The Old School Henstead

Newsletter

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Calendar for next week

Monday 25 June Tuesday 19 June Summer Show Rehearsals 1.30 Nursery, Reception and Year I Swimming 2.15 Years 4, 5 & 6 Swimming 2.30 Years 2 & 3 Gymnastics 1.30 Sports Day & Summer Fayre 4.00 Tea followed by Parents/Pupils Cricket & Rounders 9.15 Early Years Beach Visit

Wednesday 27 June

Friday 29 June

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4 July Thursday 5 July Friday 6 July Saturday 7-Sunday 8 July Summer Shows (see page 11 for details of performances) Summer Shows Speech Day Henstock (See Page 7 for details - tickets bookable now at the office.)



Message from the Headmaster

We welcome all of our guests, pupils, families and friends to the school tomorrow morning. It promises to be a splendid morning and we look forward to seeing you.

Mr McKinney



Open Morning Saturday 23 June.

Our Open Morning (half day school) takes place tomorrow, Saturday 23 June. We would be grateful if you would consider who to invite. If you are able to display a poster (or electronic poster) at your organisation, please request this from the office.

Pupils should arrive in full uniform (including blazers) for 9:30 registration and bring their sports kit. We encourage visitors to arrive between 9:45 and 10:00, so that they may choose which activities they wish to view.

The sports element of the programme will include a tennis session with our tennis pro Ben Thompson, a Pony Club element, science, arts and more. We appreciate your help in spreading the word.

Showtime!



Here is a glimpse of some of the cast members from the upcoming productions of Treasure Island and Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat.

















Reception Roundup.







In maths this week we have been 2D and 3D shapes, addition, counting objects, measuring, ordering numbers to twenty and sunflowers and enjoy measuring them as they continue to grow. Our consistent care and attention has enabled us to enjoy the fruits of our labour and helped with our maths too as we share out the strawberries. We even helped Year 2 with their maths lesson on estimation. To support our practical understanding of money we created our own shop.We made our own price labels and shopping lists as well as through role play.

We continue to enjoy the summer weather with alfresco dinning. This is always a good opportunity for discussions and to demonstrate our developing manners.

As part of our transition to Year I we joined the current Year Ones in their classroom and worked in pairs to create our own dinosaurs after being inspired by the current Year One topic and reading a story about dinosaurs. We had a great afternoon on Thursday when we got to meet our new teacher and to choose our Year One mascot. We are getting very excited about our summer show and enjoyed trying out all our pirate costumes. To practise our confident speaking skills, we will be singing our French colours song *I Can Sing a Rainbow* at the open morning. We enjoyed rehearsing this with Year One.

It is lovely to welcome Jude to our class and we enjoyed sharing our love of reading with him and talking about our reading books.A new helper has also joined our school for the last few weeks of term and it has been a welcome difference as we got to share our almost completed his journey through school. We have taken this opportunity to compare our start of school and how much we all change and develop as we grow. We also showed off our fantastic writing and impressed Mrs Scriven with our ability to write words using digraph and trigraph sounds.

In preparation for our sandcastle competition on our beach trip next Friday we have designed our own flags and started to discuss safety at the seaside and learn all about the lifeboats, lifeguards and the work they do. Look forward to welcoming you to our classroom on open morning.

Mrs Scriven & Mrs Dakin







Nursery News.





This week the key word has been practice. The children have been practising running for Sports Day. They have been brilliant at taking part, taking turns, cheering each other on and keeping in the track lines. In Phonics we have been practising saying the letters of the alphabet and linking the sounds to the letter names. We have also been practising writing our names ready to show our Reception teachers next year.

We love our action songs and have been getting ready for our opening number in the Summer Show which means practising our song which involves the numbers I to 10.The children have enjoyed practising their number recognition with various number games.













Nursery Star of the Week 🔀

Nursery Star of the Week award goes to Harley for a sleepover this weekend. She was really proud of him for being so brave on Wednesday.

Mrs Vorster & Miss Butcher

SPORTS ROUND UP

Swimming







SWIMMING

Swimming is not just for fun, it also provides a multitude of health benefits. As a school we provide the opportunity for our pupils to learn the mechanics of swimming, to physically and emotionally gain as they endeavour, from the very youngest in Nursery to the eldest in Year 6.

Swimming keeps our children's heart and lungs healthy, improves strength and flexibility, increases stamina and even improves balance and posture. The weekly lessons led by our swimming instructors provides challenges and rewards accomplishments, helping children to become selfconfident and believe in their abilities.

The Swimming Gala is the culmination of their learning with boys and girls being encouraged to not only compete against others, but more importantly compete against themselves. Competition between the Houses was keen and celebrated with enthusiasm. Individuals displayed all our values, Confidence, Resilience, Adventure, Empathy, Teamwork and Excellence. Congratulations to the winning House, the winning individuals and to every competitor.

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SPORTS ROUND UP

Cricket







CRICKET

We could not have had better conditions for the annual visit of our friends from Widford Lodge. Beccles Cricket Club (many thanks to Mr Warnes) had extended the invitation to use their ground and there was great excitement as the Henstead team inspected the AstroTurf wicket. Warm sunshine, a light breeze and a toothsome tea supplied by Mrs Guildea, which was already being eyed up by one or two.

