



# Hackwood Primary Academy Newsletter End of Summer Term



## What an AMAZING half-term we have had!

Dear Hackwood Parents, Carers and the Community,

The children have worked incredibly hard over the last half-term and made excellent progress with their learning. We have had some fantastic trips to Tudor World, Conkers, Crich Tramway Museum as well as have a Seaside at Hackwood! We enjoyed having a visit from a Team GB Athlete and the children thoroughly enjoyed our Sports Days!

It is clear that our children believe in themselves, achieve their targets and succeed.

I have been delighted with the effort, commitment and professionalism of our staff team who are all so passionate about teaching and caring for your children and I am convinced this school will go from strength to strength becoming a school that everyone can be proud of.

I would like to say a personal thank you to all the parents and carers I have spoken to over the last 6 weeks and look forward to working with you even more closely next year.

Have a wonderful holiday with your loved ones.

Mr Miah

### Key Dates

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September:

INSET – School is closed for Children

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September:

School – Re-opens for children

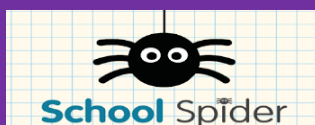
## Home – School Communication

We would like to clarify our means of communication from September 2022:

- **ParentPay** will be our means of communicating regarding any issues related to School Meals, Breakfast Club, After-school club and trips or any request for money / payment.



- **Spider App:** This will be used for informing you about events, key calendar dates, local activities, Health & Safety messages and sharing of any useful schemes or programmes. E.g Sun Safety, Cycle Derby etc



- **Seesaw:** This is an app that is used for you to engage with and share your child's learning journey.



- Please ensure that you have access to the above; they are our primary means of communication. As always – if you need any further help, advice, support please do not hesitate to get in touch with the School Office on the contact details below.



## Summer Reading Challenge


This year's challenge features the Gadgets – 6 fictional young innovators. If you're aged between 4 and 11, you can help the Gadgets come up with ingenious inventions to make the summer party the best ever!

The challenge is to read 6 or more library books over summer.


**Your local library** (Mickelover Library) will give you a sticker for every book you read, and after finishing 6 books you'll get a medal and certificate. Visit <https://www.inderby.org.uk/libraries/childrens-and-family-activities/reading-challenge/> to find out more.



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It is wonderful seeing the children enjoying reading for pleasure. Sharing their library books with friends in the comfy corner of the library. One of the Nursery children said "The best thing about going to the library is choosing my own book and sharing it with my friends."



 **HackwoodAcademy** @HackwoodAcademy · 20h

Squirrels class' (Nursery) teacher Miss Dudson recorded this brilliant time-lapse of butterflies emerging from their cocoons overnight. The children were excited to see the process they've learnt from reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' #butterflies #metamorphosis @MrForidMiah



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Rabbits class (Reception) Block Play area. Look at some of the fab creations made by the children including fruit & vegetable gardens, castles, race tracks & even Buckingham Palace! Working together using their imaginations - they are always proud of their creations as are we!



 **HackwoodAcademy** @Ha... · 04 Jul

This week we welcome @Cycle\_Derby Bikeability. Throughout the week every year group will take part in fun activities - building confidence and gaining great training...



Our Twitter Handle is @HackwoodAcademy



## Fun activity ideas for the summer holidays

### Top 5 FREE events

**1 Sunday, 24 July, 11am-4pm,** Shipley Country Park, join a bug-tastic insect show with insect-related displays. Cost: FREE\*.

**2 Thursday, 28 July, 10.30am-3.30pm,** Teddy Bear's Picnic at Elvaston Castle. Bring your favourite bear and a packed lunch for a picnic. Cost: FREE\* – small charge for some activities.

**3 Thursday, 4 August, 10am-4pm,** Renewable Thursday. Come and make your own model water wheel and explore waterpower and renewable energy at High Peak Junction Visitor Centre. Cost: FREE\*.

**4 Visit Buxton Museum and Art Gallery** to discover the archaeology, geology, art and history of the Peak District. Cost: FREE.

**5 Thursday, 18 August, 10am-4pm,** Engineering Thursday at High Peak Junction Visitor Centre. Find out how High Peak Junction Incline worked to move the train carriages. Cost: FREE\*.

For a full list and more information about the council's countryside events, download the Countryside Destinations and Events brochure at [derbyshire.gov.uk/countrysideevents](http://derbyshire.gov.uk/countrysideevents)

### Top 5 ideas for a family day out

**1 Saturday 6 – Sunday 7 August,** Cromford Steam Rally. See traditional steamers, vintage vehicles, stationary engines, a model marquee, miniature steam, stalls, rides and much more. Cost: entry fee and charges for some activities. [cromfordsteamrally.co.uk](http://cromfordsteamrally.co.uk)

**2 Wednesday, 17 – Sunday, 21 August,** Barlow Carnival, Chesterfield. Parade of floats, entertainment, and fun for all the family. Cost: entry fee and charges apply for some activities. [barlowcarnival.co.uk](http://barlowcarnival.co.uk)

**3 Saturday, 27 – Monday, 29 August,** Cromford Outdoor Weekend. Cromford Mills adventure weekend is filled with action-packed activities including canoeing, climbing, biking and more. For more information visit [cromfordmills.org.uk](http://cromfordmills.org.uk)

**4 Saturday, 10 – Sunday, 11 September,** 11am-4pm. Tapton Lock Summer Festival, Chesterfield. Arts and crafts, live performances, climbing wall and canoeing. Cost: FREE entry, charges for some activities. [derbyshire.gov.uk/countrysideevents](http://derbyshire.gov.uk/countrysideevents)



Derbyshire Woodland Festival

**5 Saturday, 17 – Sunday, 18 September,** 10am-5pm, Derbyshire Woodland Festival at Elvaston Castle County Park. Traditional and contemporary woodland crafts, stalls and lots of entertainment. Cost: special parking charges admit you to the festival (cars £15, motorcycles £7.50, weekend ticket £20) [derbyshire.gov.uk/woodlandfestival](http://derbyshire.gov.uk/woodlandfestival)

\*All event details were correct at time of going to press. Please check with the organisers before travelling.

### Mickleover Library

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Plus lots more ideas if you visit:

<https://www.visitderby.co.uk/whats-on/school-summer-holidays>