Haberdashers' Slade Green Primary

Primary Newsletter

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Dear parents and guardians

We were really pleased in assembly to announce the winners of our Coronation card competition. Attenborough our Nursery class came in first place and won a knitted King Charles III! Their congratulations card has been sent to the Palace and we hope that we'll get a reply.

We also received our Coronation wildflower seeds and Mrs Macauley will be working with our Eco warriors to plant these around the school.

Our Y5 children continue to campaign for donations of school uniform that we can redistribute to families. We are also working in partnership with Bexley and Traid and thank families who donated clothes and materials this week.

On Monday, children in Y5 and Y6 are competing with all other primary schools in the Trust at our annual sports day. Each child will represent us in one of the sports activities and we can't wait! This is taking place at Crystal Palace and the coach will be leaving promptly at 8.30am - please make sure children are in school by 8.15am.

Upcoming Event

Stay and Read Sessions—
All at 2.30pm
Year 3—24th May

Annual Trust Sports Day for Year 5 & 6 at Crystal Palace National Stadium - 22nd May

Year 1 trip to Danson Park—23rd May

Year 4 trip to Crayford Mosque—24th May

Last Day of Term—26th May

First Day of Term 6— 5th June

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Stars of Week 8.5.23

Attenborough– Amirah
Farah – Zara
Curie – Ragnar
Thunberg – Joshua
Yousafzai – Cristiano
Kahlo – Imarni
Hawking– Chloe
Tubman – Abdullah
Zephaniah – Damisi
Turing– Frank

Attendance Awards 8.5.23

Gold– Hawking 97.83%
Silver– Yousafzai 96.43%
Bronze– Farah 95%

Stars of the Week 15.5.23

Attenborough– Charlie
Farah – Bella
Curie – Ax
Thunberg – Olivia
Yousafzai – Vicky
Kahlo – Jordan
Hawking– Razak
Tubman – Aston
Zephaniah – whole class
Turing– whole class

Attendance Awards 15.5.23

Gold– Zephaniah & Turing 100%
Silver– Tubman 98.37%
Bronze– Yousafzai 98.21%

Nursery

We have been learning about height and length this week. The children have been measuring themselves with string and comparing their heights to see who the tallest and shortest children are. They have also challenged themselves outside by seeing who could build the tallest tower! Our story of the week has inspired the children to start thinking about their futures and what they want to be when they grow up. Next week, we will continue to read 'Emergency' and discuss what the children see themselves doing in the future. As the weather warms up due to the amount of time spent outside in nursery, please make sure your child has a bottle of water and a sun hat with them each day.

Reception

In reception, we have loved the warmer weather and noticed lots of changes and minibeasts in forest school. The children have enjoyed learning about the role of a fire fighter and wrote about the equipment they use to do their job. In maths, we have been sharing amounts equally using a variety of resources. Next week, we will be creating posters about fire safety and labelling fire engines. In maths, we will be comparing objects by weight using the vocabulary light, lightest, heavy, heaviest. Now the weather is getting warmer, please ensure children have put sun cream on before school and bring a sun hat and water with them daily.

Year 1

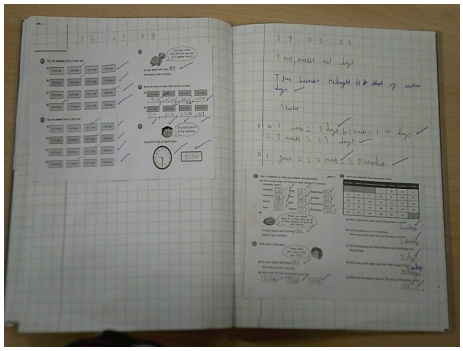
This week in class we have began writing our story on Stanley`s stick. Some of the children have been writing their own version of the story with their character having a feather or a stone. In maths we have carried on our learning on fractions, this week looking at quarters and how many parts there are in quarters. In PE, we worked in teams during our orienteering lesson to make a given pattern on the floor using the correct colour of beanbags, cubes and counters. In art we have begun our final piece using yellow and blue paint and wax crayons to create an ombre green affect.

