



Head Talk

What a busy couple of weeks! Thank you to all of the parents and children and staff who have supported the school during the different events that have taken place. We have had 2 Sports Days, an Enterprise Project and Nursery visits taking place this week. Next week will see the PSA Summer Fayre taking place on Saturday, a Parents' Forum happening on Wednesday afternoon and the new intake meeting for new parents on Thursday morning. So a busy week ahead for all.

Do keep an eye on the school website and parentmail system for essential information regarding the school.

Have a happy couple of weeks!

PSA Raffle

This year the summer fayre will be taking place on Saturday 7 July. Details on the afternoon will be released soon. To whet your appetites, there will be a raffle with some amazing prizes. At the moment the top five look like this:

- 1) A two week's stay in a one-bedroom poolside apartment in Phuket.
- 2) £300 Fortnum and Mason hamper donated by Crafted.
- 3) An overnight stay incl. breakfast at Greyfriars Hotel in a luxury room.
- 4) £100 Fenwick vouchers donated by Blowers and Mowers.
- 5) A two week family pass to David Lloyd Health Club.

I hope you agree that these are incredible prizes. And not only that, there are many more awesome prizes on the raffle list. In every newsletter, we will be spotlighting one of the companies who have donated a top 5 prize.

This week we are spotlighting another company who have generously donated one of our top five prizes. Greyfriars Colchester is an exquisite,

Michelin recommended, luxury hotel with superb restaurant and lounge bars. The hotel boasts 26 bedrooms, including a wide range of Grand Luxe Suites for those very special occasions. Greyfriars has kindly offered an overnight stay for two in one of their suites with a breakfast included. Please visit www.greyfriarscolchester.co.uk for more information on the hotel, its superb facilities and beautiful grounds.

This week we are spotlighting to more companies. The first is David Lloyd who have generously donated a two week family pass. This raved-about gym boasts the following facilities: gym, group exercise studios and classes, indoor and outdoor tennis courts, indoor pool, outdoor heated pool, spa facilities, spa garden, kids facilities and classes, crèche, cafe and bar. Thank you to the parent who works at David Lloyd for organising this top prize. For more information about this gym, please visit www.davidlloyd.co.uk

The second company is Greyfriars Colchester which is an exquisite, Michelin recommended, luxury hotel with superb restaurant and lounge bars. The hotel boasts 26 bedrooms, including a wide range of Grand Luxe Suites for those very special occasions. Greyfriars has kindly offered an overnight stay for two in their top Grand Luxe Signature Suite with breakfast included. Please visit www.greyfriarscolchester.co.uk for more information on the hotel, its superb facilities and beautiful grounds.

A massive thank you

A huge thank you to Chris Smith of **Kids Physio Works** for donating a generous £200 for the Summer Fayre BBQ! Your donation will increase our profit hugely, so thank you very much.

Mr Larner's Bottle Stall

Please can donations of unopened, filled bottles of wine, spirits or soft drinks be given to the office ASAP so that Mr Larner can begin to prepare for his last ever Hamilton Primary School Fayre Stall.



Year 2 Production

Year 2 will be putting on their production The Bee Musical on Thursday 12th July 2018 at 2.00pm. The gates will be open at 1.50pm.

Year 6 Enterprise

Year 6 were left delighted as their crafty creations largely sold-out at last Wednesday's Enterprise sale. From camouflaged birdhouses to emoji cushions, their unique products were definitely not available on the High Street. Parents and children splashed the cash in a frantic half-hour shopping spree, spending over £1000 (half of which was profit). Valuable business lessons have been learnt from the Enterprise project. The only task that remains: for them to decide how to spend the fruits of their labour!

Scooters and Bicycles

Can I please remind all children and parents that scooters and bicycles are not to be ridden on the school grounds. This is to ensure the safety of all people on the site.

Parking at Hamilton

Could parents please not park on the zig zag lines in the morning or after school. It is dangerous and illegal. Could parents also not use Hamilton Road as a drop off zone. We are going to have an accident if things continue as they are.

Pick up at the end of the school day

Can I please remind parents that if you are asking another adult to collect your child at the end of the school day that you write a note to the class teacher. We are getting lots of requests on the door in the morning and the member of staff on duty is finding it hard to inform all staff. In the case of an emergency, please call the school office as soon as possible so that they can inform the class teacher.

