

### **MOUNT HAWKE ACADEMY**

Friday 11th January 2019

#### **DIARY DATES**

Monday 14th Jan - AFTER SCHOOL **CLUBS START** 

Thursday 17th Jan – Special Chartwells Census Menu, 'Build a Burger'

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb – FOMHS Year 3 Cake Sale

Mon 11th March - Fri 15th March -Science Week

Mon 25th March - Friday 29th **March** – Parent Consultations

#### ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

The Adventure Playground has been installed and it is fabulous. The children have thoroughly enjoyed testing each part of it this week. Mr Brandreth has asked that all sponsorship money be handed in by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

Thank you again for all your fantastic support!







#### **ACT OF KINDNESS**

We would like to highly commend Felix in Year 1 for the tremendous kindness he has shown the elderly this Christmas. Felix was fortunate enough to buy the winning chocolate tombola ticket at the FOMHS Christmas Fayre. He decided that it would be nice to donate all his chocolate goodies to Fairholme Nursing Home. The manager of the home was truly touched that he had been so kind and thoughtful. Well done Felix, we are extremely proud of you!

#### **WELCOME BACK!**

Welcome back to our Spring Term 2019. We hope that you have had a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year and we would like to thank you for your kind wishes, cards and gifts. We have already made a busy start to the term, with the biggest excitement caused by our new Adventure Playground. We are very lucky to have such a super area after many years of dreaming and planning!

Here are some advanced dates for things we have already planned:

Ongoing – many different sporting events. Children will be notified when they are representing the school. Chartwells will be holding workshops in school with the

children, making pizzas or smoothies. Monday 4th February – Children's Mental Health Week – Healthy Inside & Out – visit

https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/ for more information

Tuesday 5th February - Safer Internet Day will be celebrated globally on with the theme: Together for a better internet. Visit

https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019 for more information.

**7th March** - World Book Day - we would love to have new models to display around school, so it would be great if the children would make models at home representing their favourite books to bring in on the day. Visit

http://www.worldbookday.com/ for more information.

**15th March** - Red Nose Day - non-uniform (red if possible!) with a donation to Red Nose Day.

11th March – Science / Celebration Week - we will be supporting 'Last Chance to Paint' -

https://www.lastchancetopaint.com - we will 'travel' and explore with artist John Dyer as he paints endangered ecosystems & people around the world. This is an optimistic project aiming to build real bonds, knowledge, respect and love between children and the natural world using the universal language and power of art.

25th March - Parent Consultation Evenings - more details to follow nearer the time.

More dates will be added to later newsletters, but it is certainly going to be another busy term. As ever, if you have any concerns, queries or ideas for support, please get in touch with your child's class teacher.

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#### **CELEBRATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Celebration	Achievement
Mousehole	Sam B	Stanley
Godrevy	Harrison	Jacqueline
Longships	Henry	Elizabeth
Pendeen	Jessica	Amelie
Class 3C	Barney G	Libby S
Class 3J	Dexter F	Tilda W
Class 4	Ella	Evan
Class 5	Martha L	George
Class 6L	Eva	Ella S
Class 6C	Alana	Florence S

#### PARENT SUPPORT ADVISOR SUPPORT SESSIONS

Emma Claxton, our Parent Support Advisor, is starting some 'drop-in' advice/support sessions here on a Tuesday morning to offer a listening ear to our parents and carers.

Drop in sessions to be held at Mount Hawke Academy, on Tuesday mornings between 08:45 – 10:30am beginning on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

Support and advice will be offered for:

Benefits – Debt – Housing – Employment - Community support - Social integration - Parenting (boundaries, routines, nutrition, child development...anything!) - Safeguarding concerns - Tricky behaviour - Adult training /education - Mental health – Relationships - Referrals / links to other agencies/services - Resources to support ...and anything else that you may think Mrs Claxton can help with. Please pop in on Tuesday morning and Emma, our PSA will see you in private. Appointments for a Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning are also always available.Email <a href="mailto:emma.claxton@mounthawke.org">emma.claxton@mounthawke.org</a>

## TRURO FOODBANK VOUCHERS FOR FAMILIES IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Please remember that Foodbank vouchers are available through the school. Mrs Claxton can collect food hampers and drop them off, if families and carers need this. If your children are in receipt of Free School Meals, parents and carers can also email Emma Claxton to get breakfast and lunch hampers for the school holidays. However, Mrs Claxton advises that families need to book early for February half term, and ideally those needing these hampers need to order by the first week in February.



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# SCHOOL CENSUS DAY BUILD A BURGER SPECIAL MENU THURSDAY 17TH JANUARY

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Next Thursday, 17th January 2019, is a National School Census Day. This is when the Department for Education (DfE) collects information about each school to help them plan for the future and, most importantly, the data is used to set future school budgets. One of the figures we have to report is the number of Reception and Years 1 & 2 children who are having a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) on this day.

The census data is then used to decide how much funding for the year we get for our hot meals. This means that if your child does not have a meal on Thursday, we will not receive any further funding for the rest of the year. If your child chooses to have a meal on another day, we will have to fund this from our school budget We do not receive funding for the amount of hot meals we supply, only the number of meals eaten on the two census days in October and January each year.

Our solution to this problem is to ask every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to try the hot meal on Census Day. Then your child will be fully funded to have hot meals during the year thus saving the school any additional costs.

As ever, thank you for your support.

## FREE CODING WORKSHOPS AT MOUNT HAWKE FOR PARENTS

#### Come along to the taster session on Monday!

Ian Barnes of Cornwall Council family learning will be delivering a taster session for parents who are interested in learning how to program with Scratch (and other tools, including connectable hardware) - Monday 14th Jan; 2pm. Full sessions will begin at Mount Hawke from Monday 21st Jan. These sessions will begin at 1pm each week, with your children invited to join the group from 2:30. See posters across the school for further info. All are welcome; no previous experience required!

