



Holtsmere End Newsletter



Book & Cake Sale

We are having a book and cake sale this afternoon in the dining room. We are hoping to raise a good sum to purchase more books for the new library. There will be books for adults and children for sale, please come in and have a browse.

We hope that parents are enjoying celebrating the success of our school by having the opportunity to read the article in the Primary Times Magazine.

Our school is continuing on the journey towards being outstanding.

2013 SATs Results:

SATs results are different this year as Reading and Writing are reported separately, whereas in previous years they are reported as an over all 'English result.

Maths Level 4 +	Maths Level 5+	Reading Level 4 +	Reading Level 5+	Writing Level 4 +	Writing Level 5+	New Grammar test
92% (85%)	42% (41%) Level 6 8% (6%)	94% (86%)	53% (45%)	89% (83%)	29% (30%)	Level 5; 69% Hertfordshire 55%

(National figures in brackets)

Children are being involved more and more in their learning through;

- Peer and self assessment
- Challenge and Choice (For more details come to our maths evening)
- Reviewing the school behaviour policy
- School Council work
- Parent consultations this year will be called 'Learning Review Meetings' and will include the children (details to follow)
- Children who have Individual Education Plans are involved in deciding upon their targets.

This term teachers are working hard on outstanding teaching targets and are making great progress towards these.

Please turn over

HAVE YOU MISSED ANY LETTERS/EMAILS HOME

DIARY DATES

October

- 18th HSA Disco (at infants)
22nd Learning Review Meetings
3:30 - 5:30
24th Learning Review Meetings
4:30 - 6:30
28-1st Nov. Half Term

November

- 4th Inset Day (School Closed)
7th Theatre Trip
22nd Occasional Day (sch closed)

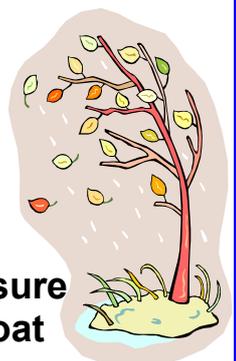
Dinner Money

From the 1st September the cost of a school dinner is £2.05 per day. All dinners are to be paid for in advance and cheques to be made payable to Herts Catering Ltd.

CHANGE IN THE WEATHER

The children still go out to play in cold and damp weather.

Please make sure they have a coat at school.



Christmas Celebrations

We have booked St Mary's church, in the old town, for a whole school Christmas Carol service this year, which we know will be a fantastic occasion (details to follow!)



Black History Month

We have a special assembly next week with a visitor invited to celebrate black history month.



Theatre Trip

We have been lucky enough to be given, by an anonymous donor, 70 Tickets to see 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpugo at the Richmond theatre in November. I am sure you will share my feelings of gratitude as this is a fantastic opportunity for our year 6 children. (Details to follow!)

This is just a flavour of things going on this term showing that our school is going from strength to strength, I truly am very privileged to be the Head of such a great school and I know that there isn't a school in the Country that have staff that want children to succeed more than ours do.

Emma McGuigan