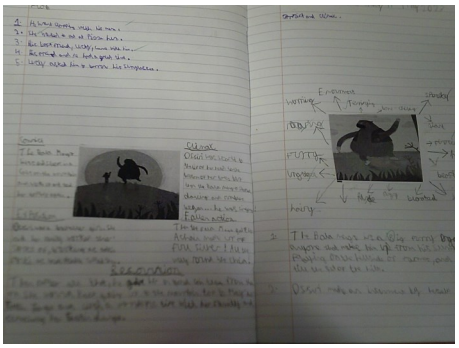
Year 2

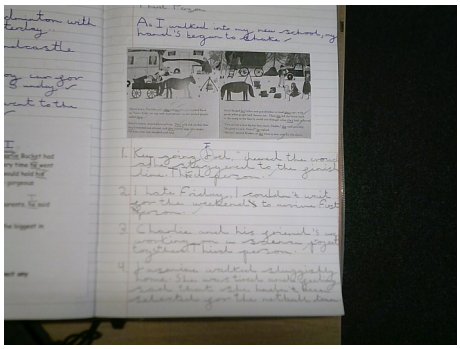
This week in year 2 the children looked at states of matter. In this science lesson the children looked at how one substance (water) can exist in all three states. Here are some pictures from our lesson.

Year 3

In Year 3, we have been looking at friction in Science, we explored friction by using our shoes and socks. We then compared which one uses more friction or push. We looked at time in Maths and in Literacy we looked at the structure of a plot and created a plot about Ossiri and the Bala Mengro. In Geography we looked at the Peak District and were excited to identify the human and physical features.







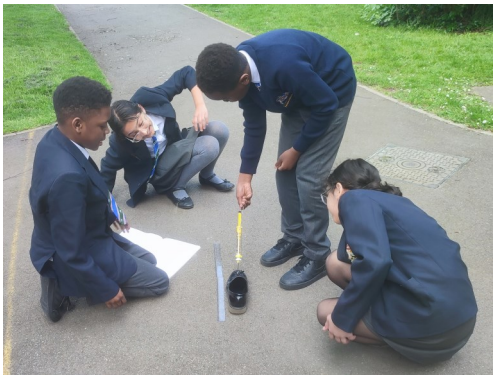
Year 4

This week in Year 4, the children have been very busy enjoying their learning. In Science, they learnt that insulators oppose electrical current and make poor conductors. They had lots of fun making predictions and testing whether various objects would let electricity flow through a circuit and light up the bulb. In their writing, the children have worked on using figurative language (similes, metaphors, personification) as well as expanded noun phrases to describe a setting. We are on to the third and final chapter of our class reading text and are eager to find out how the story ends. In PSHE, the children worked in groups and talked about relationships and how to make new friends. They also spoke about how to manage when they fall out with their friends. The children are getting very good at orienteering and were able to complete some very tricky map work navigating from point to point.

We are all looking forward to our class trip to Crayford Mosque next Wednesday.

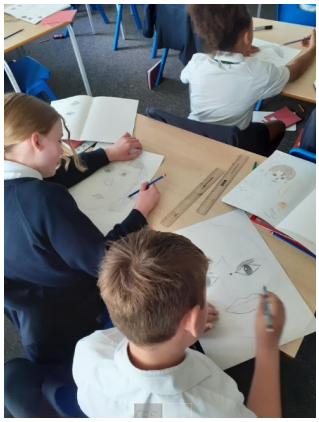
Year 5

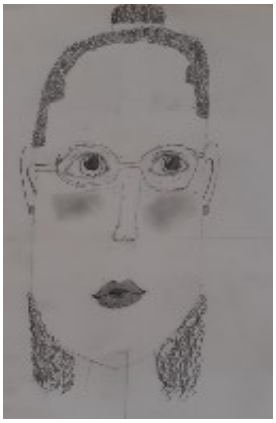
In Art this week, year 5 have been putting our knowledge of brush strokes to good use and have been using watercolour to paint images of feathers and birds. In science, we have been using Newton balances to investigate how different surfaces affect the amount of friction acting upon an object.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been writing their own stories themed on the classic novel Dracula; we have described the events of Jonathan, Mina and Arthur as they approach Dracula's castle, and the atmosphere and setting that they find themselves in. We have also undertaken our art unit throughout the afternoons this week, where we have looked at sketching self-portraits. We have all worked incredibly hard, and we are incredibly impressed with the final outcomes of all of the children.





Year 5 notice - Bexley tests

If you would like your child to sit the Bexley selection test in September 2023 you will need to register your child with the Local authority - they are only able to take the test if they have been registered. This can take place between 15th May - 30th June. Late applications are not accepted.

Uniform recycling

We are collecting any unwanted uniform to recycle free to parents. Do you have any uniform that you're no longer using? If so, please bring into the office.

Stay and Read - Wednesdays at 2:30pm

Thank you to the Year 5 parents who attended our Stay and Read session this week. We hope you enjoyed spending time in the classroom. The next Stay and Read session will take place for Year 3 parents on Wednesday 24th May. Please arrive at the office for 2:30pm, where a member of staff will meet and take you to the classroom. At the end of the day, you will be able to collect your child as normal.

