

# Ashdon Primary School

Newsletter
14th June 2024

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#### Writers in the making!

Our children had the opportunity to take part in the writing competition launched by the Hadstock Society. This is one of the events planned for Hadstock Fete that is taking place this Saturday, 15th June. (Please go and watch our children do their Maypole Dancing, if you are in the area!)

Mrs. Hartley, our previous Chair of Governors, informed us of the competition before the Easter holidays. Hadstock Society shared the Hadstock Picture Archives with our children and they could choose their favourite photo with the theme of 'People'. They had to explain why this is their favourite photo. They also had to think how life for the people in the photo might have been different, compared with the lives we live today.

Mrs. Jarmain's Class 2 children were very excited about this opportunity and all entered the competition. Some of the children mentioned that they have learned a lot about good sentence structure, using tricky vocabulary and putting not just full stops at the end of sentences, but also using a variety of punctuation in their writing. Some mentioned that they used a Thesaurus for their writing and that using different words makes your writing more interesting.

Hadstock Society members were so impressed with the quality of the writing from the children from Class 2, that we not only have the winner for the age category 7-9 years in this class, but were also rewarded with a voucher for the class's great efforts in writing! Wow!!

So who was the winner??

The winner of the Hadstock writing competition for the age group 7-9 years for 2024 is the one and only **Sophia Horner!** Well done to Sophia for writing a beautiful piece. Well done to all the other pupils in Class 2 as well; you made us all very, very proud.



Mrs. Hartley presenting a book voucher to Sophia and a book voucher to Class 2. Sophia's mum was 'in on the secret' and knew that Sophia was the winner and she kindly attended the merry event on Tuesday.





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#### **Healthy Eating @ Ashdon**

We celebrated Healthy Eating Week this week. Mrs. Henry made an even bigger effort this week in getting us all to eat our colourful vegetables, fruit and drink more water. She created a lovely pallet of colourful sides and afters for our children. She even had a 'Healthy Eating' Quiz today, complete with exciting prizes for the winners. We want to thank Mrs. Henry for making 'Healthy Eating Week', really filled with fun, colours and learning!













#### Class 3 Master Bakers!!

Class 3 children learned all about measuring and baking cakes this week. They also had a choice of decorating these themselves. It is a good thing that we learned also about volume and measuring this week. They said that they had lots of fun and enjoyed creating these cakes. Thanks to Mrs. Dowding and Mrs. Henry who helped the children to create these masterpieces.























#### **Important Dates & Notices:**

- Saturday 15th June Hadstock Fete! Our pupils will be performing their maypole dance, choreographed by our own Mrs. Clark!
- Tuesday 18th June Sports Day (parents are invited to attend the afternoon events)
- Wednesday 19th June Bridging Lesson in school for Year 6s taught by a secondary English teacher
- Sunday 23rd June PTA and any parents willing to help painting school fences and gates, weeding the flower beds etc. Any help will be GREATLY appreciated.
- Monday 24th June Thursday 27th June Year 5 & 6 Residential @ Hautbois Activity Centre
- Friday 28th June SWCHS and Joyce Frankland Transition Day for those Year 6 pupils attending these schools from September 2024
- Friday 12th July End of Year Reports to go home
- Friday 12th July Year 6 at Ninja Warriors in Chelmsford
- Sunday 14th July Car Boot Sale on Ashdon Primary School's field (PTA arranging this event)
- Wednesday 17th July 'Porridge' End of Year Performance @ 14:00 and @ 18:30
- Thursday 18th July 'Porridge' End of Year Performance @ 18:30
- Friday 19th July Leavers' Assembly @ 09:30
- Friday 19th July Summer School Disco @ 15:30-17:00



#### Phonics Screening Check & **Multiplication Tables Check**

We want to say 'WELL DONE' to all our Year 1 and Year 4 pupils. Year 1 pupils all took part in the phonics screening check and I can let all the parents know that they did very, very well. We will have the pass rate published mid-July. Our Year 4s also had to be 'quick as lightning' answering the multiplication sums during the multiplication tables check. They were indeed super fast! I will update every parent as to the outcome of these checks before we break up for the summer holidays.

### **Attendance Winners**

First Place: Class 3 (97.9%)

Second Place: Class 1 (97.8%)

Third Place: Class 2 (97.5%)

Congratulations Class 3; you can have an extra 10 minutes playtime next Friday. Well done!

### Stars of the Week!

We are so proud of the stars of the week. They showed off all their skills and impressed everyone. We are so proud of you all!



