



# NEWSLETTER



OUR SCHOOL VALUES: RESPECT - UNDERSTANDING – PEACE – HONESTY – RESPONSIBILITY - TEAMWORK

## April 2021

How lovely to return to school in the sunshine. I hope everyone had a restful Easter break and enjoyed the slight move back to normality from the 12<sup>th</sup> April. It was so nice to have a cuppa in the garden with a friend! Let's hope it stays sunny for many more weeks.

### Science

If any children ever make their own mini science projects with their family over a weekend/evening and would like to share them with us, then Mrs Gale (our science coordinator) would love to see them. Just take a quick photo and send an email (with a quick explanation) to the school office. [office@hcschool.uk](mailto:office@hcschool.uk) Who knows – maybe your science project will be shared in our celebration assembly or even appear in the next school newsletter!



### Plants

It is that time of the year when we are all looking forward to getting outside and planting up our gardens. So with that in mind, every child in every class will be planting some seeds (either flowers or vegetables) next week, so that we can sell them the week before the half term break to raise funds for the school.

We are, as always, happy to receive any donations of seeds to help us on our way, but they will need to be fairly quick growing as we only have four weeks until the plant sale!

This is, of course, also a great science activity and always great for the environment too. We usually share how well our seeds are growing in our weekly celebration assembly and the children enjoy the competitiveness of seeing whose plants are growing the fastest!

### Pond Dipping

You can always tell when summer is on the way when wildlife starts to appear around our pond. It looks like we will be getting all sorts of species again in our pond and newts have already been spotted.

The children will soon be pond dipping again and we hope to let you know in future newsletters what exciting animals and insects we have discovered.

I wonder if our two ducks will visit us again this year?



### Emails to School

Just a reminder that messages should, in the main, be sent to [office@hcschool.uk](mailto:office@hcschool.uk) where emails for members of staff will be forwarded or answered by the office staff if necessary.

eSchools messaging should only be used for queries regarding a specific piece of homework set by the teachers.

### Reading

Following our pre-Easter assessments our children have overall made some great reading progress. Well done children and all the grown-ups who have supported them, particularly this term.

This week in Celebration Assembly we celebrated St George's Day and thanked God for England.

*'Oh, to be in England  
Now that April's there...*

*While the chaffinch sings on the orchard bough*

*In England—now!*

Robert Browning



### Dates for your Diary

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

Bank Holiday

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

School breaks up (normal Time)

Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021

INSET day

Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Children return to school

Just a reminder to please send your children in with a waterproof jacket every day. We haven't had rain for a while, so I'm sure a few showers are due, and we go outside unless it is torrential!