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Weekly Newsletter

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Attendance w/beg: 5 March 2018
 Whole School: 96.65 %
 Class of the week: 6K with 99.62%
 Well done!!

3F: 94.44%	3L: 92.50%	3RL: 99.31%
4P: 95.52%	4PD: 98.93%	4S: 97.59%
5H: 92.96%	5LM: 94.83%	5RF: 95.86%
6B: 98.89%	6K: 99.62%	6MT: 99.31%

Letters Home This Week

Statutory Spelling Lists for all Years
 Letter to Year 4 re break times

Cookery Club

For those children in Years 3 and 5, who haven't been to Cookery Club before, there are three spaces available for the June session on a first come first served basis. The cost for the 5 sessions is £10 — payable by the end of the first session. If you are in receipt of Free School Meals, please see the school office for further details regarding payment.

Essex English and Maths Competitions

We are delighted to announce that some of our Year 6 children from Hilltop Junior School participated in the Essex English and Maths Competitions this week. The English team — Freddie (6MT), Hannah (6MT), Nicole (6B) and Tejas (6MT) were awarded 2nd place and one of the Maths teams Freddie (6MT), Hannah (6MT), Nicole (6B) and Ryan (6K) were awarded 3rd place. Jack (6K), Jessica (6K), Katie (6K) and Tejas (6MT) also did extremely well. All of the children demonstrated excellent team work, perseverance and were a real credit to the school. We are awaiting news as to whether they will be in the finals, as the competitions are still running. We will keep you posted!

Week Beginning: 12 March 2018

School Dinners
 Week 1



Upcoming Diary Dates

March

- 7 6.30 pm Parent Meeting re homework
- 8 Reading Meetings for parents at 9.30 am & 2.30 pm
- 9 HJSA Mothers' Day Sale Lower School
- 10 HJSA Mothers' Day Sale Upper School
- 9 Year 6 Maths Competition
- 12 Assessment Week (Year 6)
- 14 Year 3 to the CLC
- 15 E-Safety talk for parents at 6.30 pm: Breck Foundation
- 16 Parent Forum at 9.30 am - Reducing anxiety for Children with Nicola Durrant
- 16 Year 4 to the CLC
- 19 Assessment Week (Years 3—5)
- 27 Parent/Teacher Discussions
- 28 Parent/Teacher Discussions
- 29 End of term

Homework Meeting

This week we have been running parent consultation meetings on homework. Please complete the survey so we can gather a wide range of opinions. The link for the survey is: <https://goo.gl/forms/Z5NpPqRTWwtvGpO11>

Completion of this survey would be much appreciated.

Celebrating Autism

Abacus Primary School, Wickford are hosting an evening with Dean Beadle on Tuesday 8th May from 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm. This gentleman has toured the UK for 10 years sharing his experiences of life on the autism spectrum. Through his humorous and insightful speeches, Dean outlines his positive outlook on his diagnosis. He is an experienced journalist and honorary president of 'Autism Puzzles' - a parent led charity in Cardiff, Wales. If you would like to attend this talk, tickets cost £10 and can be obtained by calling Lyn Godfrey on 07540786247 or e-mail lyngodfrey@gmail.com.

Parent Forum

There will be a Parent Forum on the 16th March at 9.30 am for any parents who wish to attend. The subject under discussion will be reducing anxiety for children with Nicola Durrant.

Please let the school office know if you plan to attend so that they have a rough idea of numbers.

Netball Team

On Tuesday 6th March, our Year 5/6 Netball team competed in the second round of the Wickford CVC tournament. The team were excellent and we have maintained third position. Well done all.

Match Attack Cards

Could we please request that children leave these cards at home as we are finding that they are causing a lot of problems with regard to ownership and who has swapped what.

Your co-operation with regard to the above would be greatly appreciated.

Breck Foundation talk, next Thursday

Please remember there is an e-safety talk for parents at 6.30 pm next week. Please return the reply slip previously sent home and which is also on our school website if you are able to attend. We will also be providing a crèche.

Ofsted January 2018

Please find attached regarding the recent Ofsted Inspection at two of HEARTS' schools (Waterman and Stambridge Primary School) which we would like to share with parents.

Job Vacancy

Please find attached a vacancy that has become available for a Midday Assistant. Application packs are available from the school office should the vacancy be of interest.

PE Kit

Could we please request that children have their PE kits in school at all times as it has come to our attention that many children are missing their lesson because they do not have part or all of their kit with them. Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated.

Statutory Spelling Lists

Following the recent homework meeting with parents, children have been given a Statutory Spelling List to bring home which lists groups of words under each year group.

We hope parents find these lists helpful and would ask that they encourage their child to learn their year group spellings.