

Hatch Beauchamp

Church of England Primary School

Life to the Full



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News from our head of school

The term has run away from us and I am surprised half term is upon us already, it was great to see so many of you this week at parent consultations. The transition to the new trust has, on the whole, been a smooth process and thank you for bearing with us as we work out a few wrinkles and staff settle into the new processes.



After half term we will be adopting the ACE way of working. We have blocked our foundation subjects and will be working on a Science and English linked experience within journals. Some subjects will be continuing as weekly lessons, such as PE, RE, PHSE and French and of course, Maths and phonics will continue to be taught daily. I look forward to sharing with you later this term, the work the children are producing.

Attendance is something we monitor closely, and whilst we appreciate children do become ill the odd day here and there soon adds up. There are very few circumstances where a term time holiday would be approved and we would urge you to think very carefully before booking any holiday as this could incur a fine.

On 29th February at 9am Cheryl Weyman (CEO) and Nick Hind (Excellence Director) will be hosting an introduction to ACE for parents and carers with the opportunity for questions.

This will be held at Ashill where you will all be very welcome.

Thank you to all those parents who are working with their children to promote home reading and maintain the reading records. February half term can often be a little wet and cold, so an ideal chance to go to the library and explore some ideas for world book day.

Thank you again for your support. On behalf of the staff, we all really appreciate it. Have a wonderful break and we'll see you on **Tuesday 20th February**.

Joanne Crocker

The Photo of the Week



Hatch Beauchamp – a school for fine young ladies (and gentlemen)!



Dates for your Diary

Please see final page of the newsletter for full list of important upcoming dates.

Our Value for this week

Compassion

Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them humanity cannot survive.

Dalai Lama

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Attendance (Since the last newsletter):

Acorn: 89.6%

Oak: 87.07%

Whole School: 88.58%

We have suffered from severely low attendance recently, which is not good. Please do all you can to ensure your child is in school and on time.

18.12.23 Not awarded due to low attendance figures

05.01.24 Not awarded due to low attendance figures

12.01.24 Not awarded due to low attendance figures

19.01.24 Acorns 100%

26.01.24 Acorns

02.02.24 Acorns

Toot the Owl Winner:

Toot the Owl is awarded to the class with the best attendance for the week because good attendance at school helps you to be you wise.

Unauthorised Term Time Leave

Thank you to our families for ensuring holidays are not taken during school term-time. A reminder regarding Term Time Leave is in our school's Attendance Policy, which can be found on our website:

<http://www.hatchbeauchampprimaryschool.co.uk/1222/policies>

In line with government expectations and local county guidance, unauthorised term time absence equating to 10 or more sessions will likely incur a Penalty Notice of £60 per parent/carer per child.

By ensuring your child is in school on time, every day you are helping them to achieve their best.

School Office

Lucy Cadle works Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.00am to 12.45pm so please call if you need any help or want to pass on messages to staff.

Booking School Lunches via Parentmail

All school lunches have to be booked via the ParentMail App. This should be done 10 days in advance. If you miss the deadline, please telephone the office. Thank you

Virtual School Tour now available on our website at;

<http://www.hatchbeauchampprimaryschool.co.uk/1202/about-us>

The virtual tour is a tab at the footer underneath the text referring to visits.

Safeguarding

As part of our on-going work to safeguard your children, we have started a small series of assemblies looking at this issue. This will include stranger danger, the concept of safer strangers and the NSPCC "Pants" program. If you would like to discuss any of this, please speak to Mr Harnett or Mrs Crocker. Thank you.

Station Road can be a very busy and crowded road, especially during the times when our children are arriving and leaving school. Please escort your children onto the school site, especially the younger ones. Thank you.

Oak Class

Since our last newsletter, we have sadly said goodbye to Mrs MG and Mrs Jest, both of whom will be missed and we wish them well in their new roles. The children of Oak Class, however, march on making some pleasing progress in a variety of areas. I am really pleased with the progress we are making in writing – some amazing improvements in handwriting and in the quality and quantity of work produced. For the first few weeks of this term we enjoyed a History unit, looking at the Victorians and the plight of children in those times. Unfortunately, Mr Harnett was not allowed to sell any children or send them to work down the mines or up any chimneys (he thought it was a great way to raise money for school!) so we had to make do with reading primary and secondary sources to learn what we could. Most of us agreed that children have it fairly easy today compared with Victorian children and we certainly did not fancy attending a Victorian school. Mr Harnett would like to point out that the rumour he attended one is completely unfounded, although he is not sure about Mrs Jest!

