

# Helmingham Community Primary School

Headteacher – Mrs Bernie Cleland

Newsletter 6 – May 2013

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed your Bank Holiday weekend and are ready for the rest of the summer term. As usual it will be a busy one, so please keep checking book bags for any letters coming home. The Easter break was a very busy time for many of the staff doing furniture removals ready for the new carpet & library shelving. I'm sure you'll agree that the school looks much better. Although the new build is now on hold, we are proceeding with plans to provide a better learning environment in the Early Years play areas. You may see some changes over the next few months but most of it will take place over the summer holidays. These include 2 large wooden tepees, a concrete bike track, a climbing area with ropes and steps, new murals with blackboards and more storage. Watch this space!

And finally could you please go to 'parent view' on the school's website to complete the Ofsted questionnaire - there is a link provided.

Mrs Cleland

## Well Done!

Very well done to our Cross Country team, in particular Asher, Emre and Tom who are through to the final.

Our 'Design a sheep' entrant looked wonderful - well done to all those in Art Club who contributed. Unfortunately we didn't get through to the last round, but he (or she?) will be on display at the Suffolk Show with all the others.

We have received a lovely email from Sister Luke following Moon Class's visit to Dunwich, saying how friendly, inquisitive & well behaved the children were.

## Sizewell

On Monday all of the Year 6 went to Sizewell for a week. We got to school at half past eight. I was really excited.

First we went exploring in the woods, and then we had our lunch. On Thursday we had a massive water fight. Everyone got very wet.

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## Friends of Helmingham School

Full details of upcoming events will be provided shortly, but in the meantime, some dates for your diary.

The ever popular "**FILM CLUB**" - next showing will be on the 22/05/2013. Yummy tea and sweets included!

Roll up, roll up, for all the fun of the "**SUMMER FETE**" - taking place during the afternoon of the School sports day on the 26/06/2013

and introducing "**THE KINDERGARDEN**" This is our exciting new project; a fresh produce stall.

Please look out for our flyers, providing full details of all these events and more!

Thank you so much for your continued support, your help is essential in enabling us to continue to raise funds for the benefit of all our children at Helmingham School.

If you would like to join us or just contact us, you are most welcome to, contact any committee member in the first instance. We are...  
Chair - Mandy Fayers/Kirsty Scoresby  
Vice - Clare Barstow/Chris Harvey  
Secretary - Lorna Tournay- Godfrey

## Reminders

- Pupils can bring in a bottle of water
- Sun hats are available from the school office
- Please apply sun cream before school - we can't do it for you.
- Children should wear shoes not sandals in school (Health & Safety)
- Pupils should not play on the play equipment at the top of the field after school
- Everyone should leave the school premises by 3.30pm

Thank you

## Congratulations and certificates for:

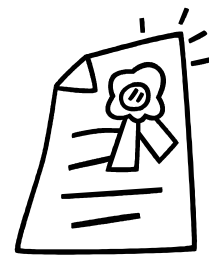
Behaviour stars to Ellie G, Cameron, Asher & Holly W

Bronze certificates to Lucy, Emre, Tom, Cameron & Niamh

Silver certificates to Alfie I, Gruff, Polly, Charlie, Lilianna, Alice, Hannah, Jessica & Henry

Gold certificates to Caitlin, Scarlet & Holly M

4Rs certificates to Freddy and all of Moon Class



## Dates for your diary.....

### Summer term 2013

Week starting 13/05/13

SATs week (All KS2 children doing assessments)

Sun 19 May

Crows Hall Country Dancing

Tues 21 May

Lost property in Hall

Wed 22 May

Whole Class Photos

Thur 23 May

Moon Class Celebration Assembly

After school Sale

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> - Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May

Half term

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Girls Football tournament

Mon 17 June

Kwik Cricket Tournament

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> June

Crucial Crew Y6

Thur 20 June

Sun Class Celebration Assembly

Wed 26 June

Sports Day 1.30pm start

DHS evening concert - details to come

Thur 27 June

Rounders tournament

Tues 2 July

Year 5 Science Morning DHS

Stringfever concert (Y6, Y4, Y3, Y2)

Thur 4 July

Stars Class Celebration Assembly

Week beg 9 July

Reports out this week

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July

DHS Induction Day Y6

Wed 17 July

Mrs Tomlin's Retirement Celebration

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July

End of term (children)

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> - Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> July

PD Days (staff in school)

### Autumn Term 2013

Sept

Tues & Wed 3 & 4

PD Days

Thur 5

Children back in school

### Free School Meals

Please look at

[www.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk)

and search free school meals.

You will see that 'there are around 5,000 young people in Suffolk that are eligible for a free school meal but not currently claiming one. If they all claimed the meal they are entitled to, Suffolk Schools would be £5 million better off.'

Schools receive around £900 per child additional funding and parents save around £400 / year.

Are you missing out?

### **SALE**

Thursday 23 May 3.00 - 3.30pm  
Playground or Hall (weather)  
Bits & bobs from clearout, including  
book shelf, library shelves, table,  
wooden block storage units, some  
books.....

Everything must go!

**Car Park!** Please could everyone be cautious when using the carpark, especially when it is busy. Recently it has been extremely congested.



### Reading Books

These will now be kept in the corridor (where the packed lunches were) and the packed lunches are now in the hall.

If you need to see anyone in the office, can you please walk via the corridor & the outside door.

This is to keep the disruption caused to Class 3 to an absolute minimum.

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 or drop us a note.

### Term Dates 2013-2014

#### **Autumn**

3 & 4 Sept PD Days  
5 September Children back  
25 Oct PD Day  
28 Oct - 1 Nov Half Term  
20 Dec End of Term

#### **Spring**

6 Jan PD Day  
7 Jan Children back  
17 - 21 Feb Half Term  
4 Apr End of Term

#### **Summer**

22 Apr PD Day  
23 Apr Children back  
26-30 Apr Half Term  
23 July End of Term