For all future dates, please see the full list below:

Wednesday 24th May - Year 3

Uniform Reminders

We'd like to remind parents that all long hair must be tied back and no hoop earrings can be worn. Ties should be worn from Year 3-6. If your child is feeling cold, we would recommend wearing a long-sleeved shirt and jumper: long sleeved tops, worn under shirts, are not school uniform.

Our full uniform policy can be found here: https://www.habssladegreenprimary.org.uk/Our-Uniform/

Mobile Phones

Mobile Phones are not permitted in school. If your child is Y5/Y6 and walks to and from school alone, they are permitted to bring a mobile phone only if it is completely switched off before they enter the gate and remains switched off until they leave. These will be stored in classroom and not secured. We would strongly recommend that you consider that carrying an expensive mobile phone can make your child vulnerable, and have a chat with them about the safe use of mobile phones and the school rules regarding these.

Enjoy the weekend

HSG Staff

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Child Protection Concerns

Are you concerned about a child?

If you are concerned about a child:

Make a factual record of your concern.
(Include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature).

You must share your concerns without delay

Email: sladegreenadmin@habstrustsouth.org.uk

Call: 01322 402188

Ms J Mintram - DSL
Principal

Ms Kelly - Deputy DSL
Vice Principal

Mrs Botley - Deputy DSL
Inclusion Leader/SENco

Miss Furlong -
Deputy DSL
Head of Early Years

Mrs Palaniappan - Deputy DSL
HLTA

Ms McKenzie - Deputy DSL
Family Liaison Officer

Mrs Best—Deputy DSL
Admin Officer

Early Years

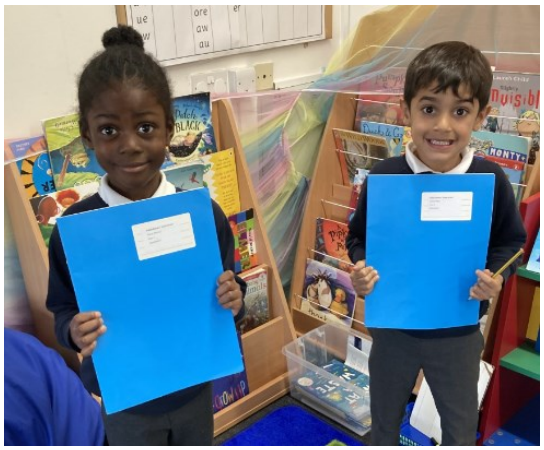
Children have a home learning book. Each week they will be given a maths and a literacy home learning task linked to the teaching that has taken place in school. Books must be brought in to school every Monday and will be sent home with the new tasks on a Tuesday.

It is also expected that children will read daily. Each week they will bring home a story book to be shared with family and a phonics book linked to the sounds and key words being taught in class that they will begin to read themselves. Story books will be changed every Monday and Friday. Phonics books will be changed several times throughout the week. Please make a comment each time you read to let us know you have finished the book and how children got on. Books and reading records need to be brought into school daily.

Year 1-6

Homework Books

Your child should be bringing their lovely blue homework book home every week, with tasks to complete. Please do help your child to keep their book safe and bring it back to school!



In their book, they should have:

One or two tasks to complete
A spelling list to practice, either glued or written in
A reading passport **at the back of their book**

My Maths

Your child will have additional homework tasks set on MyMaths. This is an optional extra, for children and parents who want an extra challenge! If you have lost your login, the office should be able to generate a new one for you!

Times Tables Rock Stars

Every fortnight, the classes take part in a Times Tables Rock Stars tournament. If you have lost your login, the office should be able to generate a new one for you!

Reading

Your child should have a reading passport, stuck at the back of their books, to complete this term. Additionally, your child should have a something to read at home:

Year 1-2: One phonetically decodable book a week and one reading for pleasure book. It is important to repeatedly read the decodable book with your child over the week, rather than just giving it one read. This improves fluency.

Year 3: Most children will begin to choose from the book corner, with some children being given phonetically decodable books if they need an extra boost!

Years 4-6: Your child should be choosing from the wide range of books in the book corner and library!

Please safely return reading books to school, so that all the other children can enjoy them.

