



# Hamsey Community Primary School

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Ofsted Inspection

As I am sure you are aware, the school was inspected by Ofsted on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of November. Thank you to everyone who found time to complete the online questionnaire and to speak to the inspector when he was available on either of the days. The report will be published very soon and we will distribute copies as soon as it is available.

## Forest School



All the children have been enjoying Forest School recently, either in our Forest School area or in woods owned by Kazuo's parents. Many children have also enjoyed the 'Mini-Forest School Club' led by Laura Hill. As long as the weather is not too wet and cold Laura will hold one more session on 1<sup>st</sup> December, but we will not be planning any more Forest School sessions in school hours until after the February break. Laura is, however, running an Advent Special Forest School on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at Piddinghoe Park from 10 – 12pm, so your child has the opportunity to carry on enjoying Forest School activities then! Details are on a flyer that came home in book bags.

## Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need. We had lots of super heroes at school to impress our Ofsted inspector and I know many of you donated and/or bought cakes after school. We raised over £150. Well done Hamsey!

## Christmas is coming...

December arrives next week and with it the real start of Christmas at Hamsey School. As a reminder here are some important dates of the Christmas celebrations happening at school:



- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Fayre 3.00 – 5.00pm.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December: Sussex Downs College students perform Peter Pan to whole school.
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December: School Christmas dinner.
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December: 'A Musical Christmas Journey' presented by the older children in St Peter's Church, Offham 2pm.
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December: 'Born in a Barn' performed by Foxes and Hedgehogs with a Year 3 'choir'.

More details about performances to follow soon!

In addition to this, Hamsey School Fundraisers are again organising a tree to go outside and need help to decorate it. Please encourage your child to make a decoration to hang on the tree, preferably made from natural materials. It must be weatherproof; for example if you are using salt dough makes sure it is well varnished. The tree will be going up on **Wednesday 3rd December**, so please make sure your child has brought their decoration to school by then. The HSF are arranging some small prizes for the best decorations and it would be a great help to us if your child's name was on their decoration!



### **Transporting Children in Cars**

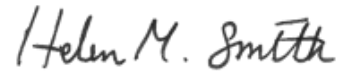
A huge thank you to all our parents and carers who offer to transport children to and from school events. Without your help it would not be possible for the children to take part in so many sporting events, or even Forest School at this time of year. However, unless parents make informal arrangements amongst themselves, the school needs to see a current driving licence, insurance certificate and MOT certificate so that we can 'authorise' you as a driver and are fully compliant with insurance regulations. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

### **INSET Day Reminder**

**The school is closed tomorrow Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November for staff training.**

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday!

With every good wish,



Helen Smith  
Headteacher