

Monday 14 March 2016

Bumper Issue...

Apologies for the recent absence of our fortnightly newsletter. Normal service has now been resumed starting with a bumper issue today.

Badgers Class Assembly...

The children of Badgers class would like to invite their parents, siblings and family members to their class assembly on Thursday 17 March at 9.00am.



Calendar dates...

Thursday 17 March

*Badgers Class Assembly
9.00am - 9.30am*

Friday 18 March

*Sports Relief Non-Uniform Day
Children can come to school in their own clothes, preferably sports related, for a £1 donation to Sports Relief.*

Tuesday 22 March

*Y3 Performance, 6pm - 7pm
Our year 3 children will be performing their production in the Main Hall at Hampton College. Tickets have been sent home already.*

Wednesday 23 March

*Spring Coffee Morning, 9am - 10am
Parents and younger siblings are invited to an informal coffee morning with Mrs McAlister.*

Wednesday 23 March

*End of spring term, 3.25pm
School closes for the spring term at 3.25pm.*

Tuesday 12 April

*Start of summer term
School reopens for the summer term.*

Welcome...

A warm welcome to Mrs Briggs and Miss Lemon who have joined our team as teaching assistants in year 3 and have settled in well already.

We are also delighted to announce that we have appointed two new class teachers for September 2016 and will introduce you to them in the summer term.

Head of School Awards...

Congratulations to the following children who achieved a Head of School Award in the last few weeks.

Rec - Finley, Isaac, Rose, Alfie, Julia, Max, Daniel, Sean, Jess, Jojo, Layla, Oliver, Kacey May and Anjali

Y1 - Macie, Ava, Jessica, Grace, Jensen, Izabella, Azriel, Isabelle, Samuel, Yasmin, David, Gustavs, Reece and Leon

Y2 - Ethan, Vadims, Joshua, Gabriella, Jada, Harlan, Violet, Caitlin C, Maja, Jayden, Lila, Amber and Alicia







Y3 - Jaiden, Brodie, Frankie, Jenny, Ella, Lexus, Harriet, Vanessa, Rosie, Zofia, Adam, Polly, Serena and Layla

Sickness Bug Update...

Following last week's bug it was nice to see so many children and staff back to full health today. We would like to thank parents for their understanding and support last week. The school had a deep clean over the weekend and we are confident that the bug has now left the building. Please could we remind parents of our 48 hour policy, which requires children experiencing sickness or diarrhoea to be kept away from school until 48 hours has passed following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. This is to minimise the spread of infection and we appreciate your support with this.

School Attendance Matters (SAM)...



		98.89%
		97.99%
		97.74%

Well done to the Badgers class, Moon class and Red Apples class who had the best attendance in the first fortnight of this half term.

Volunteer Helpers...

We are extremely pleased to announce that, from the start of the summer term, we will be looking to recruit interested parents and carers to volunteer within school. If you have an hour or two free, on a regular basis, and are interested in helping in school, please speak to Mrs Burdett or Mrs Clarke in the primary phase office, after Easter, to collect an information pack.

All volunteer helpers will be required to complete the relevant forms and will need to obtain two references and undertake an Enhanced DBS check. Further information will be provided in our Volunteer Helper information packs which will be available from Tuesday 12 April.

No Smoking Site...

We would like to remind parents, carers and visitors that Hampton College is a **strictly no smoking site** and that smoking in all areas of the College, including the car parks, is not permitted.



Spring Coffee Morning...

*At a loose end with an hour
or two free,*

*Then pop into school for a
nice cup of tea.*

*Cakes and biscuits will also
be served,*

*With dens for the little ones,
or so I have heard.*

*Ideas for the holidays to
make the time fly,*

*For indoors, or outdoors if
the weather is dry.*

*So come along to chat and
make some new friends,*

*So much to do if you're at
that loose end.*

Mrs McAlister and Mrs Johnson are looking forward to seeing parents and younger siblings at our Spring Coffee Morning next **Wednesday 23 March at 9.00am.**



Parents' Lunches...

We are pleased to announce that after Easter we will be launching Parents' Lunches, which will give our parents chance to come into school to eat with their child on pre-arranged dates. Further information will follow after the Easter holidays.

Parking on Clayburn Road...

Please could we ask that parents use the designated car parking spaces in the car park when dropping children off or collecting them from school, instead of parking along Clayburn Road or in the side streets off Clayburn Road.

The traffic along Clayburn Road gets very congested before and after school and by minimising parking along here it will make it safer for children crossing the road to get to school and hopefully improve the traffic flow as well.

Primary Phase School Council...

Congratulations to the children in years 1 - 3 who were successful in being appointed as our first Primary Phase School Councillors earlier this term.

The Council were recently invited to Clayburn Court for a tour of the care home and are also very excited about their forthcoming meetings.

Look out for further School Council updates in our newsletters.



Y1 Museum Trip...

