

Hatfield Heath Primary School Weekly Bulletin

11th October 2019

Message from Mrs Gelston

Mrs Collier and I have had a good look at how well children are getting on in their Maths lessons this week. It has been fantastic to listen to how children explain their thinking to us and to each other and seeing how their confidence with numbers is growing. Over the coming months we will continue to look at how well children are working in Maths lessons and find ways of supporting children in school to get even better at the subject.

Science Week – Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October

Over the next week, staff are putting in place plans for our Science Week which will run from Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October. This year our theme is 'Science Outdoors' so this means we hope, weather permitting of course, to get the children outside as often as possible to explore the wonderful world around us. Because of this, it is very important that children bring in outdoor clothing.



On the Monday and Tuesday of the week we have been very fortunate to bring in the Fab Science company again who delighted the children last year with their scientific antics. This year their theme is 'Potty Potions' and children in all classes will get to take part in a workshop with them – I have a feeling it could all get quite messy!

Also, during the week, staff and children will be looking at their class Scientist name. We want the children to decide if they are happy with their Scientist and if not, research and decide on someone new for their class to be named after. We already have one class making a change, so we will share with you our class names after the half term holiday.

SENCo Drop-ins – A Reminder

Our school SENCO Becca Godsife will be holding parent drop-in sessions during this half term on the following dates:

Monday 14th October between 8:30am and 12pm

Monday 21st October between 1pm and 3pm

The drop-ins are an opportunity for you to discuss any further concerns you may have about your child and their progress or learning. **Please contact the office to book an appointment.** Your child does not need to be on the SEN register for you to attend. If these times are not suitable, please call the office to arrange an appointment for another time.

Large Hair Accessories

The school would like for children not to come into school with large, very colourful hair accessories. In recent weeks we have noticed some very large bows or headbands – some of which are approximately 5cm/ 6cm above the child's head. We would therefore, from Monday, like children to only have quite plain coloured hair accessories (school and neutral colours are acceptable) and smaller items that do not dominant a child's head. Thank you.

Aldi's Kit for Schools

Parents and carers will be pleased to hear that we have managed to fill our Aldi's Kit for Schools poster with 300 stickers collected by you. Thank you! We will now be able to send this poster off to Aldi to receive a sports kit and be entered into the £20,000 prize draw.



Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 14 th October	Year 5 out at The Science Museum
Monday 21 st October – Friday 25 th October	Science Week
Wednesday 23 rd October	Prospective Parent Tour (for Reception 2020 intake)
Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November	Half Term holiday
Tuesday 5 th November	Year 2 out visiting the Golden Hinde Prospective Parent Tour (for Reception 2020 intake)
Wednesday 6 th November	Year 6 out at Warner Bros Studio Tour
Monday 11 th November – Friday 15 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday 14 th November	Prospective Parent Tour (for Reception 2020 intake) Evening – PFA Quiz Night
Friday 15 th November	BBC Children in Need
Friday 22 nd November	Prospective Parent Tour (for Reception 2020 intake)
Friday 29 th November	PFA Non-Uniform Day and Christmas Bazaar (after school)
Tuesday 3 rd December	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 4 th December	Parent's Evening
Monday 9 th December	Prospective Parent Tour (for Reception 2020 intake)
Friday 13 th December	Save the Children Winter Jumper Day
Friday 20 th December	Last Day of Autumn Term
Monday 6 th January	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 7 th January	Pupils return to school
Friday 8 th February	PFA Valentines Ball at The Manor of Groves (details to follow)
Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February	Half term holiday
Monday 24 th February	Pupils return to school
Friday 3 rd April	Last Day of Spring Term