In P.E. we have been loving the combination of Taekwondo and gymnastics. You can see from the photos that we have some potential champions in our midst. Miss Ward is happy to help anyone who would like advice on joining a club and going further in this amazing sport. It is important that the children have grippy socks for out PE in the village hall. We are very grateful to Mrs Lovell for providing us with a bag of spares to ensure all are OK. If your child needs to borrow a pair, can I please ask that these are then taken home, washed and returned. That way we will always have a supply of clean socks for children to borrow. Thank you.

In art, we are exploring the concept of still life by looking at the work of Paul Cézanne. We are considering line, tone, shade and composition. We can't wait to show you our finished work!

Next term, we are really excited about our combined English and Science unit on Space – and we get to use our new journals!

Mrs Jest says, "Thank you very much for all the kind gifts and cards. It's been an absolute pleasure to serve at Hatch and I will miss you all very much."

Tim Harnett



Acorn Class

In history we have been learning about what school was like in the past, and what it is like in the present.

Having to sit on a cold wooden bench and 5 people to a small seat. Having a cold classroom with a small fire at the front of class.

Acorns were excited about looking and learning about the picture of the children and staff who attended Hatch Beauchamp 150 years ago. To which we then re-enacted the photo the same way.

We have also been looking at computers and how they have changed over the years. Over the next few weeks we will be making flipbooks, showing the story by changing the picture little by little with each page.

Acorns are thrilled about learning taekwondo in PE. We have been learning Inner block, lower block, upper Block, front Kicks, turning kicks, and we will also be doing Axe kicks. (inner Crescent & Outer Crescent)

All of these are performed safely on a kick target pad.

We have learnt some Korean words in the process, as Taekwondo originates from South Korea. We have also learnt how to correctly hold the pads & work in small groups, and to always finish with bowing to show respect & to say thank you to your opponent.

Ms Ward also spoke with the children about how TKD is a Olympic and a Paralympic sport.

Ms Ward is not only our school sport's coach, she is also a qualified TKD instructor. She has been teaching TKD for 19 years, and is graded a 5th Dan black belt, so it is being taught in the right way.

A quick reminder that PE is on a Monday and a Friday, please ensure your child has their PE kit. Please also ensure Reading books and Reading records books are in school on a Thursday to be changed over.

Thankyou,

Mrs Webb





Hello everyone. We are super excited to announce the return of FOHBS, and to share with you that we are now officially registered with the Charity Commission as a registered charity.

First of all we would like to thank each and every one of you for your support for our very first fundraiser, the 'Reindeer Run' and 'Name the Reindeer' just before the Christmas break. The children were amazing, they really got into the spirit of things with the festive music playing, and they just kept on running! The atmosphere was brilliant and we raised a total of £306.50 which is incredible, so thank you.

We are very keen to support the children, and the school, as much as we can and have offered to make a start by funding part of the cost for Oak classes upcoming swimming lessons.

We are excitedly planning our first big event, an Easter family prize bingo and egg hunt. It is being held on the afternoon of Sunday 17th March in the village hall and we hope it will be a big success. We would love to see you all there. We are holding a non-uniform day in school on Friday 1st March in exchange for a donation of an Easter egg which we will use at the event as prizes alongside the wonderful donations we have received from local businesses.

In the meantime if you have any questions, would like to help in any way or have ideas of events or activities you would love for us to be organising please do come and see us on the playground.

The FOHBS team

Dates for your diary

Last Day of Term:- Friday 9th February

February Half Term:- Monday 12th February-Friday 16th February

Inset Day:- Monday 19th February

Back to School:- Tuesday 20th February

KS2 Swimming Starts:- Thursday 22nd February
(6 weeks of lessons)

No After school Club-Thursday 29th February

Friday 1st March:- FOHBS non uniform day-for the
donation of an easter egg

Thursday 7th March:- World Book Day

Sunday 17th March:- FOHBS Easter family prize bingo &
egg hunt

Last Day of Term:- Thursday 28th March

Easter Holidays:-Friday 29th March-Sunday 14th April

Back to School:- Monday 15th April