



# Haseltine News

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Dear Parents, Carers, Families & Friends,

I cannot believe that we are now two thirds of the way through the year! It has gone so quickly – time flies when you are having fun! Everyone has been so busy here at Haseltine, especially your children – they have all been trying so hard with their learning and have made so much progress; just imagine how much more progress they will make by the end of the year. Keep helping your child over the holidays, reading every day together will definitely have an impact.

Haseltine's Spring Music Festival has been absolutely fantastic over these last two weeks. We have been treated to so many concerts, with your children showcasing their many, many talents. Thank you to everyone who performed and to the music teachers who are so passionate about ensuring that all children have access to a range of musical instruments. Thank you especially to Ms. Davey who organised all the events.

Another huge success this week was our Gallery Night – how amazing were all those sculptures? If only we could keep our hall like that all the time! Thank you to Mrs Mould for organising and setting up.

The government are planning to bring in multiplication tests for year 4 children over the next couple of years. In fact, one of our year 4 classes sampled this test last week. The tests showed that there will be very little time to answer each question; children will therefore need to be fluent in their times tables. It is really important to support your children with learning them – not only to help them with this test but also help them with their maths in general. I often liken times tables to a key that unlocks mathematics for some children – multiplication facts can be applied to so many areas of maths.

Finally, I would just like to wish everyone a really fantastic break and a very happy Easter to everyone celebrating. Let's hope for some sunshine and for everyone to come back fully refreshed and ready for the term ahead. See you all on Monday 16th April.  
(remember that there is no school tomorrow)

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Anderman".

Sara Anderman

### **Breakfast Club**

Just a reminder that our Breakfast Club starts at 8am, the gate will not be open for Breakfast Club until 8am. We do have some availability from 7.30am at a charge of £2 per day per child. Please speak to Miss Jolley if you want to book.

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

### **Bikeability**

Lewisham Council will be providing free child cycling courses at Downham Leisure Centre during the Easter Holiday for children age 7+.

Week 1 will be Bikeability Level 2.

Week 2 will be for non-riders/wobblers and Level 1

Full details and online booking available at

<https://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/london-borough-of-lewisham/#events>

### **School Disco**

Don't forget that our school disco will be on Friday 27th April. The evening will run like this:

Nursery and Reception classes – 3.30 to 4.00pm

KS1 – 4.15 to 5.15pm

KS2 – 5.30 to 6.30pm

This year we will also be using the disco as a way of raising money for the school so we will be charging £1 per child. Tickets will be on sale after the holidays.

Each disco is only open to children from the school please – no adults allowed either. (A huge thank you to the teachers who will be giving up their time to run the discos).

### **No school on these days:**

We have an INSET day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – this is because the school is shut for a polling day.

We also have a Bank Holiday on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

We break up for the half term holiday on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May for one week and for the summer holidays, on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Sports Day**

We have set a date for this year's Sports Day at The Bridge for Wednesday 11th July – KS1 in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. Let's hope for better weather this year!

Nursery's Sports Day will be on Monday 16th July.

### **Coffee morning for parents/carers of children taking tests**

Don't forget that I am going to run a coffee morning for parents/carers of children in Years 1, 2 & 6 on Friday 20th April at 9am. This is because your children will be taking tests during the summer term and I want to reassure you and dispel some of the myths around these tests.

### **Ideas for the Easter Holidays**

Visit The Horniman Museum Easter Fair:

Enjoy the Easter weekend at the Horniman with the whole family. Go on our Easter trail, create something crafty in the workshops, have your face painted and join in family activities across the Gardens.

You could also visit 'Colour: The Rainbow Revealed' exhibition and the aquarium.

There is also a Butterfly House in the tropical indoor garden – it's well worth the visit. The Horniman Museum has been named as being in the top ten 'Coolest Museums in the World'.

Peter Rabbit is coming to Kew Gardens!

It's quite expensive to get in (£38 for a family of four – cheaper if you have Blue Peter cards), but it really is a lovely day out.

A World Inside a Book: Gruffalos, dragons and other creatures:

An exhibition at the Discovery Centre at Stratford – it sounds very exciting!

The Maritime Museum, Museum of London, Natural History Museum and Science Museum are also great places to visit for free, especially if the weather isn't so great.

Have fun exploring!





# The Secret Life of 4 & 5 Year Olds

The award-winning Channel 4 series is returning to follow 4 and 5 year olds, as they play, learn and interact with other children in a nursery. They will be observed throughout by leading scientists and psychologists, who will give insights into child development.

We are currently looking for **4 and 5 year old children** and their parents to take part. Your child would be needed for a week or two of filming during the summer holidays.

**If you are interested please go to the below link to fill out our online application form**

<https://www.shortaudition.com/The-Secret-Life-2018>

*We are committed to promoting inclusion and welcome applications from parents of children living with a disability. All communications with us will be treated in confidence.*

*Any information you give us will be kept securely and confidentially and in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 (and your right of access to the information is as provided under that Act).*