Y1 spent a wonderful day at Peterborough Museum recently where their learning about dinosaurs really came to life due to the current dinosaur exhibition.

They explored dinosaur models, took part in workshops and even had chance to wander around the museum too.

By the end of the day, they were all very tired after their exciting, fun-filled and educational Day at the Museum.

School Lunches...

Following the recent letter sent home by Mrs Williams, we would like to remind parents that the ordering process for school lunches has changed slightly to enable the children to have greater choice when choosing their daily meal.

Orders should still be placed via Wisepay, and paid for in advance (Y3 parents only). Mrs Burdett and Mrs Clarke are able to answer any queries regarding Wisepay. There are internet-enabled computers open to the public available in Hampton Library next door if you do not internet access at home.

Parents' Evening...

Thank you to parents for your support following our postponement of last week's Parents' Evening on Thursday 10 March. We are currently rescheduling this evening and a letter will be sent home shortly.

Returning Forms...

Please could we ask that any remaining Medical Update forms, Home School Agreements or other outstanding paperwork is completed and returned to Mrs Clarke in the primary phase office by **Wednesday 23 March**. This will enable us to update our records in school before the summer term starts. Thank you for your support with this.

Medication in school...

Should your child require prescribed medication during the school day, please ensure that this is handed in to the school office where you will be asked to complete a Prescribed Medication Form. **Medicines should not be left in book bags and sent into class or handed to the class teacher.** If you have any queries about administering prescribed medication in school please do not hesitate to contact Mrs McAlister.

ParentMail...

If you have not yet signed up for the new ParentMail system or downloaded the ParentMail app, the Easter holidays are the perfect opportunity to click on the links and update your details. If you have any questions or queries about ParentMail please speak to Mrs Clarke.

E-Safety Evening...

Thank you to the parents who attended our E-Safety evening about keeping safe online last month. We hope you found the evening thought-provoking and informative.

For those parents who were not able to attend, further information and guidance about keeping children safe on the internet is available on our website in the "Children" section under the heading "Staying Safe Online". We will shortly be uploading information shared during the evening as well. Spare information packs from the evening are also available from the school office.



What would you like to see in our newsletter or on our website?

We would be very interested to hear from parents and carers about what you would like to see in our newsletter or on our website.

Please pass any suggestions on via the school office or by email - primary@hamptoncollege.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

Hampton College Logo and Uniform Update...

As part of our overhaul of the trust's branding we have updated the school logo. The new logo retains the HC letters and the Hampton swans.



We will be phasing in the new logo over time on things like letterheads and on new uniform items. We would like to reassure parents that there has been no change to any of the current uniform items, we will simply be phasing in the updated logo and all existing logoed items of clothing will remain valid uniform as well.

Lake Safety...

As Spring is upon us and the clocks are about to spring forward it means that lighter nights will be just around the corner. In view of that, we would like to remind our children and parents about the possible dangers near water, especially as Hampton has a number of lakes which children may be playing near during the coming months.

Green Team...

Our primary phase green team are "up and running" and have impressed Mrs Patten with their enthusiasm for recycling. Our recycling station is now operational and the Green Team are very excited about seeing which class can reduce their classroom waste and recycle more.



The SAFE code

Keep SAFE around water, learn the code:

SPOT

Spot the dangers

Check for hazards such as tides or currents
Consider what could be hidden under the water
Be careful of unsafe banks, stay well back from the edge

ADVICE

Take advice

Always read the signs
Only swim where there is a lifeguard
Wear buoyancy aids and life jackets

FRIENDS

Go with a friend

Swim with your friends and family
Friends can get help
Never swim alone

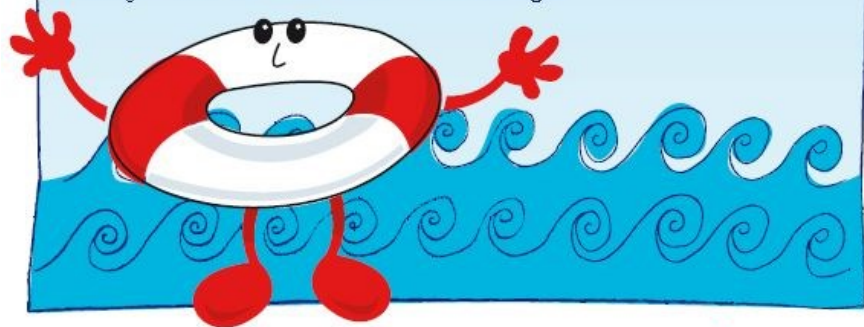
EMERGENCY

Learn what to do in an emergency

Find the nearest phone and call 999 or 112
Shout loudly to attract attention
Never enter the water to save someone

The Royal Life Saving Society UK is the drowning prevention charity.

Find out how you could help save lives by taking part in our **Drowning Prevention Week** campaign at www.drowningpreventionweek.org.uk. For more information about our lifesaving classes for children and adults, visit www.rlss.org.uk



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