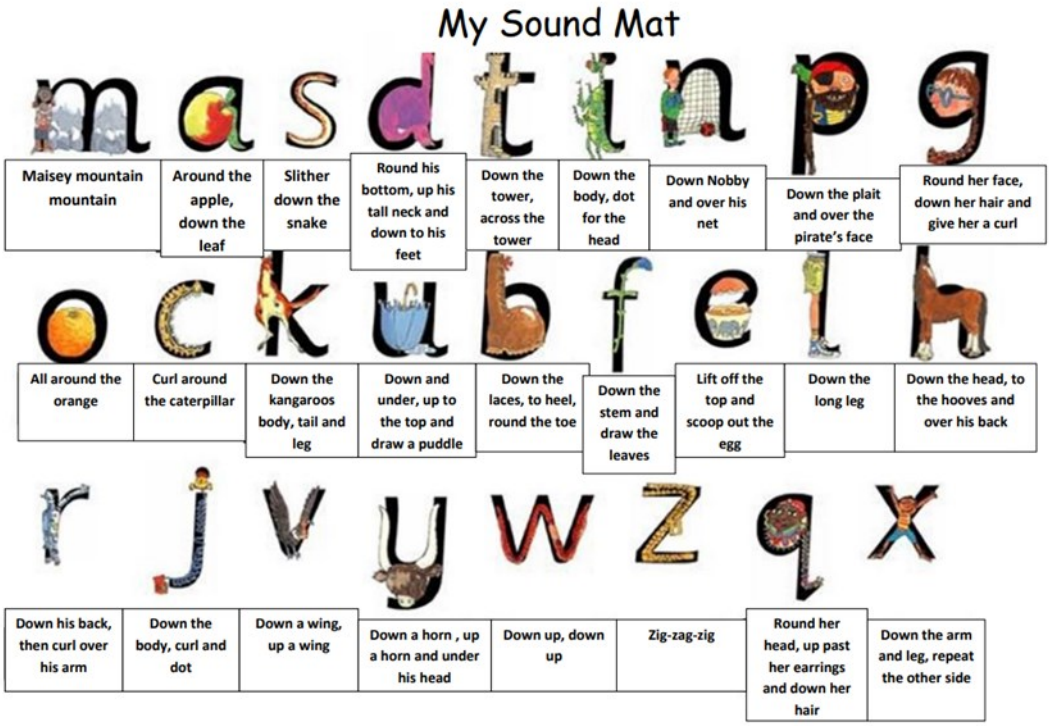
Problems with homework

If you are having any problems with homework, please speak to your child's teacher or email their phase leader, who will be happy to assist you.

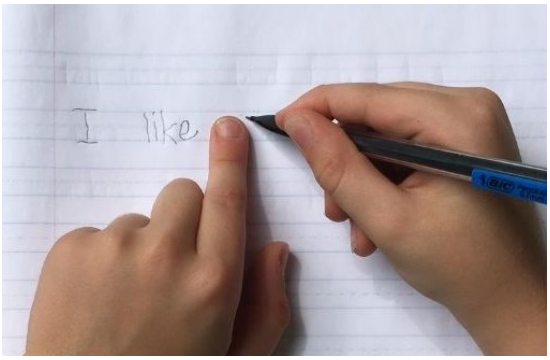
Handwriting

Early Years & Year 1

To progress in their handwriting, children must have 'functional pencil grasp'. That means that they hold their pencil, pen, or implement in the correct way. It is very important you correct this when your child draws, writes or paints at home- you can read top tips here: https://www.ot-mom-learning-activities.com/correct-pencil-grasp.html
In the Early Years and Year 1, the children focus on letter formation based on Read Write Inc., using images and words to encourage correct letter formation. You can watch videos of each correct letter formation here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gg8-Zg99FbI&list=PLv80XE_mA4uy5WO-mMcUQ2vX6AdVpIPEk



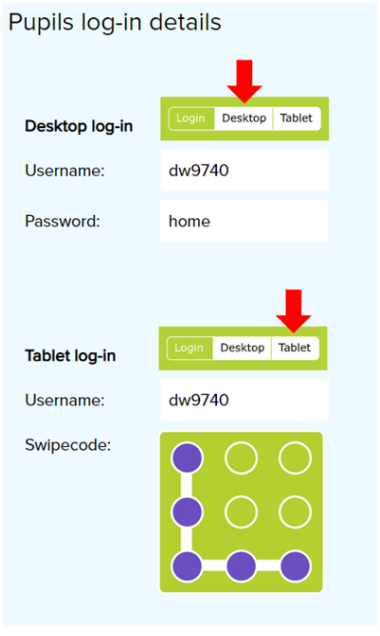
another big focus at this age is finger spacing. Your child should use their finger to remind them to leave a proper space after every word.



Year 2-6

We use the programme Letterjoin for our children's handwriting for Year 2 -6. You can access this programme online at home!

To log in, you will need our school login details:



You can read the full adult instructions here: https://www.habssladegreenprimary.org.uk/docs/letterjoin_instructions/Letterjoin_Instructions.pdf