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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

I am hoping you will have already heard what a great day KS2 had with Thomas Taylor on Tuesday, inspiring children and adults alike and getting everyone in the mood for World Book Day next week. On the theme of inspiring readers, we have been busy ordering some beautiful books across a range of genres and challenge to add to the library, increasing the breadth of reading material available to children when they have moved beyond the reading scheme.

Frustratingly we have had a couple of disappointments this week, resulting in the postponement of the YR/Y1 dinosaur workshop and the playground line painting (again) but both have been rescheduled and unfortunately factors such as breakdowns and the weather are beyond our control!

It is lovely to have built up a regular team of volunteer readers across the week. We are very grateful to everyone who gives their time to help with clubs, trips and curriculum activities including reading, Forest School and Year 3 swimming. We simply cannot run these activities without additional adults and really appreciate your support.

The pressure is on for the PTA Quiz Night this evening, with some of the (more competitive) staff hoping to repeat their success from last year (unlikely) whilst others are just looking forward to the fish and chips! We hope to see you there.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bligh

HOUSE POINTS

Congratulations to Kestrel!

Kestrel 200

Eagle 192

Falcon 187



Star of the week

Acorn: Charlie

Magnolia: Jacob

Elderberry: Toby W

Elm: Lexi

Willow: Maisie T

Chestnut: Gabriel

Oak: Jessica

Christian Value of the Week: Humility

'Jesus called his followers to him. He said, "I tell you the truth. This poor widow gave only two small coins. But she really gave more than all those rich people.'

Mark 12: 43



Golden Book Award

Magnolia: Willow, Eagle Boy, Kestrel Girl, Falcon Girl

Oak: Eagle Boy, Evie, Olivia, Poppy Jessica



Birthday Announcements:
Taylor

Attendance Cup

Well done

Oak Class!

100% attendance



Last week's whole school attendance:

94.5%



Please ensure that you have read the changes to the Wraparound Care and extra-curricular clubs email detailing changes to the pricing structure.



NB A ParentMail will be sent when you are able to book for Term 5



The Week in Photos—Early Years & Key Stage 1

ACORN

This week, a mystery box appeared with dinosaur eggs, a book, and a letter instructing us on how to hatch and care for them! We had a great time discovering which dinosaurs were inside the eggs and how it all links into our new book, Gigantosaurus.

We drew what we thought 'Giganto' would look like too and used our phonic knowledge to label parts of him.

There was also a lot of dinosaur measuring, comparing their heights and lengths. We used cubes to measure a massive dino footprint and figured out how many of our shoes fit into its shape!



MAGNOLIA

Magnolia class have had a fantastic first week to Term 4! The children took part in a scavenger hunt around the classroom and outside area to find clues for our next class book!

Once we collected all the clues, we shared ideas thinking of what our book might be about. The final clue was a puzzle which revealed a mammoth!

The children came up with some amazing sentences to explain what they noticed about each clue and even wrote questions that they would ask to find out more about our new main character.



ELDERBERRY

There was a lot of excitement in the room as the children investigated clues to reveal the theme of our new book for this term.

In maths the children have been adding coins and notes using counting patterns and jottings to help them. The children have made impressive close-up pen and ink images of tigers as they have continued to work on the Rousseau project.



The Week in Photos—Key Stage 2

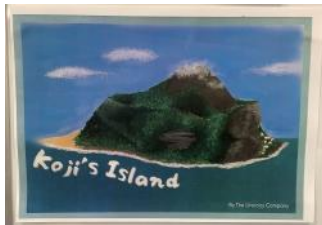
ELM

Filled with excitement, Elm class entered the classroom to the soothing sounds of waves lapping and birds chirping.

A buzz of conversation quickly arose as they eagerly speculated about their new writing book for the term.

Many guessed it would be an island adventure.

Their next challenge was to sort vocabulary words into suitable groups, learning new words and their meanings along the way. To end the day, they tackled the final task: predicting what *Koji's Island* might be about, using some of the newly acquired vocabulary.



WILLOW

The children had a fantastic time during their visit from author Thomas Taylor. They were captivated by his stories about where he finds inspiration for his writing.

Everyone loved hearing about his beachcombing adventures and the interesting items he's discovered, like sea glass, dinosaur poo, and fossils. The highlight was seeing a rare type of sea glass containing uranium, which glowed brightly under UV light, much to the children's excitement! Back in the classroom, the children had fun creating their own characters from scribbles and writing stories about them.

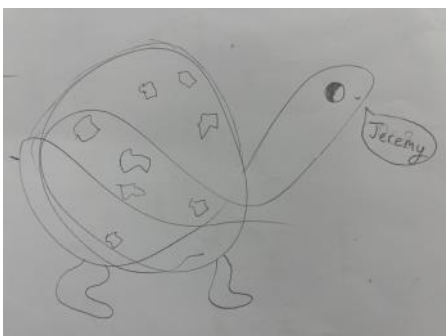


CHESTNUT & OAK

It has been a wonderful week back at school and Oak and Chestnut class have made a good start in their new English unit, based on 'The Darkest Dark' by Chris Hadfield. The children have written creatively, working hard to maintain the high standards they achieved last term.

