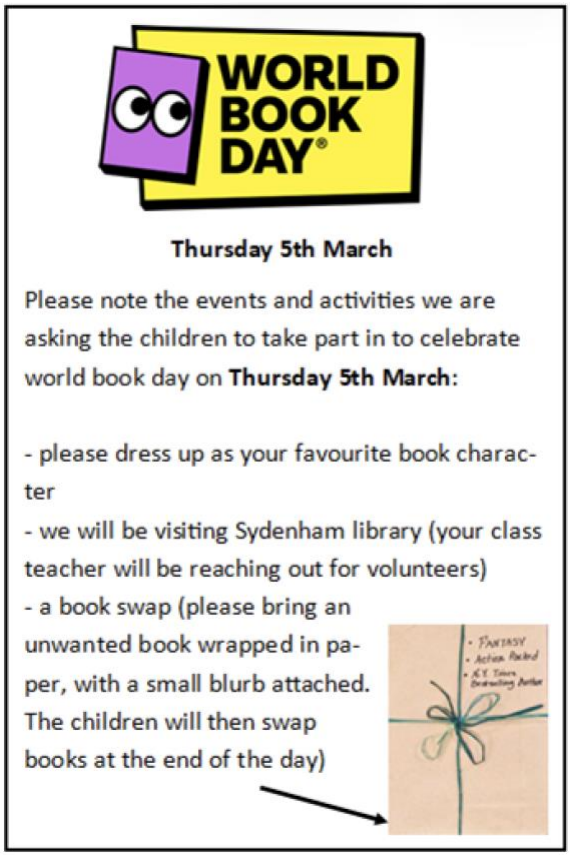
Haseltine Newsletter February 27th 2026

Dear Families & Friends,

I hope that you all had a great week during half term week, the children have come back refreshed & ready for the next few weeks. This half term is a really short one actually, just 5 weeks, so only 4 more weeks until we break up for the next holiday (27th March)!

The next 4 weeks are packed with some pretty exciting events, read on for further details…

World Book Day is next week on Thursday 5th March:



WORLD BOOK DAY®

Thursday 5th March

Please note the events and activities we are asking the children to take part in to celebrate world book day on **Thursday 5th March**:

- please dress up as your favourite book character
- we will be visiting Sydenham library (your class teacher will be reaching out for volunteers)
- a book swap (please bring an unwanted book wrapped in paper, with a small blurb attached. The children will then swap books at the end of the day)

If you cannot find a costume of a book character, please instead let your child wear an outfit that they would feel comfy to read in – a 'onesie' would work!

If you can though, a book character outfit is so much fun – especially when we have to try and guess each other's characters & books ☺

Don't forget to bring in a wrapped-up book for the book swap too, the more books we get in, the more fun this will be.

Thank you

Haseltine Careers Fair is happening on Friday 20th March:

So far, we have 6-8 volunteers for the Careers Fair on Friday 20th March but we really need more.

Please email me s.anderman@haseltine.lewisham.sch.uk if you think you can help, or have a chat with me at the gate if you want to find out more. It really is a lot of fun, and our children get SO MUCH out of it. The fair lasts from 9am to 12pm and all children from yr1 to yr6 will come in the hall to speak with you and ask you questions.

We really, really do appreciate your help with this – we are more than happy for you to volunteer family members & friends too. We would also like teenagers/young people/adults who are in university, college or apprenticeships too – there is so much to

learn from you. All jobs and careers are important to us, I have heard some people say that their job isn't interesting enough – trust me, it really, really is ☺

Coffee Morning:

Save the date Haseltine Coffee morning Thursday 26th March at 9.00am

- Are you concerned that your child may have ADHD?
- Is their behaviour challenging for you and your family?

We are excited to be working with the Early Years Alliance to offer parents with children aged 4-11 advice, support and next steps to help you understand your child' s behaviour better and build positive relationships.

Everyone is welcome.

Eid Celebration:

On Monday 23rd March, we will be having an event in our Hub to celebrate Eid. Some of our lovely PTFA are helping to arrange this, but we would need your help too. Please can you:

- Cook/bake something lovely to share and bring to the Hub anytime from 3pm
- Come along to the Hub anytime that evening, from 3.30-6.30pm to join in the fun and eat some food with us. The event is taking place during parents' evening so please pop in anytime – the event is open for EVERYONE

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Pre- Eid Henna Tattoos:

Easter Parade & Spring time singing:

On Thursday 26th March starting from 3.10pm, we will be having an Easter Hat parade by the younger children of the school.

This will be accompanied by an outdoor singing performance by the KS2 children (this is to make up for the Christmas cancellation, apologies again for this).

Details will follow nearer the time, but save the date.

Parent/Teacher Meetings:

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Don't forget that we have our Parent/Teacher meetings on Monday 23rd & Wednesday 25th March (5F & 1M have them on the Tuesday & Wednesday, not Monday because of other commitments).

You will be able to sign up to make an appointment from Monday 2nd March, please make sure that you do this ASAP using the Arbor app. It is crucial that you come to this for all your children.

Thanks

Free breakfasts at Morrisons Cafes…

Check this out, just in case you have a Morrisons near you:

https://uk.news.yahoo.com/parents-kids-free-breakfasts-morrisons-083007340.html

Parkrun!

For those of you who may be interested in exercise, keeping fit and looking after your mental health, please check out this website…

https://www.parkrun.org.uk/beckenhamplace/

You can run, walk or jog 5km (or 4-14-year olds can do 2km). It really is great fun, there are lots of other Parkruns available if you aren't local to Beckenham Place Park.

If, like me, you want to get into running but aren't sure of how to, I can HIGHLY recommend the Couch to 5K app. I have just finished week 6, and I can honestly say that I feel like a different person! Not only do I feel fitter, I can really feel the impact on my mental health too! This is a link to the website: https://www.nhs.uk/better-health/get-active/get-running-with-couch-to-5k/

Don't forget too, that there is still time to sign up for the Big Half happening in September…

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Children Walking to School by themselves:

At Haseltine, we do allow children to walk home by themselves when they are in year 6, and sometimes when they are in year 5. Before doing so, the parent or carer MUST put it in writing to us, either in an email or on paper, and have had a conversation with me, Mrs Anderman.

We cannot allow children to walk by themselves in any other year group.

Thank you for helping us to keep all children safe.

Children Cycling or on Scooters:

Please can all children, regardless of age, wear a helmet when cycling or on a scooter. They really do save lives, and it frightens the life out of me when I see children not wearing one.

Attendance winners for the last week…

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Who has won the Attendance Trophy this week?

16th – 23rd February

KS1

	Class	Attendance
1st	2H	96.27%
2nd	1M	95.78%
3rd	1N	93.51%

KS2

	Class	Attendance
1st	5S	97.14%
2nd	6B	96.24%
3rd	3H	95.56%

Come on everyone! Keep it up! Let's make this half term the best yet!

Don't forget to sign-up for Studybugs if you haven't already…

https://studybugs.com/about/parents

I cannot tell you how much easier it will make your life!

Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend everyone, let's hope that we get a little more sunshine like we had on Wednesday!

See you on Monday,
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