



Hello from Mrs Hunter

Our Year 6 children have surpassed themselves this week. They have smiled through SATs weeks, with plenty of giggles along the way. I am going to miss doing Year 6 cheerleading on the gate each morning! They took each paper in their stride, modelling positivity and grit. We will all have different views about the SATs but each year I am overwhelmed by the individual triumphs and achievements, whether it is just getting into school that morning, facing a fear or tackling a problem they never thought was possible. I am so, so proud of them. I would also like to thank the whole staff team who have all helped our children in one way or other over the past four years as well as the past week, the governors who came in to help us and all that you have done at home as parents. It has definitely been a school family effort.

I would like to update you with ongoing staffing changes for September. We have been congratulating Mrs Blissett who has shared her exciting news that she is expecting a baby; she will be with us until November. Mrs Hartley will move from heading Year 5 to being the Head of Year 6 from September. Congratulations to Miss Beer who will join the SLT while Mrs Blissett is away, taking on the role of Head of Year 5. Mrs Spence and Mrs Pollock will remain as heads of Year 4 and 3 respectively. This would still leave a teaching post vacant but we are delighted to have Miss Williams joining us as a new class teacher. She is relocating from Kent and is really excited to be joining Hiltingbury Juniors. Mrs Smith is going to be retiring from her role as HLTA so will no longer be covering classes. However, we are delighted that she will remain with us to deliver her much-valued ELSA time. We are currently advertising for an HLTA to fill this position.



Whether you are watching a certain wedding taking part in Windsor or heading out and about, have a lovely weekend. As there will be no Hiltingbury Highlights next week I will take this opportunity to wish you a happy half term too!

Mrs Hunter ☺

Year 3's Chariots of Fire



Last Friday (11th), all the children across Year 3 spent the afternoon making their Roman chariots, following a design brief set by Julius Caesar's mother. The completed chariots needed to be steady and fast.

In previous lessons, the children had measured and cut wood to make the chassis and axle and had assembled the chassis. During Friday afternoon, the children built the body of their chariots, to match their individual designs.

There was a wonderful buzz in each of the classrooms, which would not have been achieved without the help from an army of parents. The Year 3 children and teachers would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who came in and made this such a wonderful afternoon.



Sports Day – next Tuesday 22nd May



Lower School: 9:20am (for approx. 2 hours)
Upper School: 12:40pm (for approx. 2 hours)

For the events we are asking children to wear their PE kit together with a t-shirt (no football shirts please) to **match their house colours**. If this is not possible they should wear their normal P.E. t-shirt

'Get out of your car and walk, scoot or cycle to school'

JRSOs would like to remind everyone that it is 'Get out of your car and walk, scoot or cycle to school' week next week! Please, as much as possible, can you find ways to find alternative means of travelling to school?

Did you know that 75% of our pupils live less than a mile away from school!?

The sun is shining - let's all have healthy bodies, healthy minds and travel in an environmentally sustainable way!

All classes will be tallying up the numbers of children who find healthy ways of getting to school and there will be a prize for the winning class!

Good luck everyone!



Change to Library Opening Times

Due to the school disco tonight on Friday 18th May the library will be closed after school to allow the disco preparations to get underway.

As Friday 25th May is an inset day the next Friday we will be open after school will be Friday 8th June

Families are welcome to browse, exchange books or as a place to come and share books with your child. We have a new selection of both fiction and non-fiction books after a school library book exchange so please pop in and have a look.

Mrs Thomas

School Sponsored Read

To encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a School Sponsored Read during half term from Saturday 26th May until Friday 1st June.

The project is being organised in conjunction with Usborne Books, and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school.

In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in extra free books for the school. So for every £600 raised we will get an extra £360 in FREE Usborne books!

Please help us to enhance our reading resources for pupils by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read anything with words (for example comics, recipes, magazines) for as long or as little as they like.

Should you wish to support our sponsored read, please look out for a letter along with a sponsorship form and a reading log (to record the minutes they have spent reading) which will be sent home in your child's book bag next week. I hope you support our sponsored read so that your child has more books to read, share and enjoy.



We Care Certificates this week



Lily M (5CH) – Encouraging others at Fairthorne



Hattie F (6W) X out of X
Olivia F (3O) Brightens every lesson
Caleb O (5B) Positivity at Fairthorne
Isabel S (6B) In her stride



Luke H (3P) Creative Across Curriculum



Alex W (3DN) Keen vocabulary collector
Xander AE (5H) Perseverance in paddle boarding
Issy F (4P) Determined to succeed
Jaydyn W (6C) Positive approach



Thomas P (4S) Responding to advice
George M (4R) Perfected Parody



Communications this week (copies of these letters can be found on our website)

Group	Content	Date of Event/Deadline
Year 3	Roman Play in a Day	24 th May 2018

Dates for Next Week and beyond...

21 st May	R&R Athletics Whole School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
22 nd May	Sports Day: Lower School from 09:40 Upper School from 12:40 School lunch menu change
23 rd May	R&R Cricket Lower School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
24 th May	Parent Forum 09:00 Y3 Play in a day R&R Cricket Upper School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
25 th May	Inset Day
4 th June	R&R Athletics Whole School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
5 th June	Stories around the campfire 18:00
6 th June	R&R Cricket Lower School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
7 th June	R&R Cricket Upper School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room
8 th June	R&R Tennis Whole School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room Street Dance Whole School 15:30 – 16:30 collect from the music room HSPTA Summer Fair

School Discos

Friday 18th May, Junior School Hall - Yr1/2 16:45-18:00, Juniors 18:30-19:45

To all of you who have bought a ticket, we hope you have a great time at the disco tonight. Don't forget to print off your ticket and bring it with you to be shown at the entrance. We are sorry but there will be no tickets available for sale on the door. This is to help with administering the disco. Thank you to everyone who is kindly helping out with this event.

Summer Fair

Friday 8th June, Junior School Field 15:30-17:30

3 WEEKS TO GO....


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As you've seen on the poster sent home in book bags a great line up is planned this year all around the theme "what children can do in the area". Adult entry into the fair is £2 in advance (tickets now available on the website) or £3 on the day.

HELP NEEDED: Help is very much needed for the day of the event! Please sign up for an hour at www.pta-events.co.uk/hspta or contact us at info@hspta.co.uk.

Quiz'n'Chips

Friday 22nd June, Junior School Hall, 7:45pm

Tickets for this very popular event go on sale **9am Sunday 27th May**. This time there is a slight change to the way you order tickets. One member from each team needs to log on to the www.pta-events.co.uk/hspta and purchase a table for the price of £40, providing a team name. You are then able to purchase food for the team members who wish to have food, entering the same team name so we can match up the food orders with the teams. You can also go back and order food later if you so wish. There are 16 tables for sale and it's on a first come first served basis. Please only purchase food if you have been successful purchasing a table. Your team can fill the table with up to 8 people.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated to and bought from the second hand uniform sale run last week. An amazing £89 was raised!

For any queries or questions about the events or anything HSPTA related please contact us at info@hspta.co.uk or see our Facebook group [facebook.com/groups/hspta](https://www.facebook.com/groups/hspta).

Helen (HSPTA Chair)