They particularly enjoyed the visit from the Author, Thomas Taylor, and loved listening to the things that inspire him to write while handling some beach objects which appear in his stories in unusual places. They loved creating their own characters from a messy squiggle and developing stories to take them on adventures.

PE was also exciting this week, with great competition enjoyed by all, whilst learning to play handball!





Forest School

With a bit of winter sun, today was an ideal day to investigate shadows with Acorn class. We learnt how shadows are formed and how we can use them to create art and different shapes.

Meanwhile, Elderberry class reacquainted themselves with Forest School, tested their nature knowledge and investigated all that creeps and crawls in the woodland. We also participated in a spot of 'worm charming'!



World Book Day Themed Lunch

Mr Boggis's Chicken Banquet
Home made chicken nuggets with
waffle fries and corn
Vegan Nuggets (vg option)

Mr Bunce's Liver Donuts
It's not really liver. Home-made donuts with a
chocolate filling

Mr Bean's Toffee Apple Soda
With ice cream float

All Stolen from Their Farms!

**Don't forget to book your child
a special World Book Day
lunch for Thursday on
ParentMail!**

EMMA'S KITCHEN

Term 4's menu is on the school website:
<https://www.hever.kent.sch.uk/school-meals/>

Please send any feedback to the school office.
Emma's Kitchen



**** Reminders ****

Please ensure that any last minute
collection arrangements are phoned
through to the school office.

School Office

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weekend	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	3rd March:	4th March: Bore Place Trip — Year 5	5th March: Wakehurst Trip— Year 1 & Year 2	6th March: WORLD BOOK DAY	7th March:



Tuesday 11th March: Year R & Year 1 Dinosaur & Fossil Workshop



PTA Update

Good luck to everyone at the quiz tonight - will the teachers reign again?

Don't forget to buy your 'Hever Bar' in advance as we have a limited quantity! As well as the 100g chocolate bar you have the chance of winning one of our golden ticket prizes including: Godstone Farm tickets, Urban Jump tickets, Giant Easter Eggs, Mini Golf tickets, Fishers Farm tickets, one term of gardening club and the best one EXTRA PLAYTIME FOR THE WHOLE CLASS! Don't miss out by buying yours here: www.pta-events.co.uk/heverprimaryschool

MASSIVE THANKS to Chris Scott @ Domino Recording Company for an amazing raffle prize for the ball of the Complete Arctic Monkeys back catalogue on vinyl! We need more - what can you offer, is there someone you can ask? We need as many as possible! We also still have some sponsorship available so please get in touch!

We are excited to be supporting the school as well as Dean and Alex with a **Sponsored Run on Friday 21 March** in the build up to their marathon raising money for our lovely school. More information and your sponsor form will be coming out after book week.

Upcoming Dates: Every Friday is Fun!

Friday 7 March - Hever Bar Golden Ticket Sale - Will you find a Golden Ticket? - £2.50

Buy your Hever Bar in advance and collect on Friday 7 March. Will yours have a golden ticket in? Will you win one of our fabulous prizes? If you don't, you get a massive chocolate bar so everyone's a winner! Don't miss out by buying yours now www.pta-events.co.uk/heverprimaryschool

Friday 14 March - WWYLD – Bring an Easter Egg – Friday 14 March - for our Easter Egg Raffle at the Easter Fair. (Please note to make this fair this year, this will only be open to pupils at the school)

Friday 21 March - Sponsored Run - more details coming soon

Friday 28 March - Easter Fair – we are looking for volunteers for 30min to 1hour slots – please email to get involved! heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk

SECOND HAND UNIFORM –

Donations – please leave with Mrs Reddaway in the office.
If you are looking for something – please email Emma: eskorczewski@icloud.com

Have a great weekend!

The PTA Trustees xxx
heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk



Fundraising Update 2024-2025

Fundraising Total: £14,952

PROJECTS

Playground: COMPLETE!

**Outdoor/Wellbeing
Classroom: £12,712**



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How you can support us for free

- Download the easyfundraising app
- Sign up as our supporter
- Once registered, we'll get a £2 donation!



Will You Find a Hever Bar Golden Ticket? On Sale Friday 7 March

Bars cost £2.50
Pre-order now (for collection 7 March)
at ptaevents.co.uk/heverprimaryschool



Spring into Action!

Hever Parents and Carers Walking Group. Every morning after drop off, we meet by the PTA store/shed and set off at 8.40/ when the gate closes.

We do circuits of the Parish Field and you can do as many or as few you as you like. It can be very muddy so suitable footwear a must!

Friendly dogs welcome!