

Haseltine Newsletter 21st November 2022 Dear Parents & Carers, Children, Families and Friends,

Happy Monday ©

I hope that you all had a really good weekend and that we all have a great week ahead.

Thank you to those parents in yrs4-6 who completed & returned the safeguarding survey that I sent out. We did only get 18 back (out of 141), so if you do still have yours please can you return it to me or to the office ASAP. There were some really useful comments on the survey, as well as some lovely compliments about the school, suggestions that we can really put into practice such as:

- Workshops for parents on children's use of social media & also online safety (I am looking into an expert in this coming in to deliver some training)
- Providing you with some expectations & definitions of safeguarding (I will put something together for you on this)

There are some other things too that we can improve upon and I will put these points into action.

We had a great Anti-Bullying Week last week at Haseltine; I want to apologise for my email to you all last week that changed Anti-Bullying to Ant-Bullying! I have no idea how it happened – well spotted Suzy, it did make me laugh when you told me © Thank you to everyone who came to school wearing Odd Socks on Monday and their own clothes to show off their own identities on Friday.

I would just like to reach out to any of you who were affected by the murder of the young man in Downham a couple of weeks ago. So many lives impacted, so sad and so tragic. We are here for you, if you need to talk to anyone about the events or if you feel your child would need some support.

Wellbeing Workshop for Parents:

Thank you to everyone who came to this on Friday morning. It was a really great session, we will definitely look into holding more of these sessions at Haseltine. I hope that those of you who came found it useful; I know I did.

We are planning to run further sessions with Engage later in the year (one on resilience for example and another one in the Summer Term for parents/carers of children moving onto secondary school.

An Extra Bank Holiday Date:

You may have seen on the news that there will be an extra bank holiday Monday next year, on the 8th May 2023, as it is the weekend of the King's Coronation.

We are waiting for confirmation from the DfE on this, as Monday 8th May is also the date of the first year 6 SATs tests! At this stage, we really don't know what they are going to say.



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I saw this in a safeguarding email I was sent and I thought it may be useful to you...

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers (Football Association)

Every week millions of children play football, many of them in organised clubs and organisations. As part of its safeguarding response, the Football Association has created a safeguarding course for parents.

The course is designed to help parents make informed choices about the football settings where they enrol their children. The course helps parents recognise best practice and see where there may be concerns, so that they can report them quickly and effectively.

This free course can be found

here: https://learn.englandfootball.com/courses/safeguarding/safeguarding-awareness-for-parents-and-carers

Money raised this term so far:

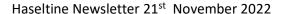
Jeans for Genes £237.56

Wear Red against Racism £211.40

We have not yet received the figures for the money collected for the Poppy appeal. We are very excited to hear the overall amount raised as everyone was so very generous this year; maybe the wrist bands helped a little ① At the end of the first week we had collected approximately £278.00 with a further collection tin being almost filled the second week. As soon as we have the final figure we will let you all know, but we think it will be at least £400!

Thank you too, to everyone who donated to the Foodbank around Harvest time. Thank you too to Moira for organising...







Thank you everyone, for your generosity and kindness throughout this term and always ©



Christmas Dates:

The Haseltine Christmas Tree goes up on Thursday 1st December

Winter Fair: Friday 2nd December after school (if anyone wants to help out, please come to the school on the day)

EYFS (Reception & Afternoon Nursery) show: Monday 5th December at 2pm

EYFS (Reception & Morning Nursery) show: Wednesday 7th December at 10am

Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 8th December, raising money for The Mizen Foundation

KS1 (Yrs1 & 2) show: Thursday 8th December at 2pm

KS1 (Yrs1 & 2) show: Friday 9th December at 9.30am

KS2 – 3M, 4R, 5F & 6L show: Monday 12th December at 2pm

KS2 – 3SB, 4P, 5S & 6M show: Tuesday 13th December at 9.30am

Tickets for all the shows will be available from the 30th November. We do need to restrict numbers in the hall for health & safety reasons and so we will only have availability for 1 or 2 adults from each family. I know that this may be upsetting for some of you but we do have to keep you all safe (it is because of fire safety reasons).

Christmas Dinners for Children:

Unfortunately this year, it is looking unlikely that we will be able to have Christmas dinners for children. This is because our cookers in our kitchen are not fully functional and we are waiting for parts to come from Europe to fix them. There has been a massive delay on this and we currently don't know when we will actually get them.

We are very, very sorry about this and we are looking at what we can do instead; we will also let you know if they suddenly arrive and we can go ahead, but I just wanted to pre-warn you.

Christmas Fair News:

<u>Donations:</u> Please keep bringing your donations in for our Christmas Fair which is taking place on the 2nd December. Please drop them off with Sara Anderman at the gate. Many thanks.



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<u>Chocolate Tombola Donations:</u> Please send any chocolate donations with your child to their class. There is a competition for the class who collects the most chocolate so every donation counts ☺

<u>Father Christmas is coming...</u> Santa will be at our fair and you can buy tickets from the 25th November at the big gate at drop off and pick up times. Tickets will be £2.50 per child.

Thank you to all the people who have volunteered to help us, either in the run up to the fair or on the day. We really couldn't do it without you (literally ③). If you have volunteered but suddenly can't be there, please make sure that you give us as much notice as possible – we would have to shut stalls if too many people dropped out, so honestly, your support is hugely appreciated.

We break up on Friday 16th December at the normal time, we then return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023 (school is closed to children on the 3rd as we have an INSET day).

And finally...

I have set a date for our next annual Careers Fair: Friday 24th March. If you think you would like to volunteer your time to come in and speak about your career then please book this date in your diary. I will give you further details nearer the time but I just wanted to prepare you. Thanks so much.

Have a great week everyone,
Sara Anderman