



## HADDON DENE SCHOOL

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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Dear Parents,

I hope that you had a wonderful Easter holiday and enjoyed your family time. I felt a huge sense of pride watching the children walk in through gates on their first day back, smiling and ready to learn. I must say, everyone is looking extremely smart in their uniform. Thank you to all parents for reinforcing the uniform guidelines. Over Easter, the staff and I spent some time simplifying the school rules and clarifying routines. Children thrive on positivity, consistency and clarity of communication and we are already seeing the benefits of this in conduct around the school.

I am extremely pleased with the progress we have made with our forest school during the break. This is set to be an invaluable learning space for our children. It will enable us to deepen their understanding of subject matter by applying concepts to the real world. Equally as important, it will provide a platform upon which we can enhance and develop their life skills. By building these skills, we can ensure that they are confident, resilient and ready for all of the opportunities life will present them. I am extremely grateful to Mr Uden and his team for the incredible work they have completed for us. Mrs Green and Mrs McBride have selflessly devoted much of their holiday to clearing areas and adding features to make it a special space for the children. I thank the PFA for supporting this project and Mrs Godden for her invaluable fundraising.

Mrs McBride, Mr Pullman and Miss Smith ran a series of very successful Easter holiday club sessions. The children had great fun and we will be running this service again in the summer. I ran three days of revision sessions for Year Six during the holiday which proved to be highly beneficial and enjoyable.

During the half term, Mrs Nicholass has been busy replenishing the Junior home reading library. We have recently spent £500 on new books for the school and my intention is to continue the investment in reading resources to further encourage a love of reading and develop comprehension skills. Any feedback regarding the new books will be gratefully received.

The forthcoming term is set to be a busy one. As always, our primary focus is on driving progress and securing core academic and wider curriculum knowledge. Towards the end of this half term, the children will complete a variety of tests which will provide data to inform the teachers' forthcoming planning. We also have many exciting activities/events to look forward to which will provide the children with enriching experiences.

It is with sadness that we say farewell to Mrs Naylor, our office secretary. She has decided that for personal reasons, the time is right to move on from Haddon Dene. We wish her all the best for her future.

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The strong relationship our school has with parents is extremely important. As your Headmistress, I want you to know that my door is always open. We value your opinions and feedback and I will use this to continually improve our school.

Best wishes



Mrs Parpworth  
Headmistress

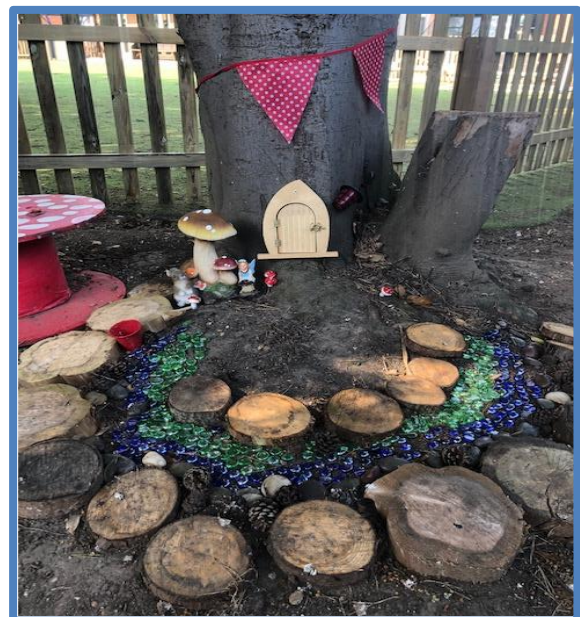


# Haddon Dene News



## A Forest School to be proud of

Our outdoor learning space has really taken shape over the Easter holidays. Each class will be given a planter box which they will take responsibility for. The aim is to educate children about food sourcing from seed to plate. Over the next term, the children will complete a variety of art and design technology projects to add features to the space. There will be a focus on using recycled materials wherever possible. We are looking for volunteers to help with planting. If you would like to be involved, please contact Mrs Parpworth.



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### Taking positive action

We were so delighted to hear that Jasmine, from Year 5, spent time collecting litter in her local community during the half term. During the session, Jasmine managed to collect over 500 pieces of plastic and rubbish. It is startling that the scale of this problem exists, however our children have strong ethics and our future is in their safe hands. Jasmine has been given the Eco-Award for this week.



### Maths challenge – King's School

Over forty schools took part in this year's King's Junior School Year 5 Mathematics Challenge. Haddon Dene was ably represented by Morgan, Chloe, Grace and Eevee, who formed two teams of two.

Competitors moved around a sequence of challenges, involving various aspects of mathematics and reasoning. One involved working with pentaminoes, which was lucky as Year 5 at Haddon Dene starts with understanding how these shapes relate to each other. Teams then had to answer a series of mental maths questions at speed, such as:

"What is half of 99?"

"What must I add to 11.01 to make 20?"

Both of our teams scored well in this section, and we are very proud of their performances overall; high scores achieved at a very high level of mathematics. Although we did not win a prize, the event was an enjoyable experience, and our thanks to King's School also for entertaining us to a nice tea afterwards!



### A team to be proud of

On Thursday, years 1 and 2 played at the Thanet Football Festival at Margate Football Club.

They played with true grit and worked well as a cohesive team. Sporting opportunities will come and go, as will the chance to win or lose. What stays with a child for life is good manners and great sportsmanship, our team of children have this in abundance. They shook hands with every team they played with and congratulated them on their successes. We are extremely proud of their conduct. Toby won 'Man of the Match' for his outstanding courtesy towards other players.



### **PFA Update**



Dear friends and family,

We hope you all had a fantastic Easter break.

