



HADDON DENE SCHOOL

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Friday 12th January

Dear Parents,

The Year Ahead

"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing."

Walt Disney

Welcome back to school for 2018. I hope that you had a lovely Christmas break full of fun and laughter.

The New Year is a time to reflect on the past year and then make changes to our lives which will make us better people. Our school value of 'Resilience' is a focus when we are trying to persevere with our resolutions that we make. Resilience is what is needed in life if children are faced with barriers or difficulties. Nothing in life ever comes without effort and this is a key lesson that children will need to understand and learn if they are to be successful. Our job in this is to reinforce the fact that children need to work hard and will be much more satisfied in achieving something, if it has come as a result of endeavour.

The children have all been encouraged to take on a New Year Resolution which will encourage them to improve in an aspect of their lives. I hope you will ask them what it is and support them in achieving their goal through to the half term break in February. Five weeks is an incredibly long time in the lives of a primary age child and they will need all the support they can get. Here are a few of the children's resolutions.

"To take my dog for lots of walks, I enjoy it too!" Billy (Year 5)

"To help my mum with the cooking, because I want to learn how to do it" Ella (Year 5)

"To get more exercise at the weekends to get fitter" Alajandro (Year 5)

The Nursery in Action!

The children in Little Denes have taken heed from the Walt Disney quote and been 'doing' lots this week.

Little Dene's topic this term is all about toys, the children have been exploring different types of toys.

They have been learning about what materials they are made from, how they work, what the purpose is and most importantly how to have lots of fun with them.



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Breakfast Club Antics



Even the children who attend our early morning Breakfast Club are busily ensuring they are doing lots of fun things. Olivia, Billy and Vikas are creating models using our modelling kits.

Horse Riding Continues

The children in Years 3 and 4 have had the option to go horse riding over the next 6 weeks. Take a look at the faces of our children, they loved this activity.



Children learnt to groom the horses and ride them.



Betty was a natural on horseback

Multi Sports Morning

With Upton pool closed this week, it didn't stop the PE department ensuring that children were still participating in physical activities.

Children learnt a variety of skills while participating in various multi sport activities.

Children worked individually, in pairs and as teams.

As you can see in the photo, William and Alejandro mastered different ball skill techniques together.



New Faces in 2018

We wish to welcome 3 Canterbury Christchurch University students who will be with us over the next few weeks. A warm welcome to Miss O'Carroll, Miss Bunce and Miss Dale. I am sure they will thoroughly enjoy being part of the Haddon Dene family.

Mascot Experience

This Saturday some of our children are going to Margate Football club to be mascots for the first team. The Margate team are playing against Dulwich at 3pm and our children are going to take part in a penalty shoot-out on the main pitch. We look forward to finding out how they get on.

Ski Adventures

Mrs Crompton and some of our Year 6 children are very excited about the ski trip which is due to take place on the week of Saturday 3rd February. The final meeting has taken place and Mrs Crompton at the last minute, is trying to get even fitter for the 'Black runs'! We look forward to sharing all the snowy antics with you once they arrive in Montegenevre.

Eco Warriors

We are now part of the **largest educational programme on the planet** - joining 51,000 schools and 18 million students across the world, to inspire the next generation and make a significant environmental difference. We will let you know how this develops over the next few terms.

For more information please check out the following website.
<https://eco-schools.org.uk>

Healthy Eating

According to a Health body, children should be limited to 2 snacks of no more than 100 calories per day. Public Health England (PHE) has warned that on average, children consume at least three unhealthy snacks and sugary drinks a day, with around a third consuming four or more.

For more information please check out <https://news.sky.com/story/children-should-eat-just-two-100-calories-snacks-a-day-health-body-warns-11192749>

Haddon Dene promotes healthy eating and when Mrs Powell the school cook creates menus she ensures that we have balanced nutritional meals across the week. Likewise at breaktime children can bring in snacks and we expect to see healthy snacks e.g rice cakes, ceareal bars, fruit etc. The children do have the tuck shop on a Friday breaktime as a treat.

