



THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



School Newsletter
Spring Term
1st March 2024



We were delighted to welcome Reverend Alix Taylor to our school just before we broke for half term. The children thoroughly enjoyed her 'Pancake Tossing' assembly! Many of you may already know Reverend Alix from the Carol Service - she solved the mystery of the donkey's stripe!

I am delighted to say that Reverend Alix will become a much-valued addition to our school community. Her next mission, an incredibly challenging one, is to judge the Easter Bonnet competition. A message to all of you boys and girls – not long left to plan and create your amazing bonnets. Time to get creative! Good luck to all!

- Miss Clifton



Key Dates:

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Friday 15th March - PTFA Family Easter Bingo

Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day (Non-Uniform)

Thursday 21st March - Easter Service - St Mary's Henstead

Friday 22nd March - Easter Bonnet Parade

Friday 22nd March - Last day of Spring Term

Monday 25th - Thursday 28th March - Easter Holiday Club

Monday 15th April - Summer Term Commences

Full details regarding each of these events will be provided nearer the time and more dates will be added weekly.

EASTER

Holiday Club

MONDAY 25TH TO THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

9AM – 3.30PM

For Children in Reception Onwards

MONDAY

EASTER ARTS & CRAFTS

WIND CHIMES
EASTER BUNNY GARLANDS
EASTER BUNNY MANNEQUINS
UKRANIAN EASTER EGGS

with Miss Bennie & Mrs Solomon

TUESDAY

EASTER BAKING DAY

EASTER EGG NESTS
SHORTBREAD BUNNIES
BUNNY BUNS

with Miss Bennie & Mrs Braidwood

WEDNESDAY

OUTDOOR CRAFTS & GAMES

BUG HOTEL
FAIRY HOUSES
BIRD FEEDERS
CAPTURE THE FLAG

with Miss Bennie & Mrs Sonn

THURSDAY

EASTER PARTY & MOVIE DAY

MOVIE WITH POPCORN
& SQUASH
PARTY GAMES
EASTER EGG HUNT

with Miss Bennie & Mrs Leggett

£40 Per Day

Book Online: www.parents-booking.co.uk/tosh





Year Two

These are photos from a scavenger hunt that we did this week to see what season we are in now. We discovered we are going into spring as there are daffodils around, as well as blossom on some of the trees and crocuses, but no leaves on the trees just yet!

- Mrs Solomon





Year Four

We had a wonderful day at the Time and Tide museum on Wednesday, learning about what life was like during WW2. The boys and girls travelled back to 1941 when Great Yarmouth was in the thick of the action as a 'front line town.' They discovered how the war affected people on the home front and met an ARP warden, a housewife, a shopkeeper and a Home Guard soldier. They found out how to stay safe in an air raid and take cover in a Morrison shelter, as well as trying on gas masks, marching on the enemy, counting rations and learning how to 'make-do and mend.' Phew! What a fascinating and exciting day!

- Mrs Sonn





Year Four





School Mascots

Mascots were awarded this week to the pupils best demonstrating our school values for this half term: Adventurer and Analyser.

Well done to all of our mascot winners from this week:

Reception - Hugh
Year One - Ayla
Year Two - Sofia

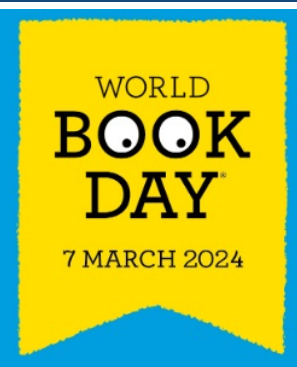
Year Three - Carter
Year Four - Olivia
Year Five - Emily





Red Nose Day

Friday 15th March is Red Nose Day! Children may come to school in non-uniform with a 'red' theme! Red noses will be painted for those that wish. Please could children bring a £1 donation to the charity.



World Book Day

World Book Day is **Thursday 7th March**. Children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character!

Tennis Court

A big thank-you to a kind parent who has spent many hours of his time jet washing the tennis court ready for the Summer! Thank you.



Acoustic Drum Lessons

We are looking forward to having an acoustic drum demonstration on Monday to offer the opportunity of lessons to anyone interested. It will be for pupils in KS2 initially. Please contact n.pakenham@theoldschoolhenstead.co.uk if you are interested in more details.



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EASTER BONNET PARADE

22nd March 2024
9:00am in the Orchard

You are invited to take part in this years Easter
Bonnet Parade!

Please create an easter bonnet to wear in the
parade at the end of the term.

This years categories are:

The most detailed.

The craziest.

The tallest.

**visiting Judge and prizes
to be won.**





Lunch Menu - w/c 4th March

MONDAY	Spaghetti Bolognese with Garlic Bread and Salad Bar (A,b,d,g,i)
TUESDAY	Hot Dog with Curly Fries and Salad Bar (A,b,d,g,i,m,n)
WEDNESDAY	Chilli Con Carne, served with Rice and Salad Bar (a,b,d,g,i)
THURSDAY	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffing and Roast Potatoes served with Seasonal Vegetables (a,b,d,g,i)
FRIDAY	Jumbo Fish Fingers served with Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans and Salad Bar (a,b,d,e,g,i,n)

Daily - Selection of Fresh Fruit, Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits with a Sweet Treat on a Friday^(g,b)

Alternatives for vegetarian, vegans and food intolerances.

(a=celery, b=gluten, c=crustaceans, d=eggs, e=fish, f=lupin, g=milk, h=molluscs, i=mustard, j=nuts, k=peanuts, l=sesame seeds, m=soya, n=sulphur dioxide)



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