We would like to add our thanks to all those who helped to clear and create our new forest school area.

Our PFA meeting will take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 9:00am. All are welcome. There will also be a Book sale being held on Friday, before and after school. All books will be 50p.

Forthcoming events:

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April - PFA meeting

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Book sale – before and after school

Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June - Father's Day gift wrap and 90<sup>th</sup> birthday picnic

Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> June - Summer Fayre

Have a fantastic weekend,  
The Friends of Haddon Dene

### *Messages from the office....*

- The children can wear their summer uniform from hereon in. This will be compulsory after the May half term. Thank you to all our parents for reinforcing the uniform expectations.

#### **Letters sent home this week:**

- Year 3 & 4 Visit to Monkton Nature Reserve
- Year 6 Bikeability Training
- Rugby Festival – Minster Primary School
- Infant Agility – Ursuline College
- Horse Riding – Year 2

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards

The Office

### **Forthcoming dates: Summer - 2019**

27 <sup>th</sup> March	'Horrible Histories' Open Morning 9:30-12 noon LAMDA Rugby – Upton Junior School
29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>CLUBS TO COMMENCE</b>
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 & 4 Rugby Festival – Minster Primary
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 Monkton Nature Reserve PM Year 2 Infant Agility – Ursuline College 9:15 – 12:30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	PFA Book Sale – before and after school
4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>LAMDA</b> Year 5 1 <sup>st</sup> revision class with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12 noon
6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 Football – Margate FC Fencing club to start – 4:45 – 5:45pm (6 weeks)
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Teddy Bear Picnic – Forest School (weather permitting)
11 <sup>th</sup> May	LAMDA Netball 7-a-side main netball tournament 9am Year 5 revision class with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12:00 noon Swimming – Regional Finals at Guildford
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage 2 SATS Week

14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 trip to Kent College Farm tbc
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 trip to France – leave 7:45am prompt – return 5:30pm approx. Year 5 & 6 Tennis Competition – Margate Tennis Club tbc
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Thanet schools swimming gala – Hartsdown LC LAMDA Year 5 revision class with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12 noon
20 <sup>th</sup> May	'Baby Gym' session with Mrs Crompton – for registered children yet to start in Little Denes
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 Orienteering
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Reception trip to Deal Castle Year 6 camping trip to Minster
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 6 to return – 3pm
24 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Last day of Term</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> May	LAMDA
8 <sup>th</sup> June	LAMDA
10 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Term begins</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Swim safe with Mrs Crompton – Margate beach Year 4 & 5 Football – Upton Junior School
12 <sup>th</sup> June	PFA Father's Day gift wrap Haddon Dene 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations – PFA picnic
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Elocution Cup
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Quick cricket Year 5 & 6 – Margate Cricket Club tbc
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Waterloo Cross Country Cup – Upton Junior School LAMDA Year 5 revision class with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12 noon
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability training starts Year 5 trip to Wildwood tbc
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability Year 3 & 4 Swim safe with Mrs Crompton – Margate beach
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability Family morning for new Reception class (September 2019)
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Bikeability Year 3 & 4 visit to Canterbury Tales <b>Parent Evening – L/D – Year 5</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Pumpkin (therapy dog) to visit school PFA Summer Fayre – 2:30pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Cross Country at Upton Junior School – Year 3 to 6 Year 5 revision with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12 noon
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	LAMDA
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Prize Giving – Dane Court School – Evening - time tbc
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Pre-Prep trip to Rare Breeds Centre - Ashford
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception 2019 – children morning
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Show – Theatre Royal – Margate 7:30pm
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Girls Football Passport – Upton Junior School – 4pm

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29 <sup>th</sup> June	LAMDA exams Year 5 revision with Mr Scott – 9:30 – 12 noon
1 <sup>st</sup> July	'Baby Gym' session with Mrs Crompton for registered children yet to start in Little Denes
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 3 & 4 trip to Stone Bay
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	London theatre trip to see 'Wicked' year 3 to 6
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day for whole school
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day – Broadstairs Cricket Ground – 10:30 – 2:00pm
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Prom Year 5 revision class with Mr Scott 9:30 – 12 noon (last one)
8 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>NO CLUBS THIS WEEK</b> Year 6 leavers lunch with Headmistress
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Invictus competitor – Darren Challis – 9:00am Assembly
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 Athletics – Royal Harbour
12 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Leavers Assembly 11am</b> <b>Term Ends – 12 Noon</b> <b>Party Bus to collect Year 6</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 1)
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 1)
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 2)
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 2)
30 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 3)
1 <sup>st</sup> August	Summer Holiday Club – 8:45 – 12:45pm (week 3)
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Staff training day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>New Term Begins</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Kent Test</b>



# Menu

*Week commencing: 29.4.19*

## **Monday**

Chicken/vegetable stir fry, egg noodles with prawn crackers

Bread rolls, choice of filling and salad bar

Chocolate mandarin cake/fresh fruit/yoghurt

## **Tuesday**

Sausages, boiled potatoes and baked beans

Bread rolls, choice of fillings and salad bar

Pineapple upside down cake/fresh fruit/yoghurt

## **Wednesday**

Roast turkey/stuffed peppers, roast potatoes, sweetcorn, roasted carrots and  
gravy

Bread rolls, choice of fillings/salad bar

Strawberries and shortbread/fresh fruit/yoghurt

## **Thursday**

Steak/vegetable pie, new potatoes and green beans

Bread rolls, choice of fillings/salad bar

Carrot cake/fresh fruit/yoghurt

## **Friday**

Cheese and Tomato pizza, oven chips and salad

Bread rolls, choice of filling and salad bar

Peaches and ice cream/fresh fruit/yoghurt

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

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