

# Hatfield Heath Primary School Weekly Bulletin

1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

## Message from Mrs Gelston - 'What's Great about Great Britain?' Week

Thank you to all the parents and family members who have helped children to understand their family backgrounds this week – children have enthusiastically shared their family trees with me all week. I have certainly enjoyed hearing how proud children are of their families and, in some cases, how surprised they have been to find out where family members were born or brought up.

During the week children have taken part in many thought-provoking activities:

- Year 6 have learnt about the rule of law and had an eye-opening visit from a local magistrate.
- Year 5 have learnt about democracy through a study of the suffragette movement.
- Year 4 focused on multi-cultural Britain, celebrating our wonderfully diverse country.
- Year 3 have been responsible for showcasing the work of a small number of local charities and presenting this to the rest of the school, resulting in a whole school vote for Animals .....
- Year 2 have created incredible models of many British landmarks including the Angel of the North!
- Year 1 have learnt and recreated work by many British artists including Damien Hirst.
- Reception have learnt about the Royal Family and have drawn some wonderful portraits.



The week has ended with so many children dressing in red, white and blue and a celebration assembly concerned with their work. Thank you everyone for your support and we hope children have enjoyed sharing their learning at home with you.

## Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday, next week, is Safer Internet Day. During this day we will complete quite intensive work around children staying safe online and this year we shall be focusing on consent.

There are lots of articles and information for parents to read, one particular article is related to screen time (something many parents worry about). Parents can access the article via this link:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/5-things-parents-should-know-about-screen-time>

## World War II Visitor in Darwin Class (Year 6)

The following has been written by Josie and Olivia (Darwin Class):

'On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January, Mr Millen and Mr Wilton visited our class and held a World War II afternoon. As we returned from lunch we had to crawl into the classroom as together they had turned our class into a bomb site! Once we had all settled down Mr Millen told us about his World War II experiences as a child; including evacuation, the Blitz and the V2 bombing that he was involved in.



Overall we had an amazing afternoon listening to what they had to say – we all found it fun and interesting. Although we could not possibly imagine what it would be like, they gave us a boost and a better understanding of our World War II topic. Many thanks to both Mr Millen and Mr Wilton for giving our class a really enjoyable afternoon and for helping to develop our knowledge!'

## Workshops in Child Mental Health 2019 – Presented by EWMHS and Family Solutions

West Essex EWMH service and Family Solutions have developed introductory sessions that will cover the basics of child mental health and emotional wellbeing. These concise informative sessions are free of charge. The morning sessions are designed for parents who are interested in their children's emotional development or whose children are experiencing difficulties or who are already involved with the services. Time is given to questions and further thinking about how parents can support their children to develop positive emotional well-being. These sessions are stand alone and repeated nine times throughout the year. The sessions run from 9.30am until 12.00pm.

Dates:

February 28th – Saffron Walden	March 28th – Loughton/Epping	April 25th – Harlow
May 23rd – Saffron Walden	June 27th – Loughton/Epping	September 26th – Harlow
October 31st – Saffron Walden	November 28th – Loughton	

## Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	PFA Valentine's Ball
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Darwin Class (Year 6) at Duxford IWM SENCo Drop in Session
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Einstein Class (Reception) Penguin Day
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Attenborough Class trip to Hollytrees Museum PFA Valentine's Day Cake Sale
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Half Term Holiday
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent's evening
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent's evening
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March (2.15pm – 3.15pm)	Einstein Class (Reception) Open Afternoon – Parents invited into school
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths) Week – more information will follow
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	PFA Mother's Day Secret Presents Room
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Last Day of Term
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	PFA Father's Day Secret Presents Room
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	PFA Summer Fayre