Having lost the toss, we were put in and got off to a bright start, with Captain Jack (the piratical theme is big at school of late) plundering runs and Bo'sun Francis (I shall tire of this soon) hitting straight and running hard across the deck (but not yet.) The two ship mates remained unbeaten for four overs (that's 24 bells) and retired, allowing Archie (who had only just managed to take of his gold prefect's tie) and Harry the flashing blade to take over. Harry's style is closer to Fenway than Fenners, but it is effective and Archie cashed in too.

Louis and Tom were next up and kept the scoreboard ticking over, soon to be replaced by Matthew and Daisy who brought our total towards three figures. Charlie and Alex chipped in and Harvey finished our account in what might have been an extra over, but Mr Hunter was umpiring barefoot with a view to eliminating the ankle sock tan line, so he may have had a dream (also a significant theme at school currently.) We set a target of 101 to win.

Tea under the belt, we took to the field, Matthew with an opening over of many colours and Daisy with right arm over sufficiently accurate to please even Potiphar, resulting in a tidy caught and bowled in her second over. Enter Francis, relishing the

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turn and encouraging a risky single that produced a sharp run out. Then came the second over, even sharper turn, flight and guile and, like Pharaoh's dream, into the score book went 'bowled Freeland (a Jaffa) caught Field (at second slip!) At t'other end, Louis reminded one of a canny medium pacer for Eton Strawberry. Harry B replaced the unplayable Francis and took a wicket in his first over, with Tom taking over at the rugby ground end and getting in the wickets column also. Captain Jack then took the ball to get in on the act and Archie safely pouched a top edge at first slip. Harvey and Alex had their moment with the cherry too and let us not forget Charlie, who kept safely throughout behind the stumps. We restricted the opposition to 69 runs, giving away too many wides but producing the best fielding performance of the season to win by 31 runs.



Saturday 7th July 2018 Campsite opens 1pm



Disco and Karaoke

The Old School Henstead

6.30 'til late Barbeque and Camping

Auction of Promises

Sign up in the office now for tickets: Adults £5, Children £3.

WEDNESDAY 27TH JUNE FOLLOWING SPORTS DAY

THE GREAT HENSTEAD BAKE OFF, ARENA GAMES, CRICKET, BBQ REFRESHMENTS, PRIZE DRAW TALLEST SUNFLOWER CONTEST

SUMMER FAYRE

Wednesday 27th June 2018

Children's Competitions

Junior Baking Up to Year 2: 6 biscuits or fairy cakes.

Senior Baking Years 3-6: a cake with more than one layer

> Tallest Sunflower As supplied by the school council

Construction A model using any type of material (lego, wood, junk modelling) Not from a kit.

> Art or Craft Any picture or craft project.

All entries 50p. Please bring to the hall on the morning of the fayre.

WEDNESDAY 27TH JUNE 2018 THE GREAT HENSTEAD BAKE OFF

Calling all parents and grandparents! Enter your bake for one of the following categories:

Signature Bake: 6 scones, sweet or savoury with your personal twist.

Technical Challenge: 8 Chocolate brownies

Showstopper: A celebration cake.

> £1 per entry. All entries to be handed in on the morning of the fayre

Mascot Awards.

This week's Mascot Awards, presented to pupils most demonstrating this half term's value Excellence, were awarded to:



Reception: Jude for excellence in his learning during his first week of school. Year 1: Oscar for excellence in his palaeontology work.

Year 2: Jack W for showing excellence in maths, and times tables in particular. Year 3: Bertie for excellence in his handwriting.

Year 4: Harry D for excellence and dedication to his presentation on the planet Uranus. Year 5: Jack for excellence in French, remembering vocabulary over the course of the year.

Year 6: All of Year 6 for excellence during the transition day with Year I.

Golf Day



Our Golf Day will take place after the Open Morning tomorrow, Saturday 23 June at 2pm. The venue will be Rookery Park, Par 3 Course. All are welcome to join us for an enjoyable afternoon. Please see Mr Hunter or register your interest at the office.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Times (Term Time)

Mondays 8.15-9.15 Thursdays 3.15-4.15

@OldSchoolHstead You Tube



Show Schedule

Wednesday 4 July 2.00pm Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Years 4-6)

6.30pm Treasure Island (Years R-3)

Thursday 5 July

2.00pm Nursery Song followed by Treasure Island (Years R-3)

7.00pm Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (Years 4-6)

Tickets:

£6 adult £4 child

Booking forms have been sent out via pupils. Please return them as soon as possible to form teachers so that we may accommodate your requests.





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Thank you to everyone who so generously donated items on Monday's non-uniform day.

Last Ice Cream Friday Today

Thank you to the PTFA and School Council for running our Ice Cream Friday project for the last few weeks. Financial results will be posted soon! Today is the last day, due to the events of the final two weeks of term. Thank you to the children for their enthusiasm is helping to run it and purchase items.