

# Hexton JMI School Newsletter

Spring 2023: Issue 10

## Headteacher's Message

It's really started to feel like Spring this week – the weather warmed up and the daffodils are in bloom all over the school grounds.

We have had some lovely activities going on in school this week, and it seems we have Spring fever, as they all appear to be along the same theme. In assembly, we have talked about Lent and Easter. During outdoor learning, children painted rocks and collected flowers to keep in test tubes. On Thursday, Rev Mary told the children the story of the fourth wise man, who had intended to see the baby Jesus but actually only just made it in time for the crucifixion. On Thursday afternoon, both classes enjoyed a music workshop from Herts Music Service. There are photos of these activities on our social media, so do check them out!

This is the last newsletter for this term. I would like to remind you all that when we return on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, the gates will open from 8:30 a.m. You may bring your children early or you may work towards this through the term.

Next term, we have some lovely events planned for you to look forward to. There will be a class assembly from each class (dates TBC), the Spring Fayre, more HPA events plus Maths week, Feeling good week and Sports Day/healthy living week – to name just a few.

I'll see you all next week for parents'/carers' evening – have a lovely weekend!

## This Week's Letters

Pupil annual reports, new menus for after Easter, DSPL attachment, Easter camp flyer, Reception health questionnaire.

## Dates

\* £1 donation optional

Date	Event
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> and Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parents' Evenings time 3:45-5:30 (Oak class just on Monday)
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Easter Egg Hunt
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	End of term 1:30 Non-school uniform
3 <sup>rd</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr	INSET day (no school)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Primary School Allocation Day
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Spring Fayre 12-4
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank holiday
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	INSET day (no school)
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> May	HPA ball TBC
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	Half term
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Jun	HPA Mad Hatter's Tea Party TBC
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day

## Parents' and Carers' Evening

On Monday (and Tuesday for Acorns) it will be our final Parents' and Carers' Evening of the year. All parents and carers have now been contacted and you will find your allocated time inside your child's report, which will have been given to you by your child this afternoon.

Refreshments will be served in the Learning Zone, so pop in and see me for a cuppa and a chat between appointments if you wish. Mrs Claxton will also be available on Monday if you would like to talk about anything to do with SEND or inclusion.

## Last Week of Term

Next week is the final week before the Easter holidays. On Thursday afternoon, HPA have organised an Easter egg hunt for children in the fields behind the school. Children will be back in school for the end of the day, when there will be tea, coffee and cake served for anyone who would like to stay. The last day of term is on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. This will be a non-school uniform day. No donation is required. School will finish at 1:30p.m.

*Mighty oaks from little acorns grow...*



## Golden Ticket Winners

Congratulations to our 'Golden Ticket' winners for showing the school values. These children will have a tea party with Mrs Squires on Monday afternoon.

**Acorn class: Saffy, Carter**  
**Oak class: Ayla, Eliza**



Please send in any achievements outside school so that we can celebrate them each Friday.

## Weekly Sports Star

Congratulations to our sports stars:

**Acorn: Saffy**  
**Oak: Eliza**



Both showed some of the Hex 6Rs in their PE lessons this week.

## House Points

Each week children collect house points in school. Our target is 750. This week, they earned 71, bringing the total to **614!** Each week in assembly we enjoy calculating how many more points to the whole school reward – just 136 to go!

## 100% Attendance

Congratulations to all the children who have achieved 100% attendance this week, coming to school every day, on time.

Ayla, Ed, Ollie, Finley, Freddie, Nancy, Jan, Joe, Isla, Hannah, Carter, Clark, Hugo, Roman, Saffy, Iris & Eliza

Whole school attendance this week: **93.3%**

## Booking Clubs for Next Term

Over Easter you will notice a new page appear under the '[Our School](#)' section of our website called, 'Wraparound Care.' This will give more information about our breakfast club and after school clubs, and you will be able to book all of the clubs via this page. All places must be booked and paid for - for all clubs - in advance.

Next term, Monday's focus will be Science Club. HPA are running a Gardening Club on a Tuesday, and Multi-Sports will continue with Daryl on Thursdays.

## Oak Class Food Tasting

On Monday afternoon next week, Oak class are going to have chance to taste some foods from different countries in Africa to round off their topic of "Come Fly With Me, Africa." Children will not be obliged to try anything they do not want to, but will be offered a range of delicacies such as Jollof rice and plantain chips. If you do not want your child to take part, please let us know before Monday lunchtime. Photos of the session will be on social media by the end of next week.

## A Week in Pictures



Oak class demonstrating their investigative work from NRich this week.

Outdoor learning from this week (rocks) and a previous week (pine cones).



This display shows the Fabergé eggs created by Acorn class and their delightful Russian dolls. This was created during busy fingers.



This book shows the shape of the poem some of Oak class have been learning. They recited the poem to help them explore the rhythm.



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