

# Hexton JMI School Newsletter

Summer 2023: Issue 4

## Headteacher's Message

This week the weather was better than anticipated and we have enjoyed some warm and sunny days playing and learning outside. This week was SATs week for our year six pupils. This involves pupils completing 6 statutory, standardised assessment tests in English and maths, under exam conditions. A huge congratulations to them for their hard work and progress this year, and getting through their SATs week with a smile on their faces. We are all so proud of them.

Over the next month, we also have KS1 SATs for year 2 pupils (these are not under exam conditions), the KS1 phonics screening (Years 1 and 2) and the year 4 multiplication check. These are all statutory. If you would like to discuss what these mean for your child, please make a meeting with your child's teacher.

This week we have had an exciting week for the creepy crawlies in school! The caterpillars have now formed their chrysalides in Acorn class and are beginning their metamorphosis. On Thursday, Oak welcomed some stick insects into class! They have been fascinated looking at them and learning about their life cycle.

Mrs Parratt joined us for assembly on Thursday this week and talked to the children about boasting. She told the story of the sun and the wind, and we reflected on how it might make others feel if we were to boast about how easy we find a particular skill.

## Wrest Park

Next week on Tuesday is our whole school trip to Wrest Park. Children will need to come to school in their school uniform with a packed lunch. They need a packed lunch, water and clothes appropriate to the weather (including a jacket and/or sun cream). **If you have not yet given your consent for the trip, please do so as soon as possible by using this [google forms link](#).**

## Dates

\* £1 donation optional

Date	Event
15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to school week
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> May	<a href="#">Whole School Trip to Wrest Park TBC</a>
15 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> May	KS1 SATs taking place
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<a href="#">INSET day (no school)</a>
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	<i>Half term</i>
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<a href="#">HPA Mad Hatter's Tea Party TBC</a>
5 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Multiplication check (Year 4)
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening Check Week (KS1)
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	<a href="#">Oak Class Assembly 2:40p.m.</a>
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> June	World Music Day
26 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup> June	Healthy Living Week
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<a href="#">Sports Day</a>
Date TBC	<a href="#">School Fair</a>
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Acorn Class Assembly TBC</a>
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> July	<a href="#">Transition Day</a>
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Around the world day
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	<a href="#">End of term (1:30p.m.) Non-uniform</a>

## Walk to School Week

Just a reminder that next week is Walk to School Week. We encourage children to walk/scoot/cycle part of the way to school where possible.

## Oak swimming

Oak class will be going swimming every Monday from next week (15<sup>th</sup>). They will need their kit with them every week (please see list from last week's newsletter). If you haven't already, please give permission as soon as possible via the google form which can be found [here](#). *Children cannot be taken swimming without parental consent.*

## This Week's Letters

DSPL for parents/carers, HPA fundraising letter, Hitchin Art Club flyer, Football camp flyer., Sportzone Flyer



*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: Carter, Hannah, Nancy**  
**Oak class: Finley, Roman**



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

## House Points

Each week children collect house points in school. Our target is 750. This week, they earned 93 bringing the total to **253!** Just another 497 to go until our next whole school treat! Well done to all those whose efforts this week led to house points being awarded.

## 100% Attendance

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

*Ollie, Nancy, Jaś, Carter, Iris, Ayla, Hennadii, Ed, Finley, Freddie, Clark, Eliza, Roman.*

Whole school attendance this week: **87.5%**

## Weekly Sports Star

Congratulations to our sports stars:



**Acorn: Nancy**  
**Oak: Ayla**

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

## TTRS and Numbots

This week, the pupils playing TTRS and Numbots for the greatest number of minutes were:

**Acorn: Hugo, Ben**  
**Oak: Freddie**

Remember to play for 5 minutes a day for your chance to win a certificate every week!

## Warm weather

Now it is warming up, please send your child in with adequate sun protection. They will need a hat and sun cream every day that it is hot. You can either put on long-lasting sun cream, provide sun cream your child can administer themselves, or give the school permission to apply cream. We are only able to apply cream to children's faces, arms and necks. We are happy to provide children's sun cream for those with permission, but if your child/ren has/have any allergies, it would be advisable to provide your own.

## A Week in Pictures

A few snapshots of our week at Hexton this week  
(larger versions will be shared on our social media):



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