



## HADDON DENE SCHOOL

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Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Dear Parents,

"I will try to create more happiness in the world around me"

*(The Action for Happiness pledge)*

Did you know that "International day of Happiness" took place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March? The focus being on the importance of relationships, kindness and helping each other. Thanks to our Year 2 children we found this out in their class assembly this week. Part of our school ethos is to ensure that we create an environment where all children and adults feel happy and safe. Every day at Haddon Dene needs to be happy! As the pledge above says let's try to create more happiness in the world and remember when we bring happiness to others, we discover more happiness too. For more information check out [www.dayofhappiness.net](http://www.dayofhappiness.net) or #InternationalDayOfHappiness

### Don't Worry, Be Happy!

Year 2 encouraged us to take part in the International Day of Happiness by performing a wonderful assembly full of facts. For example, did you know that the UK is the 19th happiest country in the world? We can all choose to be happier and as Henry Hodge told us, it is a contagious feeling. Nicsikha also advised us that being outside with nature can make us happier than being inside playing video games or watching TV. Something to think about for this weekend!



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## Eco-Warriors in Action

Reception were extremely lucky with the weather during their trip to Viking Bay. Planning, the children all wrote a list of the things they would need for their trip so they managed to remember all the important things they would need: coats, hats, litter-picking gloves and grabbers, water and most importantly hot chocolate and biscuits!

Three members of the public commented on how well-behaved our children were and they were all very impressed when the children explained that "We are collecting all the litter because we want to save the animals." One lady said that we would live in a much nicer place if everyone was as responsible as our children.

Here are some comments from the class:

*Felix: "I liked it when Olivia fell in the hole! Then she laughed and we all ran up the hill."*

*Nicholas: "I liked the hot chocolate. AND the biscuits. AND the marshmallows...the marshmallows were the best!"*

*Conrad: "I loved the beach...and running up the hill."*

*Jemima: "I liked the hot chocolate."*

*Sammy: "I liked the biscuits!"*

*Stanley: "My favourite bit was picking up the litter...and having a race with my friends."*

*Olivia: "I loved all of it."*

*Alba: "I liked everything."*

They would also like to say a very big thank you to Rob for driving them to Viking Bay and for carrying the bag for all the litter to go into!



## Choir Winter Gardens

Well done to our wonderful choir! They performed a variety of pop songs at the Winter Gardens, along with local primary schools. A huge thank you to Mr Redwood our music specialist, who has supported the choir over the last term. Well done!

## Year Six Reflect on the True Meaning of Easter

On Monday, Year 6 were invited to the Queen's Baptist Church to take part in a session called 'Easter Cracked'. The children were told the Easter story from the Bible. They learned that the word 'excruciating' came from the Romans who invented the word to describe the pain experienced whilst dying on the cross. Later, the children visited the church kitchens where they made chocolate crispy cakes. Thank you to Mr Kemp for organising this informative session for us.



## Bubble Trouble at Science Club

We are very sad to say a farewell to Miss Perry this week who has been working with Year Six. With her specialist knowledge of science, she has made a significant contribution to our science curriculum through her weekly science club.

We are excited that she will be returning to Haddon Dene after the Easter break to work with another class. In science club this week, the group made lava lamps using plastic water bottles, water, oil, food colouring and effervescent vitamin C tablets. They broke this down into stages, discussing how and why the coloured bubbles rose up through the oil. It is so pleasing to see our children developing a passion for science.



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## Franklin Battles in the Snow!

Congratulations to Franklin for representing our school at the British Schools' Modern Biathlon held at Crystal Palace. The snow didn't deter him and he battled on to retain his top 50 ranking in his age group. Thank you, Franklin, for representing our school at this prestigious event.



## 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>
<b>Reception</b>	Olivia Ross	Sammy Franklin
<b>Year One</b>	-	Mabel Dunbar-Brunton / Angus Khaing-Macpherson
<b>Year Two</b>	Nicsikha Kirupakaran	Aidan Howard
<b>Year Three</b>	Luka Ilvonen	Lottie Francis
<b>Year Four</b>	Bashir Rabti	Lewis Russell
<b>Year Five</b>	Billy Goldsmith	Lyla Gaspa
<b>Year Six</b>	Lukesh Chauhan-Hills	Daisy-Rai Atkin

We would like to remind children to please return the red ties that they wear with pride, after a week. They need to be returned in good order. Thank you.

## House Points Winners

<i>Haddon Dene House Point chart</i>		
<i>Week 9:</i>	<i>Manners</i>	<i>Vernon</i>
	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>
<i>Running total:</i>	<b>680</b>	<b>655</b>

## Horse Riding for Mums

We would like to offer our mums horse riding sessions, as so many have asked for this activity! They commence on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April. We will charge the same as the children which is £10 per session total £60.00. This includes transport to the stables and sessions for you to have fun! Please contact the school office or Mrs Crompton if you would like to secure a place.

