

## Hackwood News:

21st March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had an exciting start to the half term and are well into their new topics.

Year 1 and Year 3 have been on their school trips (please see a selection of photos below).

Year 4's came second overall in the Derby Sumdog contest out of eight schools.

Thank you to everyone for your support at parents evening. It was great to have some parents come into school and hopefully next year we will do all our appointments face to face. If you didn't manage to speak to your child's teacher they will be calling over the next week.

We also have lots of exciting plans over the next couple of weeks, including Easter celebrations.

### School Trip News:

**Year 1 went to White Post Farm.** They had a fantastic day, learnt about lots of different animals to support their learning back in school. The children got to feed, hold and stroke lots of different animals from lamas to millipedes.



**Year 3 went to Magna.** They got to splash in water, work a real JCB, wow at the fire tornado and even explode a rock face!



## Hackwood School Council

Our school council members have met a couple of time this half term with Miss Morley and Miss Winter. Mr Hughes our CEO, set us a challenge. We spoke to our classes and developed a proposal for him last Friday. He was very impressed with our research and presentation. We now need to continue our research to ensure we get the best product for our school. We will keep you posted with our plans!

During their visit Mr Hughes and Mrs Hainsworth presented a 'Dazzle Box' to the school council. A donation of books for our new library! We were well and truly dazzled and very grateful.



## Red Nose Day

This year it is all about YOU! You can make a difference. You have the power to change lives.'

Thank you to everyone for your support and donations on Friday. Hackwood raised £150.16 for Comic Relief. Here are some photos of our Nursery children raising awareness for Comic Relief

Firefighters



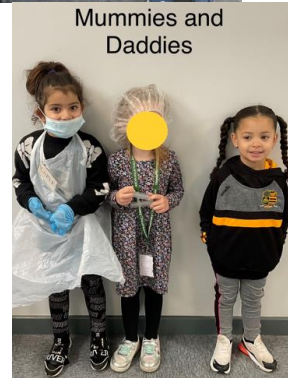
Superheroes



Doctors



Mummies and Daddies





## Easter Parade and Egg Competition:

Hackwood, it's time to get EGGcited and creative as part of your home learning this half term...



On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April we want to get in the Easter mood.

Squirrels, Rabbits, Woodpeckers and Hedghogs (EYFS and KS1) are invited to make, wear and parade their home made Easter bonnet around school for all classes to view. Each class will be judged and a winner selected!

Owls, Foxes and Badgers (KS2) are invited to enter our Boiled egg competition! All the EGGscelent entries will be displayed outside each classroom for viewing judging and a winner in each class chosen. The only rule is... the eggs must be boiled!



To add to this EGGcitment, we are inviting parents and carers on-site to view the parade from 9.10 to see the parade and boiled egg creations. We look forward again to seeing you in school and your lovely Easter creations.

## Lost property



With the warmer weather coming, children are starting to take coats and jumpers off! PLEASE make sure their NAME is written in all of their uniform. We understand how frustrating it is when items vanish however if names are in they are nearly always returned to the owner. Classrooms may have some lost items but the office also has a container full of nameless belongings if you are missing something.

## BIKEABILITY IS COMING TO HACKWOOD! w/c 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022



Bikeability is a cycle training programme ran by Cycle Derby.

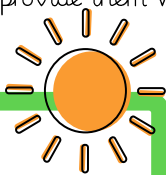
Bikeability instructors who are trained to deliver National Standard cycle training will deliver this programme to all children at Hackwood. They work in schools all over the country and will provide a really enjoyable opportunity for our pupils!

A variety of different activities will be delivered throughout the week, e.g. balance sessions, Learn to Ride sessions and Level 1 cycle training. The sessions will be tailored to suit the needs of all children in school and will provide your child with the skills, knowledge and understanding of cycle safety.

The Bikeability programme will not only provide them with the confidence for all kinds of cycling in the future. It will provide our children with:

## SOCIAL

- Cycling can provide opportunities for our pupils to develop their social skills
- It can help them to visit new places in our community
- Cycling can help them to develop some independence



## HEALTH

- Cycling is good for your children's health & fitness
- It can help to increase their physical activity levels in a fun and enjoyable way
- It is better for the environment, and us, than a car journey (reduces CO2 and air pollution)



## PHYSICAL BENEFITS

- Helps children to develop and use the largest muscle groups. This helps with concentration and focus in school too!
- Cycling helps them to develop good balance and spatial awareness



## THINKING

There are many skills Bikeability can help with, including:

- Developing decision making skills
- Planning & organisation
- Independent thinking



Bikes and helmets will be provided for all children from Nursery to Year 5. However, if children in Year 4 or 5 have access to bikes and are able to bring these to school, please do so.

In the weeks leading up to our Bikeability training, look out for a timetable of when each class will take part in the programme. A letter and consent form will be provided for Year 4 and 5 parents/guardians with details of their Level 1 training.



National Online Safety  
Certified School

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

AWARDED TO  
Hackwood Primary Academy

Congratulations to the Hackwood Community.

Together we have been awarded our 'National Online Safety award. We are 1 of 5 schools in the Trust to be awarded with this. So congratulations to all teachers, support staff, parents and leaders who helped us achieve this.



# Hackwood Primary Academy



## Dates for your diary:

Easter parade - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 9.15

Break up day - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

Summer 1 term - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Summer 2 term - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June - Friday

Walk to school week - WC 16.5.22

INSET day - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Sports Day- WC 27.6.22 - more details and dates to follow.

Bike ability - WC: 4<sup>th</sup> July

