

# Helmingham Community

## Primary School

Headteacher – Mrs Bernie Cleland Newsletter 4 – Nov 2015

Dear Parents & Carers

I would like to welcome Mrs Hinchcliffe to the Governing Body and Mrs Deeley as midday supervisor, replacing Mrs Osborne.

Congratulations to Ellie George and Simon West who won a competition at African Adventure, Sizewell. They created designs to be painted on the inside of the African huts and these will be ready for the school's visits later this year. We look forward to seeing them in June.

**Safer Internet Day** is on 10th February. All classes will be working on how we can keep safe and be more responsible when using online technology. Parents are invited in to see what we have been doing from 2.50pm.

**Parent Drop In** is on Friday 6 February ( 9—9.45am) and Tuesday 10 March ( 2.45pm). You are invited to see me and let me know what is working well and what we can improve. Alternatively you can email me at [admin@helmingham.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@helmingham.suffolk.sch.uk)

The next whole school parent reading sessions are on Friday 6 February and Friday 6 March and it will be lovely to see you. Stars class reading sessions are every Friday and Tuesday.

The school nurse will be available on Wednesday 28 January at 3pm. You don't need to book an appointment - just turn up and ask any question.

We have some fun activities lined up for the children this term, including street dance, a show, a steel band workshop and various sports events.

Mrs Cleland

Please note that we have a new mobile number for school:

07817 298004



### Colder Weather

Now that the weather has turned colder, can you please make sure your child brings a suitable coat for playtime.

In the event of severe weather, please refer to the school's website as the first point of information.

### School Improvement

We now have planning permission for the canopy and are obtaining further quotes to ensure the best price.

Plans are underway for the redecoration of Sun Class and the staffroom, hopefully over the Easter holidays.

We are also looking at the possibility of a covered sandpit near the playground.



## Dates for your diary.....

### Spring Term 2015

#### **January**

Tues 27	Street Dance Day
Wed 28	Drop In session School Nurse
Thur 29	Moon Class Celebration Assembly am Governors Meeting 4.30pm
Fri 30	Steel Band Workshop (am)

#### **February**

Fri 6	Headteacher Drop In session 9 - 9.45am Parent reading session whole school
Tues 10	Safer Internet Day
Thur 12	Sun Class Celebration Assembly
Mon 16– Fri 20	Half Term
Mon 23	PD Day No children in school
Wed 25	Tag rugby tournament (pm)
Thur 26	Spacejump Show (pm)

#### **March**

Tues 3	Parents Evening 3.30 –5.30pm
Wed 4	Parents Evening 5-7pm
Thur 5	Stars Class Celebration Assembly
Fri 6	Parent reading session whole school
Tues 10	Headteacher Drop In session 2.45pm
Wed 11	Quicksticks Hockey tournament (pm)
Thur 12	DHS Liaison Day
Wed 18	Swimming Gala
Thur 19	Governors Meeting 4.30pm
Fri 27	End of Term

#### **April**

Mon 13	Children return for Summer Term
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### School Milk

After a slow start quite a few children took advantage of the free milk we provided for the first 2 weeks of term, averaging around 25 drinks per day.

The scheme will take effect from this Monday and if you have registered or if your child benefits from pupil premium funding and they have requested milk, they will continue to receive it.

If you haven't registered yet, but would like to, then go to [coolmilk.com](http://coolmilk.com). You need to complete the form by Tuesday 5pm for your child to receive milk the following week. You can decide on a weekly basis and you pay them direct ,online. Please note that we do not accept any payment in school.

### 4 Rs Awards

Ronny, Ellie S, Alice S, Nell, Madison, Woody, William F, Oliver, Lyle, Hazel and Isabella

### Bronze House Points Certificate

#### Stars Class

Alex, Joseph, Sophie, Freddie, Jared, Lyra, Leo, Beatrice, Isabella, Rowan and Lyle

#### Moon Class

Ellie, Joe, Hannah, Rhys

#### Sun Class

Jessica, Joshua B, Fern, Joshua H, Kathryn, William R, Flossie, Gruff, Bea, Scarlet,, Sam, Lilianna, Woody, Ellie, Maddy

### Silver House Points Certificate

#### Moon Class

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#### Sun Class

Gruff, Bea and Scarlet

Well done everyone!

### Free School Meals

Don't forget that all children in Years R, 1 and 2 are now entitled to Free School Meals, regardless of your financial situation. You do not need to do anything to register. They just need to order their lunch as normal.

If you qualify for Free School Meals (under the previous requirements) then you are entitled to a free bundle of uniform, no matter which year your child is in. Please call into the office for further details.

If you have any questions or concerns please speak to a member of staff and with home and school working together we can ensure that your child achieves their full potential.

Your ideas are always welcome. Just speak to member of staff, drop us a note or email.