

Hamsey Community Primary School

Newsletter

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Welcome back and Happy New Year! We wish you all health and happiness for 2019.

This promises to be another exciting term at Hamsey School. We are looking forward to welcoming you into our school for our class assemblies over the following weeks. Our children always enjoy showcasing their learning with you.

Stewart James
 Executive Headteacher

Twelve Days of Christmas Reading Challenge

Thank you to everyone who took part in our radical **Reading Challenge** over the Christmas break.

It has been lovely to hear of children's enjoyment of this activity. Reading regularly is so important and it is not difficult to do!



We will be continuing with our weekly Reading Star initiative and we are looking forward to tracking each class's progress.

Class Topics for this Term



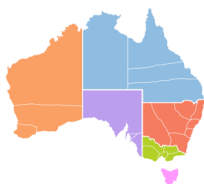
Our **Hedgehogs** will be

learning about **India**

this term. They are looking forward to finding out more about this Asian country



Foxes Class topic is **Australia**. They have already made their passports and are looking forward to going 'Down Under' albeit via the classroom!



Please Keep in Touch!

Please ensure that our School Office has your up-to-date contact details. We will need these if we ever need to contact you about your child feeling unwell during the school day. East Sussex County Council's safeguarding 'best practice' requires schools to have at least **two** contact details for each family; please make sure that we have all of the information that we need. Thank you.



HELP US TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOU! 😊



Our Key Stage Two children, **Badgers** and our **Owls**, will be studying **Ancient Egypt** which is

always a fascinating topic.



If you have any resources, books etc that you feel would be appropriate and relevant to any of our Topics—we would love to borrow them!

Attendance



Attendance remains a concern for us at Hamsey School.

We had only **29** names in our end of term draw for our Term 2 cinema vouchers. We will be continuing with this initiative this term.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS!

We are looking for **100% attendance** from **Monday 7th January until Friday 15th February**.

If your child is in school for each of those 30 days their name will go into our draw to **win cinema vouchers!**

That would be a lovely treat for the forthcoming half term break!



Dates for your Diary

January 2019

Monday 14th	Y3 & Y4 Football @ Chailey
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February

Tuesday 5th	Safer Internet Day
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Friday 15th	End of Term 3
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Monday 25th	Term 4 begins
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March

Saturday 2nd	Spring Disco (details to follow)
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Thursday 7th	World Book Day
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Friday 15th	Comic Relief
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Thursday 21st	Hamsey Big Skip
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April

Friday 5th	End of Term 4
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Tuesday 23rd	Term 5 begins
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May

1st-24th	Key Stage One SATS
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Monday 13th	KS2 SATS begin
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Friday 24th	End of Term 5
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June

Monday 3rd	Term 6 begins
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Monday 10th	Phonics Screening for YR1
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July

Tuesday 23rd	End of Term 6
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It is important that every child is on time for the start of our school day at **8.40am**.



Also, it is important that children are collected promptly at the end of each school day. We have had children still waiting to be collected up to forty minutes after the day has ended.

Of course, we try to contact parents when this occurs but, too often, we get no reply. Please let us know if, for any reason, you will be late collecting your child. We need to know, and so does your son or daughter.

Mr Munnery



We are delighted that Mr Munnery will be at Hamsey on Thursdays and Fridays for Term 3 and Term 4.

He plans to have an activity happening first thing in the morning for the children to do. You are welcome to join in too!



Coats and Shoes

The Met Office are advising that we are in for a spell of cold weather.

Please ensure that your child has a warm, waterproof coat to wear when they are outside for playtimes and lunchtimes.

Today and yesterday there have been several children outside without coats who have said that they have felt chilly. We want our children dressed appropriately for being outside.

In the event of a school closure due to adverse weather conditions, please check out our website www.hamsey.e-sussex.sch.uk— or log into the ESCC site for all school closures—<http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/schoolclosures.htm>