PFA Update



Dear Parents and Friends,

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a well-deserved break over Christmas. We have many exciting events planned for this year. Keep checking here to keep informed.

Thank you for your support,
The Friends of Haddon Dene

Excellence Awards

These children have been nominated for an Excellence in Conduct or Excellence in Learning Award and have received a red tie and a certificate. Well done to all these children!

	<i>Excellence in Conduct</i>	<i>Excellence in Learning</i>
Reception	Conrad Elderton-Baybars	Jemima Fisher-Bowes
Year One	Raksiga Rajakumar	Ava Harris
Year Two	Nicsikha Kirupakaran	Ava Rosengarten
Year Three	Leopold Dreyer	Safa Syed
Year Four	Ruby White	Betty Whitefoord
Year Five	Billy Goldsmith	Maxwell Speller
Year Six	Annabella Mina	Scarlett Crichton

House Points Winners

<i>Haddon Dene House Point chart</i>		
Week 10:	<i>Manners</i>	<i>Vernon</i>
	66	67
Running total:	66	67

Message from the Office

- Please visit and 'like' our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/haddondeneprepschool) for further pictures and videos.
Thank you to all those who bought a poppy, we raised £93-95
- **Please could all parents be aware of the following.**

Diversion Fraud Alert

The purpose of this alert is to provide knowledge and prevention advice to schools and parents of students in order to prevent them from falling victim to payment diversion fraud – a fraud that involves falsely creating or diverting payments.

ALERT CONTENT

Payment Diversion Fraud

Fraudsters are placing themselves in the middle of transactions between parents and private schools. The fraudster contacts the parents outlining details and payment instructions for the latest school fees. Initial contact appears to primarily be made via email and often from the school's own compromised email system. However the NFIB has also seen instances where the email address used is similar to that of the school (i.e. nn instead of an m).

The victim then makes the required payment into the bank account which is in the control of the fraudster. By the time the fraud has been identified, the funds have already been dissipated. In several instances there has been a strong social engineering element at play within the email, with the fraudster suggesting a discount on the fees can be obtained if the parents pay early.

PROTECTION / PREVENTION ADVICE

Parents

- Always verify email payment changes in respect of payment fees with the school directly using established contact details you have on file, especially for ones which are not expected or for a different amount than expected.
- Always review requests to changes for payment requests. Check for inconsistencies or grammatical errors, such as a misspelt school name or a slightly different email address.
- Don't be afraid to verify details when being asked to make fee payments into a new bank account.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend

Kind regards



Miss Alison Hatch
Headmistress

Forthcoming Dates:

4th January	Term Begins
18 th January	Fire Safety Presentations for years 1-6
19 th January	No Mini bus service
20 th January	Kent Schools Football finals – Thamesmead
22 nd January	Mr. Rosengarten – ‘Re-Start a Heart’ for years LD-6
25 th January	Little Denes trip to Broadstairs Library
31 st January	No Dance Club
1 st February	National Offer Day – Emailed to Parents (year 6)
2 nd February	National Offer Day – Parents receive letters
3 rd February	Skiing Trip – year 6 leaves at 9am from Haddon Dene School
6 th February	Year 6 visit to Sikh Temple
9 th February	Prep Show at the Sarah Thorne Theatre – 2.30 pm
9th February	Last Day of Term
10 th February	Children return from skiing trip
19th February	Term Begins

MENU

Week Commencing 15.1.18

MONDAY

Lasagne & mixed vegetables
Bread roll, salad bar
Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese
Yoghurts / fresh fruit

TUESDAY

Fish fingers, oven chips & baked beans
Bread roll, salad bar
Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese
Cherry & apple crumble & custard / fresh fruit

WEDNESDAY

Roast turkey, cabbage, carrots, roast potatoes & gravy
Bread roll, salad bar
Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese
Peaches & cream / fresh fruit

THURSDAY

Pizza, potato wedges & salad
Bread roll, salad bar
Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese
Butterscotch whip & biscuit / fresh fruit

FRIDAY

Sausages, Yorkshire puddings, peas, mashed potato & gravy
Bread roll, salad bar
Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese
Raspberry ripple ice cream / fresh fruit