

# Hatfield Heath Primary School Weekly Bulletin

12<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## Message from Mrs Gelston

It was lovely to see so many parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles at our Sports Day this week. We were very lucky with the weather as it had forecast rain and in the end turned out to be a glorious afternoon. The children told me how much they enjoyed taking part in the wide variety of sports, not just the competitive running races. One Year 4 girl told me, 'It was great because I got to earn points for my team when I'm not good at running!'. We hope you enjoyed it as much as your children did. I must say a big thank you to the PFA for organising refreshments, to all the staff and helpers for their hard work in the setting up and running of the day but especially to Miss Harris for her wonderful organisation of the day.

## Open Afternoon – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 2.45pm

This is a reminder that we have an open afternoon on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July for parents and carers to come into classes to celebrate what children have achieved this year. As was explained last week, this is also an opportunity for you to meet your child's next teacher, see their classroom for next year and to look at what the expectations are by looking in pupils' books and work on display.

Parents and carers are invited into school from 2.45pm (there is no expectation for everyone to arrive at 2.45pm because the school is open up until 4.30pm). Please come into school via the main office, where you will then be taken to your child's current classroom and guided around the school by your child. Your child must then stay with you whilst you walk around the school.

The school will be 'open' for parents to wander around until 4.30pm but, of course, there is no expectation for you to stay in school for all this time. Once you are happy with what you have seen, and have spoken to the members of staff you wish to, then you are free to take your child home.

We hope you will enjoy coming into school and have a wander around.

## Children's Books

In the final few days of term children will be bringing home the books they have used and worked in all year. Please send in a plastic bag so that children can bring these home as there are quite a lot of them!

## Sun Safety Reminder

Just a reminder to parents and carers that we ask for sun cream to be applied on children before coming to school each day. Many companies now produce sun cream that is long-lasting and therefore should provide protection during school hours without the need for reapplication. Should you want your child to have sun cream reapplied then he/she must be able to do this themselves. Mrs Jackman led an assembly a number of weeks ago demonstrating to children how to apply sun cream.

Please also keep sending your children in with hats and water bottles. Thank you.

## No Dogs in the Playground



A reminder to all dog owners that no dogs, small or large, are allowed in our school playgrounds. This includes dogs that are being carried.

## PFA Swimathon

Along with the newsletter today, you should receive all the forms needed for the PFA Swimathon that will be held on Friday next week. Children in Years 1 up to and including Year 6 will take part in this fundraising event during school time and will bring home the forms at the end of the day to show how many lengths have been completed in their time slot. Thank you in advance for supporting the PFA in the fundraising activity.

## What an Experience for Archie!

On Saturday Archie and his family queued for 5 hours to get ground passes at Wimbledon. Unfortunately, after all that patience, Archie did not get in. However, later that evening he was in a restaurant in Wimbledon Village and he met Judy Murray and told her about the queue. Judy was amazing and told Archie that she would arrange tickets for next year. By the end of the evening, Archie was made up and a very happy boy and he also learnt a great lesson about how sometimes life may seem unfair but good things can happen. Later that evening, Judy 'tweeted' a lovely picture of Archie - it had had over 3000 likes and lots of comments and on Sunday she arranged for him to have a private tour of Wimbledon and to see the stars of tennis on the practice courts. She also invited him to a tennis coaching day she was involved in and they played singles and doubles tennis together - what an amazing experience for Archie!



## Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Rainbow Voices Event in school
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Afternoon
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 visit to Southend Sealife Centre
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	PFA Swimathon
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	1.30pm - Year 6 Leavers Graduation Assembly
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET Day – Pupils not in school
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET Day – Pupils not in school
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupils first day of the new school year
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Leventhorpe Open Evening
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	The Hertfordshire and Essex High School Open Evening Bishop's Stortford High School Open Evening
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Birchwood High School Open Evening
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Half Term holiday
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of the Autumn Term