

# Hexton JMI School Newsletter

Summer 2023: Issue 5

## Headteacher's Message

I'm sorry I haven't seen much of you all the last few days – my feet have barely touched the ground this week!

On Monday, drama and science club returned after the bank holidays – both were very much enjoyed by the children involved. Tuesday saw the long-awaited school trip to Wrest Park. Over the next week, we'll share photos of the trip and the resulting school work on social media.

On Thursday, I enjoyed my weekly day in class with Acorn. It is so wonderful to spend time in class and teach our lovely children – we had great fun trying to beat the computer in a "stop the clock" time investigation (I highly recommend it for those of you with a child aged 5-7!).

This will be the final newsletter of this half term. Next week on Friday is an INSET (staff training) day. School is closed to all pupils on this day. I hope that this means you can enjoy an extended half term break, and extra time with your families. I look forward to welcoming you all back for the final half term of the year on *5<sup>th</sup> June 2023*. We will still send a ParentMail with any important communications and/or letters on Friday. Have a lovely half term!

## Y4 Multiplication Check

This is a statutory check that all year 4 pupils must complete. Children in Oak have been working on times tables every day, all year! If you would like more information about the check, please let Mrs Squires or Mrs O know and we will discuss it with you.

## Oak swimming

Oak class started swimming this week. They had so much fun in the pool and were really disappointed when the session ended! Luckily, there are lots of sessions left. Next week, the staff will be sure to get some pictures of the children enjoying their lessons to share with you.

## Dates

\* £1 donation optional

Date	Event
15 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> May	KS1 SATs taking place
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	INSET day (no school)
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
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	Oak Class Assembly 2:40p.m.
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	Sports Day
Date TBC	School Fair
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Acorn Class Assembly TBC
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Around the world day
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of term (1:30p.m.) Non-uniform

## Wrest Park

This week was our whole school trip to Wrest Park. The trip was a huge success and enjoyed by all. Thank you to the wonderful Mrs Foot who organised and led the school trip! The children explored the gardens, mansion and Orangery and played games on the lawns. They enjoyed a picnic together on the grass, visited the gift shop and played together at the park. The weather was perfect, too – what a delightful day was had by all! Since Tuesday, the children have been reflecting on their trip, recalling it and, in Acorn class, writing recounts. Once they have completed some of their writing, it will be shared on our social media.

## This Week's Letters

Rainbow Run flyer, Superstar Sport sports camp 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: Isla, Iris, Ben, Ollie**  
**Oak class: Ed, Eliza**



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 90 bringing the total to **343!** Just another 407 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, Isla, Carter, Iris, Ben, Hennadii, Ed, Finley, Freddie, Clark, Eliza, Hannah*

Whole school attendance this week: **80.1%**

## Weekly Sports Star

Congratulations to our sports stars:



**Acorn: Carter**  
**Oak: Ed**

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, Carter**  
**Oak: Ed, Clark, Eliza, Ayla**

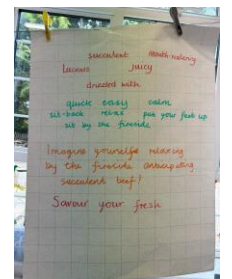
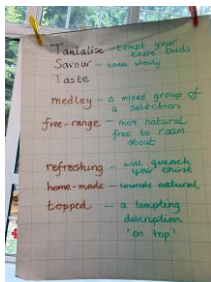
Remember to play for 5 minutes a day for your chance to win a certificate every week!

## KS1 Phonics Screening Check

It is a statutory requirement that all KS1 pupils take the phonics screening test during the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> June. This is nothing to worry about! The children have been practising all year, and the check that takes place is not under exam conditions or at all stressful for the children. If you would like to now more, please make an appointment either with Mrs Squires or Mrs Foot, and we will be glad to talk you through what to expect.

## 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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