



This term's core value: Hope

Dear Parents and Carers

An absolutely packed newsletter for you this time with so much going on. I hope that you all received the letter about the mindfulness and wellbeing week. Don't forget that there is a meeting with an eSafety briefing on Wednesday 31st January from 6pm.

If you have any magazines that you no longer want please could you send them into school for us to use in one of our mindfulness workshops.

Retiring collection - £540.10 to Great Ormond Street Hospital

Thank you so much for your kind generosity at the end of the Christmas concerts. An enormous amount was raised for such a good cause.

Fitness Friday Reminder - tomorrow

Please meet us at the Catholic Church tomorrow at 8:40am for the next school travel plan walk to school event.

Medical Profession request

The topic after half term for Year 1 is 'Nurturing Nurses'. We are looking for any parents or carers from a medical profession - doctors, nurses, paramedics etc, who would be willing to come and talk to the children about what they do. Please let us know if you can help.

Lateness!

I have to be blunt now and say that there is far too much lateness. Lateness is disruptive for both children and staff. We need the children lined up on the playground with the rest of their class at 8.55am. We will be monitoring persistent latecomers closely.

Lining up

Talking of lining up, once your children have lined up in the morning when the bell has gone please can parents and carers stand back from the line. With lots of parents at the front of the line it is becoming difficult for us to see all the children and who is in the line and who is not. This time is also for short messages to teachers and if there are lots of parents at the front of the line there is a great lack of privacy for all. So in short, please encourage your child only to line up when the bell goes, deposit them in the line, kiss them goodbye and move back. I appreciate this may be easier said than done but please give it a go!



Diary date - Sunshine parent and carer lunch - Monday 5th March

We will be holding our next parent and carer lunch on Monday 5th March, this time for Sunshine Classes on Monday 5th March. We will provide more information nearer the time.

Tights!

We need tights again ladies and gentlemen (children's ones obviously). The staff and I have enough so if you have any spare children's tights please send them in.

Missing bike lights

Very sadly, some bike lights were missing from a child's bike left in the bike shelter on Friday. If you know anything about this or any bike lights have appeared mysteriously at home please let me know.

Sunshine cake sale

The sunshine cake sale made the fabulous grand total of £80 towards PTA funds. Thank you to absolutely everyone involved.

A message from the PTA

Haddenham St Mary's Spring Fayre is fast approaching - Saturday 17th March. There will be many fun and exciting stalls to keep you and your children entertained for the afternoon. If you would like to have your own commercial stall where you can advertise and sell your product please email the PTA on hsmpta1@gmail.com. Equally, if you have any hidden talents like balloon making or giant bubble scalping etc and are willing to volunteer your expertise now is the time to contact us (as above). We will be asking for volunteers to help us run the Fayre a little closer to the date. Many thanks, The Spring Fayre Committee.

Treble clefs tour continues....

The Treble Clefs have been invited to sing at the Haddenham Youth Music Festival on Saturday 24th February. We have sung at this concert in the past and the children have enjoyed performing and listening to other musical youngsters from the village. The Treble Clefs will sing two new songs that Mrs Law has practised with them. If your child is in the Treble Clefs please keep Saturday 24th February free. The concert will be held in St Mary's Church, starting at 2:30pm. More details to be confirmed soon.

Generation game update

We are off to Abbeyfields again this week to see our new friends that we have made. One of the residents, Manfred was about to celebrate his 90th birthday the last time we were there so we all sung to him. The children read to their new friends John, Betty, Ivy and Berol. We all had a really lovely time and everyone did us proud.

I hope you can digest all of this and remember everything you've got to remember in all our busy lives.

Best wishes



Mrs Karen Collett, Headteacher

Haddenham St Mary's Church of England School Calendar

Buckinghamshire Term Dates 2017 - 2018		
Spring Term 1 2018	Thursday 4 January 2018	Friday 9 February 2018
Spring Term 2 2018	Monday 19 February 2018	Thursday 29 March 2018
Summer Term 1 2018	Monday 16 April 2018	Friday 25 May 2018
Summer Term 2 2018	Monday 4 June 2018	Friday 20 July 2018

Haddenham St Mary's INSET Days 2017 - 2018		
Monday 23 July 2018	Tuesday 24 July 2018	

Buckinghamshire Term Dates 2018 - 2019		
Autumn Term 1 2018	Thursday 6 September	Friday 19 October
Autumn Term 2 2018	Monday 29 October	Wednesday 19 December
Spring Term 1 2019	Monday 7 January	Friday 15 February
Spring Term 2 2019	Monday 25 February	Friday 5 April
Summer Term 1 2019	Wednesday 24 April	Friday 24 May
Summer Term 2 2019	Monday 3 June	Wednesday 24 July

Haddenham St Mary's INSET Days 2018 - 2019		
Wednesday 5 September	Wednesday 2 January	Thursday 3 January
Friday 4 January	Tuesday 23 April	

Calendar of Events: Spring 2017	
Thursday 25 th January	Year 2 children to Abbeyfield Residential Home
Friday 26 th January	8:40am Fitness Friday walk to school
Wednesday 31 st January	6:00 - 7:30pm eSafety training and introduction to mindfulness & wellbeing week
Monday 5 th February	9:15am Collective Worship in Church - all welcome
Tuesday 6 th February	3:15 - 4:00pm Wellbeing People resilience workshop 7:00pm Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 7 th February	3:15 - 4:00pm Healthy eating and cooking for children workshop with Oli Blanc
Thursday 8 th February	9:15am Hurrah for coffee - all welcome
Friday 9 th February	2:00pm Mindfulness & wellbeing taster sessions - all welcome
Saturday 24 th February	2:30pm Treble Clefs singing at Haddenham Youth Music Festival
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Saturday 3 rd March	PTA Quiz Night - Haddenham Youth Centre
Monday 5 th March	9:15am Collective Worship in Church - all welcome Rainbow Classes trip to Green Dragon Eco Farm Sunshine Parents and Carers Lunch
Wednesday 7 th March	3:30pm - 7:00pm Parents' Evening
Thursday 8 th March	3:30pm - 7:00pm Parents' Evening
Friday 9 th March	2:00pm Mother's Day Service in Church - all welcome
Saturday 17 th March	PTA Spring Fayre
Friday 23 rd March	PTA Children's Disco