



## HADDON DENE SCHOOL

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Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents,

Today is World Mental Health Day and we have been celebrating 'Hello Yellow', a campaign run by the Young Minds charity. How wonderful that the sun decided to pay us a visit too! The focus of today was to raise awareness of mental health issues amongst the young and to focus on the importance of wellbeing. Lockdown has had a profound impact on us all and it is only now that some of us are coming to terms with this. The campaign looks to highlight the importance of kindness and resilience which as you know form part of our school values.

Resilience is so very important when enabling children to cope through adversity. At Haddon Dene, we encourage our children to be open to making mistakes. Mistakes shouldn't be something we feel embarrassed about. Learning to fail and sometimes taking a step back is a vital component in teaching children that challenges can be overcome, if we persevere. Of course, making mistakes and facing challenges can make us all feel uncomfortable. As Carol Dweck once wrote, "No matter what your ability is, effort is what ignites that ability and turns it into accomplishment." I would thoroughly recommend her book - 'Mindset: The New Psychology of Success'. If we are to build resilience in our children, we need to encourage trial and error. Praising achievement is wonderful and it provides children with that immediate glow and feeling of satisfaction. However, what about when they hit a snag, or find something tricky? Does the inability to achieve in that moment cause feelings of hitting rock bottom? We must provide our children with the reassurance that effort and perseverance when facing difficult challenges will provide longer lasting feelings of motivation and self-worth than necessarily always getting things right first time.

Thank you to Mrs Diamond for organising our charity fundraising today. Mrs Diamond is passionate about mental health and wellbeing and we are very fortunate to have someone at school with her expertise to support our children in times of need. All our teachers are so caring and kind and will always be there to listen to children and parents should they have any worries or concerns. I am pleased to say that we raised nearly £150 for this very worthwhile cause today.

On Monday, it was World Teachers' Day. I wanted to say a big thank you to all our teachers who have worked so incredibly hard this term. They have taken on extra break and lunch duties and given up some of their planning time to ensure children have been able to return as safely as possible in family pods. Despite these extra challenges, our staff have remained as bright, happy and committed as ever to ensure our children continue to receive the excellent education they so rightly deserve. They are all resilient superheroes who wear invisible capes!

October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years. The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations. Now, Black History Month has expanded to include the history of not just African and Caribbean people but black people in general. At Haddon Dene, we have worked very hard

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to ensure our history curriculum teaches children about people from different racial backgrounds, religions and beliefs. In Year 5, the children have been learning about Martin Luther King Jr and his work to stop segregation during the civil rights movement. He once famously wrote, 'The time is always right to do what is right.' Teaching a balanced curriculum alongside the importance of British Values will ensure our children are equipped with the knowledge to make informed choices and follow the path to good citizenship.

Finally, in assembly today I read the book, 'One Hundred Steps' by Captain Sir Tom Moore. It is such an inspirational story of a truly magnificent man. Two things stood out in this story – Captain Sir Tom Moore is both kind and resilient. No wonder this incredible human being has lived such a happy, long and fulfilled life. We should all follow in his one hundred steps.

From everyone in the Haddon Dene family, we hope you have a fantastic weekend!

Kind regards,



Mrs Parpworth  
Headmistress



# Haddon Dene News



## Welcome to the Haddon Dene family

A very warm welcome to Sam in Year 2 and Edith in Little Denes who joined us this week. We look forward to watching them both flourish in the coming years.



## 'Hello Yellow' for Young Minds

We have had such a positive day reflecting on the importance of looking after one's mental health and wellbeing. The children completed a range of mindfulness activities as well as making yellow bracelets and hair braids. Wellbeing is central to our approach because happy children are the ones who often make the most progress.