Data Protection

The school has worked very hard to make sure it is compliant with the new data protection laws and GDPR. There is an entire section of our website devoted to data protection and how we use your data. Do have a look at our privacy notices and the web page to keep up to date with what we are doing.

Transition Day 5 July 2018

On Thursday next week the Year 6 children will be taking the day to Philip Morant and all other children in the school will be spending the morning with their new class teachers. All new staff will be in the building for the day and this will be a great opportunity for some transition work to take place. Those children not transferring on to Philip Morant will be given other jobs to do around the school in the morning.

Parents' Forum 4 July @ 2pm

The next forum will take place on the above date. We will be talking about an update to the uniform policy from September, the School Development Plan, Building Works over the summer and how you can support the school by writing to Will Quince MP. The meeting will take place in the infant hall from 2pm until 2.45pm. All are welcome.

PSA News

The PSA meet on a regular basis and they are open to all parents of the school. If you have any concerns regarding the school and want this raised by the PSA, then please do attend a meeting. Date for future meetings will be published shortly. Do visit their page on the school website and their facebook page.

Rainbow and Sunshine Class Assembly

I had the pleasure of attending the Sunshine class assembly this week. I was amazed at how well the children did and how much they have grown in a year! It is staggering to think about the amount of



learning that has taken place for them this year and how they have improved in so many areas. Thank you to all the staff and children for such a wonderful display of learning.

Sports Day News

I would like to thank all of the children and staff for a brilliant set of Sports Days again this year. It is wonderful to see so many parents come along to support children and watch them take part in competitive activities. I was especially proud of the junior children who took part in the 400m and 600m races in such hot weather. It was a true show of grit and determination. Special thanks go to Miss Morley and Mrs Norris for organising the events.

Pupil News

Well done to Katherine Ames (3ND) on achieving her Silver Gymnastics award.

Well done to Ruby Jackson (3LLB) on earning a Merit for her Bronze Award in Ballet and has gained a Second Class Pass in her 8th Kyu Karate grading earning herself an orange belt.

Well done to Shaun Jackson (5CK) who has gained a Second Class Pass in his 4th Kyu Karate grading earning his blue belt.

If you have any news about your child achieving an award outside of the school, then please do share it with us. We would be very happy to publish the information for the newsletter. Just email a copy of your text to parents@hamilton.essex.sch.uk and clearly label it as newsletter text.



Calendar Dates

Summer Term 2018	
Saturday 7 th July 2018	PSA Summer Fayre from 2pm
Thursday 12 th July 2018	Year 2 Production at 2pm (gates open at 1.50pm)
Tuesday 17 th July 2018	Year 6 Production at 1.30pm (gates open at 1.20pm)
Wednesday 18 th July 2018	Year 6 Production at 7.00pm
Friday 20 th July 2018	Last Day of Term
Tuesday 4 th September 2018	Non Pupil Day
Tuesday 11 th September 2018	Year 6 Year Ahead Meeting – 6.30pm-7.30pm Year 3 Year Ahead Meeting – 7.30pm – 8.30pm
Wednesday 12 th September 2018	Year 1 Year Ahead Meeting – 6.30pm-7.30pm Year 5 Year Ahead Meeting – 7.30pm – 8.30pm
Thursday 13 th September 2018	Year 2 Year Ahead Meeting – 6.30pm-7.30pm Year 4 Year Ahead Meeting – 7.30pm – 8.30pm
Friday 21 st September 2018	Non Pupil Day
Monday 1 st October – Friday 5 th October 2018	Year 6 to Aylmerton Field Study Centre
Monday 22 nd October – Friday 26 th October 2018	Half Term
Tuesday 13 th November – Thursday 15 th November 2018	Learning Conferences
Monday 10 th December – Tuesday 11 th December 2018	Infant Nativity – Christchurch 6pm
Wednesday 12 th – Thursday 13 th December 2018	Junior Carol Service – Christchurch 6pm
Wednesday 19 th December 2018	Last Day of Term
Thursday 20 th December 2018 – Wednesday 2 nd January 2019	Christmas Holiday

Email Information

If contacting the school via email please use:

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