



This term's core value: Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers

Mrs Richardson and I write to you from Brighton at the annual conference for school leaders. Be prepared, we're getting lots of new ideas!

National Science Week

Thank you to Mrs Mehta and Miss Bell, our science coordinators, who have been busy organising lots of exciting science activities for the children this week. The children really enjoyed the visit from Chris Roberts, an engineer from Jaguar Landrover too.

An update from the PTA quiz night

We are so pleased that, despite the snow's best efforts, we were able to go ahead with the quiz night! It was a brilliant evening and we are thrilled to announce that we raised an amazing £2,438! A fantastic amount that will be of great benefit to the school. Thank you to everyone who supported this event - we are looking forward to next year's!

Spring Fayre Saturday 17th March

We hope to see you at the Spring Fayre on Saturday from 1:00pm until 4:00pm. A huge thank you to everyone involved in the organisation.

Sport Relief Week

Please make sure your child's PE kit is in school every day next week as they will be taking part in different sporting activities each day. We are asking for a suggested donation of £1.00 towards Sport Relief - please send this into school on Friday 23rd March.

Easter Bonnet walk to school

Our School Travel Plan team is planning an Easter walk to school on Thursday 29th March. Please join us if you can in Easter bonnets, we will set off from the Catholic Church at 8:40am. Refreshments will be available in the school hall once the children have gone into school.

Easter Service in Church

Please join us if you can for our Easter Service in Church on the last day of term, Thursday 29th March, at 2:00pm.



Summer Term After School Clubs

We will be sending out information and booking forms for next term's after school clubs next week. A few people have already asked what clubs we will be offering next term so in advance of next week's email here they are:

Monday: Sports Factor Cricket Club
Tuesday: Tennis Club
Wednesday: Jazzercise
Thursday: Sports Factor Multi-sport Club and Craft Club
Friday: Tumblejam

Happy Hedgehogs

Bookings for Happy Hedgehogs before and after school club are now open for after Easter, be quick to secure your place for next term. We offer fun arts and craft activities to keep children entertained or free play with our selection of new indoor and outdoor toys. Come and be part of the Happy Hedgehogs family!

Breakfast sessions: 8:00am to 8:55am to include breakfast.
After school sessions to suit you: 3:00pm to 4:30pm or 3:00pm to 6:00pm including snacks. Tea is provided for children staying until 6:00pm.

For more information or to book your space please email Tracy Brown at:

happyhedgehogs@haddenham-st-marys.bucks.sch.uk

or pick up a booking form from the school office.

Haddenham Beavers

An appeal from Richard Kendall, Chair of Scouting and Guiding in Haddenham:

Would you like to do something different? Would you like to have fun running the Beaver Colony for 6-8 year olds? Beavers are the youngest members of the scouting movement. They enjoy various activities indoors and out and about. The Beaver Colony was active until 18 months ago, but unfortunately then had to close. Can you spare some time to help get the Colony up and running again? There are youngsters on the waiting list ready for you! You could run the colony on your own, with help from parents. However, if two people joined forces to run the colony together as leaders, it would be easier and even more fun. Leaders will require a few Scout Association training courses and time to plan interesting activities and to run weekly meetings in term time. Come and give it a try! Not only do beavers enjoy themselves, but it is also fun being a leader. Scouting leaders in the village would be willing and able to help with advice and ideas. We want to get the colony restarted, and youngsters to be able to enjoy beaver activities before progressing to the cub pack and scout troop. The Beaver Colony used to meet 5-6 pm on Tuesdays at the Scout & Guide Centre, but days and times are flexible.

If you would like to have a chat, please contact:

Julie Fell on 07971 193476 or at julie.fell5432@btinternet.com or

Richard Kendall on 01844 290788 or at rkendall@btinternet.com.

An offer from Buckinghamshire Railway Centre

Buckinghamshire Railway Centre: New Annual Local Pass only £32! We are now offering our local pass to families who live within 8 miles of us as the crow flies, which includes the village your school in! It is just £32 for a family of 6 (2 adults + 4 children) for the whole year. Enjoy free entry on any day so long as we

are open; come for an hour or spend the whole day! The pass doesn't include our Thomas events, but it does include every other day that we are open - including special events. Please visit: www.bucksrailcentre.org, call 01297 655729 or email: marketing@bucksrailcentre.org for more information (including to check if you are within the 8 mile radius) and an application form.

Young Photographer Competition

Haddenham Rotary Club is running a young photographer competition again this year on the subject of 'Contrasts'. For more information please see the community notice board in the playground. Entry forms are available from the school office.

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 2018	
Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th March	STP Scavenger Hunt week
Saturday 17 th March	1:00pm - 4:00pm PTA Spring Fayre
Monday 19 th - Friday 23 rd March	Sport Relief Week
Wednesday 21 st March	1:30 - 3:15pm HASSP Reception Multi Sport Event at HCIS
Thursday 22 nd March	7:30pm PTA Meeting
Friday 23 rd March	5:00 - 6:00pm PTA Children's Disco
Thursday 29 th March	8:40am Easter Bonnet Walk to School with refreshments 2:00pm Easter Service in Church - all welcome Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 16 th April	Return to School for Summer Term
Friday 20 th April	PTA Cinema Night
Friday 27 th April	Extravaganza - 150 Years Celebration and Opening of New classrooms
Thursday 3 rd May	Sunshine Classes trip to Warwick Castle
Thursday 17 th May	Rainbow Vision Screening with School Nurses
Monday 18 th June	Class Photographs with Veronica Stewart
Tuesday 19 th June	Class Photographs with Veronica Stewart (reserve day)
Tuesday 3 rd July	County Move Up Day
Wednesday 4 th July	1:30pm Sports Day
Wednesday 11 th July	1:30pm Reserve Sports Day
Friday 13 th July	PTA Cinema Night