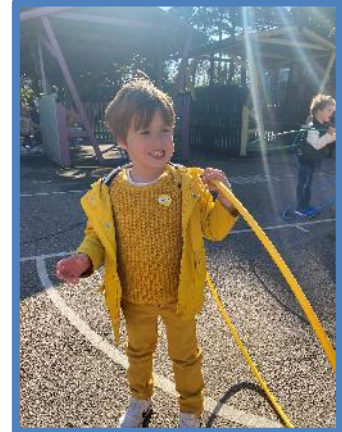


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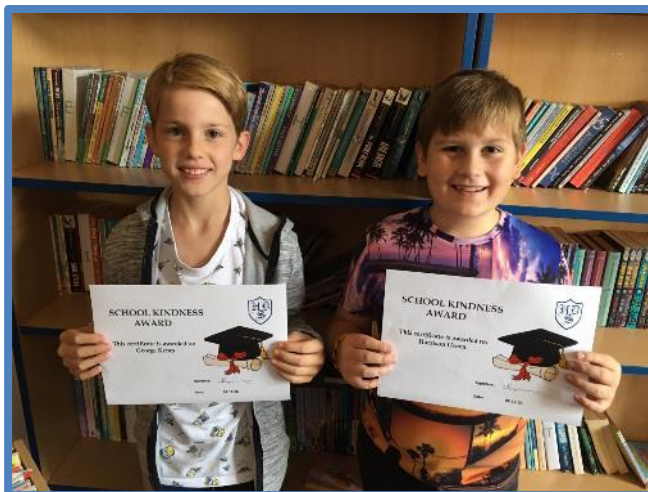
## Congratulations to our Year 5 School Council Representatives



A huge well done to Ffion and Henry who have been nominated to represent their class at the school council meetings. We are very proud of them both for being the voice of their fellow peers.

## Congratulations to our Kindness Ambassadors

Well done to our new kindness ambassadors: Brooke, Felix, Alex, Thara, Harry and George. They have been chosen because they have demonstrated kindness towards others and have helped to support other children in following the Haddon Dene way. We thank these children for being such fabulous role models to others.



## Easy fundraising

Whilst we're unable to do our usual fundraising, we have a brilliant way to raise free donations for the school.

All you have to do is sign up to support us with 'easyfundraising' and then when you do your normal online shopping, go via the easyfundraising website or app and you'll raise free donations for Haddon Dene School.

There are over 4,100 retailers to choose from including Just Eat, eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Amazon and many more.

Signing up is quick and easy:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/haddondeneschool/?invite=ifln11&referral-campaign=s2s>

By signing up using the link above, you will raise an additional £5 per person. With lots of Christmas shopping just around the corner, there has never been a better time to use this link and raise money for our school. If you need any help with this, please contact our PFA for more information.

## Child Safety



This is a very polite request that when waiting to collect your child at the rear gate, you wait flush to the wall. I was horrified today when I saw a child step into the road, very near a passing car because the pavement was blocked by parents. I understand that waiting for your child is a fantastic opportunity to chat with friends, however we must put the safety of our children first. Please keep to the wall in single file, allowing our children and those from other schools to pass safely. If this situation does not improve, then I will need to take action by staggering collection times even further, meaning some classes may need to be collected earlier for their own safety. You can help us even further by closely sticking to the drop off time and collection times and not congregating around the school grounds afterwards. I do thank you for your cooperation. I look forward to a time when this will not be necessary. Mrs Parpworth

Excellence Awards		
Week 1	Excellence in Conduct	Excellence in Learning
Reception	Frank Lillis	Christina Mitchell
Year One	Isabella Perks	Remus Kelly
Year Two		Stanley Kime & Emilia Dobbs
Year Three	Magnus Dilkes	Thomas Owen
Year Four		Rupert Russell & Olivia Dilkes
Year Five	Dillon Lawson	Henry Hodge
Year Six	Jack Perks	Vikas Vishwanathan

House Points Autumn Term 2019		
Week: 3	MANNERS	VERNON
	62	67
<b>Total:</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>301</b>

## PFA Update



Dear teachers, parents, grandparents and everyone,

During October, we don't just have our marvellous virtual Harvest festival but also Halloween to look forward to. Despite the fact that the children won't be able to have a Halloween disco, we have made sure that they will still have plenty of fun.