## **PFA Update**



Dear Friends and family,

Thank you to all helpers for the Mother's Day gift wrap, we've had lovely feedback. The day was a success and the children enjoyed picking their gifts. We hope that you all had a fantastic Mother's Day. The children now have the Easter Bunny visit to look forward to on the last day of term.

After the Easter holidays the PFA will be advising about where and when to kindly bring second hand uniform in for the sale alongside more information regarding the popular book swap/ sale. Items that can be sold are blazers, duffle coats and PE kit with the school logo on. All items must be clean and in good condition - no missing buttons etc. From the sale, the PFA receives 25% of the takings, while the rest is returned to whoever is selling the item.

Looking forward to the Summer Fair, we are looking for face painters, jugglers, plate spinners, acrobats, balloon models and any such circus acts (or anyone with a pet lion!).

### Forthcoming Events:

PTA meeting: 27th April.  
Wine tasting: 15th June  
Summer Fair: 13th July  
Christmas Ball: 24th November

Thank you for your support, *The Friends of Haddon Dene*

## Message from the Office

- Please visit and 'like' our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/haddondeneprepschool](http://www.facebook.com/haddondeneprepschool)) for further pictures and videos.
- Mrs Crompton is running an intensive swim school at the Bluewave Pool Margate 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April, 9am or 9.30am. It is £35 for the week. Please contact Mrs Crompton for details.
- The Club list was sent home yesterday. Please choose the clubs of which you want your child to attend. This must be returned by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March. **PLEASE NOTE :WE DO NOT REQUIRE ANY PAYMENT. SCHOOL MONEY GOES LIVE ON THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL.**
- A reminder that the children in year's 1-6 will be walking to the Queen's Road Baptist Church this coming Monday afternoon, for an Easter Assembly. The children will be back to school for normal collection time.

Well done to all our children and staff who took part in Sport Relief today. There has been a lot of red faces, tired legs and cheering . Fingers crossed we have raised a lot of money for the cause. Watch out for the total and photos in next weeks newsletter.

We hope that our children are busily preparing their enteries for the Easter egg competitions that are running and not forgetting the Easter hat creations too!

Have a happy and wonderful weekend every one.

Kind regards



Miss Alison Hatch  
Headmistress

Forthcoming Dates:

Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Pre-prep open morning – 9.30-12 noon – ‘Spring into Easter’ Kent school swimming – Hartsdown National Primary schools – cross country
25 <sup>th</sup> March	National Biathlon – boys final – crystal palace
26 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>NO CLUBS (Football skills only instead of 16.3.18)</b> Easter Service at Baptist Church, Queens Road – Yrs. 1-6 (Children only)
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Assembly Visit to Howletts Wild Animal Park – Yr. 6
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Cat Protection workshops for whole school Easter Egg hunt. Closing date for all entries for the Pre-Prep colouring competition Closing date for Prep -School decorated eggs competition Horse riding for Reception
<b>29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Hot cross buns and drinks invite to all parents 8.50-9.45 am, Dining Hall Easter Bonnet competition-final assembly <b>Term Ends 12 noon</b>
Sat. 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Rugby Tournament venue tbc
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Inset day
<b>24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Term begins</b> Year 2 Football - Hartsdown
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Horse riding - Reception
27 <sup>th</sup> April	PFA meeting
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 – booster workshops to commence
30 <sup>th</sup> April	‘Pumpkin’ to visit
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 3&4 Rugby - Minster
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Horse riding – Reception (last one)
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 1&2 Agility – Ursuline College
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Quiz night PFA – tbc.
Sat. 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Rugby Festival – venue tbc. LAMDA
Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup> May	LAMDA Year 5&6 Netball Tournament – Hartsdown School
14 <sup>th</sup> May	‘Pumpkin to visit’
Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup> May	LAMDA
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Bikeability – year 6
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bikeability – year 6
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bikeability – year 6 Little Denes & Reception – Manor House, Forest School -10-2pm
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Bikeability – year 6

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25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Last day of term</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> payment for Hindleap to be made.
Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup> May	LAMDA
Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	LAMDA
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup> June	LAMDA
11 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Term begins</b> 'Pumpkin to visit'



# MENU

*Week Commencing 26.3.18*

## MONDAY

**Tuna pasta bake or macaroni cheese & salad**  
**Bread roll, salad bar**  
**Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese**  
**Strawberry cheesecake / fresh fruit**

## TUESDAY

**Sweet & sour chicken with vegetables, peas & rice**  
**Bread roll, salad bar**  
**Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese**  
**Jelly & cream / fresh fruit**

## WEDNESDAY

**Turkey burgers & baked beans**  
**Bread roll, salad bar**  
**Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese**  
**Chocolate fudge cake & cream / fresh fruit**

*Please speak to a member of the school catering team or class teacher if your child has an intolerance to any of the 14 allergens in food.*

*Cold meats available*

*Fresh fruit available everyday*

*Vegetarians catered for*