickens do not do well on their own, they need other chickens around them. We knew that we could not have any more chickens at Haseltine – they really do take a lot of looking after (not to mention the fact that poor Mrs Miller has been left feeling emotionally drained after getting so close to the chickens over the years!); and so Alice has gone to live on a farm with other rescued animals – Foal Farm in Kent. Thank you so much to Mrs Miller and Ms Mould and the other staff, who have looked after our chickens so well over the years.

Don't forget that we break up today for the Easter break – we return on Tuesday 18th April. I hope that you all have a really fantastic couple of weeks and that we get some lovely weather!

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Anderman".

Sara Anderman
Headteacher

Summer Term Challenges!

Many children across the school will be sitting tests (we like to call them challenges!) during the Summer term. For example:

Year 1 will be doing the Phonics test during the week of June 12th

Year 2 will be sitting their SATs tests during the month of May

Year 6 will be sitting their SATs tests during the week of May 8th

It is essential that children are attending school every day – especially during these dates. If you have any questions about these 'challenges', then please do come and have a chat with me – or the teachers. Please don't worry about them – in my experience, most children actually enjoy taking these tests! It seems to be us that do most of the worrying!

Spring Music Festival

The children (and the adults!) of Haseltine have enjoyed some fantastic events over the last couple of weeks as part of Spring Music Festival. There has been Gospel singing, Samba, Big Sings, trips to Fairlawn for our choir, Fairlawn choir visiting us and performances of all kinds – guitars, ukuleles, clarinets, singing & drumming. Years 5 & 6 were also visited by a woodwind ensemble called The Thorne Trio.

The music festival's highlight was the concert on Wednesday evening. Well done to everyone who performed; I am in awe of your talents.

Thank you so, so much to all of the teachers (here and the music teachers who come to us) for making all of this possible and for supporting our children. Thank you especially to Ms Davey for organising such a fabulous couple of weeks - amazing!

Missing Jacket

Shantaya Noble in 5D has lost her jacket. It is a short, black bomber style jacket with white fur lining. It has her name in it. Please can you check your child's jackets at home, to make sure that you don't have the wrong one. If we find items that do not belong to us, please can we make sure that they are always returned to school? Thank you.



Thank you so, so much for your kind contributions on Red Nose Day last Friday. We are still collecting money in so we will let you know the final figure when it is all in. I do know though, that at the end of the disco on Friday we had collected over **£300**. This is the most we have ever raised in a single day for charity.

You are all stars!!

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club is open to all our children from 8.00 daily. However, if you want your child to attend from 7.30am, there is a charge of £2.00 per session. You must register your child in advance with Mrs jolley. You are also required to take your child in to the club and sign them in the Breakfast club attendance register.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.



New Office Staff

We have a new member of staff in the school office. Please join us in welcoming Miss Chapman to Haseltine.

Easter Break Challenges

Here are your challenges for the next two weeks:

1. Make a 'Spring Spot' diary – draw and write about all the signs of Spring that you spot around you.
2. Buy a packet of seeds – have a go at planting something in your garden or on your window sill.
3. Even better – plant some seeds that you find in the fruit you eat. I wonder who could plant an avocado stone?
4. Design and make an Easter egg hunt for someone in your family.
5. Design and make some Easter or Springtime bunting to hang in your bedroom.
6. Read, read, read! How many books can you read in two weeks? Year 5 & 6 children: I challenge you to read at least 3 books!
7. Learn a multiplication table that you didn't know before.
8. Practise those spellings that you haven't been sure of this term.
9. Go for a jog or a run – make sure that you take an adult with you!
10. WITH AN ADULT – throw a stone into water (a pond, a lake, a river or the sea) and watch for the ripples! Think about how these ripples relate to kindness.

How many will you be able to do?

We'll talk about this in the first assembly on the Tuesday we come back.

Please keep Haseltine tidy and put your rubbish in the bins!