During the week starting Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October, we would like you to send in photographs of your pumpkin carving at home. Please send these photos to Mrs Parpworth on Dojo and the winners will be announced on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.



Also on the Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October, children can come to school in fancy dress. If you don't feel comfortable with dressing up, just wear everyday clothes. In the afternoon, a spider hunt will take place where children pod by pod will look for spiders hidden around the playground and outside grounds. The pod that collects the most spiders will win a prize.

During the last week of school before half term, the PFA will be selling cakes and sweet cones in the afternoon on the netball pitch across from the school. Cakes will be selling from 50p each.

Please also note that for any members of the Haddon Dene community who visit Lost Island Adventure Golf in Margate over half term, entry will be £5 with all proceeds going to the PFA.



Kind regards,

Adrienn Godden

## Diary Dates Autumn Term 2020

Week 5: Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	LAMDA
Week 6: Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October (3.00pm – 5.00pm)	(LD – Y5) Zoom Parents Evenings – This week
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Kent Test
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October (11.30am)	Beach Clean – Year 6 – Packed Lunch Required
Week 7: Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Pumpkin home carving competition (send photographs on Dojo to Mrs Parpworth)  PFA Cake Sale this week on netball court.
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Richborough Roman Fort – Year 4 (tbc) Pierremont Park – Year 2
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Halloween Fancy Dress & PFA spider hunt
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Wear it Pink 2020 Breast Cancer Day
<b>HALF TERM</b>	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Holiday Club – Harry Potter Theme
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Secondary School Applications (SCAF forms) to be submitted by today
Week 8: Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	UK Parliament Week
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations
Saturday November 7 <sup>th</sup>	LAMDA

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Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Week 9: Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Elocution Cup
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need – Non-Uniform
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	LAMDA
Week 10: Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception & Year 1 Trip to Pierremont Park
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	LAMDA
Week 11: Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Zoom Parents Evening
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	LAMDA
Week 12: Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Zoom Performance: Early Years Nativity
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Zoom Performance: Early Years Nativity
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Beane Institute Canterbury - Year 6
Saturday December 5 <sup>th</sup>	LAMDA Examination Day
Week 13: Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Talent Show
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
14 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> December (9.00am – 3.00pm)	Christmas Holiday Club

### **Spring Term**

Week 6: Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Wingham Wildlife Park – Year 6
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	QRBC Church - Prep Show half day dress rehearsal
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	QRBC Church – Prep Show x 2 performances
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2021	Museum of Kent Life (Stone Age) – Year 6
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2021	Bollywood Dance Day – Whole School Activity
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Howletts – Year 6
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2021 (9.00am – 3.30pm)	Fantastic Fred Experience
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	France – Covid Permitting – Year 6
Week Commencing: Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2021	Junior Show - Rehearsals
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Junior Show Performance at Theatre

**MENU – WEEK COMMENCING 12.10.20**

**MONDAY**

Turkey Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Pasta

Bread Rolls/Variou s Fillings/Salad

Double Chocolate Cookie

**TUESDAY**

Beef/Veggie Chilli Con Carne Rice

Bread Rolls/Variou s Fillings/Salad

Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

**WEDNESDAY**

Jacket Potatoes/Choice of Toppings

Bread Rolls/Variou s Fillings/Salad

Lemon Drizzle Sponge

**THURSDAY**

Cornish Pasties/Cheese and Onion Roll

New Potatoes/Peas

Bread Rolls/Variou s Fillings/Salad

Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

**FRIDAY**

Chicken/Quorn Nuggets/Wedges/Corn on the Cob

Bread Rolls/Variou s Fillings/Salad

Chocolate Ice Cream