

## Hurst Green Happenings 24 March 2023



We've got lots to look forward to in the summer term (including some sunshine, hopefully!) so please take a look at the Dates for your Diary page.

We've got a really exciting schedule of after school clubs on offer and the children have lots of engaging and interesting learning experiences coming up, including Year 1's visit to the Natural History Museum.

A personal highlight is the arrival of our chick eggs in April! The children (and staff) adore watching them hatch and we'll be sure to keep you all updated with their progress and all the learning we'll be doing around them.

This is the last newsletter of this term, so I'd like to wish you and your families a lovely Easter break.

Mrs George



Late Arrivals: An increasing number of children are coming into school late and via the office. School starts promptly at 9am, so please make sure you arrive in plenty of time.

Pick Up: If you have older children, please can you make sure they don't go over to the Reception area at pick up. There's often a few older siblings gathered round when Reception are being dismissed, which makes it difficult for the teachers when letting children out safely.

**Water Bottles:** Water bottles will be coming home with your children at the end of this term. Please remember to bring them in at the start of next term.





What could be more exciting for a child than coming face to face with the most complete Stegosaurus fossil in the world?

Next term, Navigators will get the chance to do just that on their trip to London's Natural History Museum on Friday 28th April.

They'll become palaeontologists for the day when they put together a massive 3D jigsaw stegosaurs and examine different parts of the dinosaur's anatomy to understand what they can tell us about Sophie the stegosaurus' lifestyle.





# Hurst Green School Association News...

Registered Charity number 1156814

**SAVE THE DATE:** Let's get quizzical! On Friday 14th July we are hosting our first ever school Quiz Night here in the school hall. We'll be sending out more details nearer the time but please do save the date—it should be a lot of fun!





**Mother's Day Shop:** We hope you all had a lovely Mother's Day. We really enjoyed running our Mother's Day pop-up shop this year and hope you all enjoyed the gifts your children picked out.

**Pizza Night:** Don't forget that Pizza and Cookie Kits are now available to order from Doughies for collection from school on Friday 31 March. The deadline for orders is **Saturday 25 March**. To order, visit: <a href="https://doughies.co.uk/products/hurst-rh8">https://doughies.co.uk/products/hurst-rh8</a>





























Monday 24 April is going to be a very exciting day at school as it's the day our Hatching Eggs arrive!



Last year we welcomed duck chicks Phoebe, Monica and Chandler into



Phoebe, Monica and Chandler into the world, and this year we will be welcoming back another clutch of eggs.



We will care for the eggs for one week during which time our children will be able to learn all about life cycles, nature and science as well has have the occasional cuddle once they have been born.























Year 1 have been continuing their imaginative work in Drama lessons this half-term, improvising stories using mime and movement, then putting their ideas into words.

Our favourite tale has been about building a Magic Green Submarine which flew to foreign lands and was captured by a giant octopus!

The children have worked with great enthusiasm and increasing confidence - and we have had some delightful storytelling.

Well done, Navigators!

Mrs. Gimblett

#### **Compost Bins**

Huge thanks to Year 1 dad Gareth Barleycorn for giving up his time to put together our new compost bins.



Not only will they help us recycle food scraps from our kitchen, but they'll also provide a fantastic learning resource for our children. Composting will give children first-hand learning about scientific processes that turn waste into plant fertiliser. Plus, children will love discovering all the little creatures that help make compost.

Our homemade compost will be used in our gardening area to help us grow some delicious fruit and veg.

#### **Little Scientists**

Children became little scientists earlier this week thanks to a visit from Sublime Science.

There was lots of laughter and screams (the good kind) coming from the hall and playground as children watched a bottle of lemonade and Mentos turn into a rocket and learned all about gravity through a leaf blower and some balls!

The visit formed part of our Science Week and has been a lot of fun.









# RHS Big Seed Sow Our gardening club will be taking part in the RHS Big Seed Sow running from 27 March—2 April. The RHS have sent us a lovely selection of seeds, which we are really looking forward to growing with our little gardeners.

#### Tennis Taster Sessions with Hurst Green Tennis Club

Hurst Green Tennis Club will be running 5 after-school sessions on Thursdays after Easter for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children. This will cost £25 for the half term. The first session will be on Thursday 27th April.

Tennis club was extremely popular last year so please contact the office asap if your child would like a space!

Priority will be given to children who are not already in coaching with Hurst Green Tennis Club.



#### **Year 2 Sports Stars!**

As part of our sports link with our local infant schools, Pioneers will be taking part in some PE multi-skills festivals over the coming months. Last week, 10 students went to St Mary's in Oxted to put their sports skills to the test. We were so proud of them!

# After School Clubs

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★ We are delighted to share with you our clubs for the Summer Term. These will commence ★ after the Easter holidays. All clubs run 3.15 – 4.15.

#### ★ Monday

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NEW! Science Club (run by Fizz Pop) - Y1 & Y2 only

£32 for 4 sessions - 17/4, 24/4, 15/5, 22/5

★ Please sign up on the website: https://fizzpopscience.co.uk/afterschoolbooking/...

There are limited spaces so please sign-up asap if your child would like to take part!

NEW! Athletics Club (run by Mini Athletics) - Reception, Y1 and Y2

£6.50/session—starts after half term for 6 weeks (first session 12th June)

Please sign up on the website: https://www.miniathletics.com/find-a-class/?q=rh8+0hy

#### Tuesday

Dance Fitness and Movement – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session

To sign up, please contact Jolene on 07894 715655

#### **Wednesday**

Taekwondo – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session

To sign up, please contact Coach Hachem on 07747 779717

NEW! Art Club - Reception, Y1 and Y2

★ £15/half term (run by Mrs Holliman and Mrs Sone)

To sign up, please contact the office. Limited places available!

#### **Thursday**

NEW! Tennis Club (run by Hurst Green Tennis Club) —Reception, Y1 and Y2

£25 for 5 sessions—starts 27th April

★ To sign up, please contact the office. Limited places available!

#### **Friday**

Gardening Club - Reception, Y1 and Y2

🚣 £5/half term

★ To sign up, please contact the office. Limited places available! Priority given to children who ★ have not taken part previously.

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# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Spring Term 2023	
Tues 28, Wed 29 & Thurs 30 March	Class trips to Oxted Library
Friday 31 March	Last day of Spring Term
Summer Term 2023	
Monday 17 April	BACK TO SCHOOL!
Monday 24 April	Incredible Eggs arrive!
Friday 28 April	Year 1 visit Natural History Museum
Monday 1 May	May Bank Holiday
Monday 8 May	Bank Holiday—King's Coronation
Wednesday 17 May	Class Photos
Thursday 25 May	New Parents' Welcome Evening
Monday 29 May—Friday 2 June	HALF TERM
Monday 5 June	Inset Day
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To enter, please email or post your submissions to:

Email: windmillmanor@barchester.com Post: 2 Fairviews - Off Holland Road, , Oxted, RH8 9BD
The closing date for entries is: Thursday 6th April 2023

#### Windmill Manor Care Home

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email croydon@fizzpopscience.co,uk



School: Hurst Green Infants

Day and Time: Wednesdays 1530-1630

Dates: 17/4, 24/4, 15/5, 22/5

4 Week Programme Cost: £32.

Our After School Programmes are designed to inspire our children towards gaining an interest in the Sciences. Our workshops are a mixture of exciting demonstrations and thought provoking hands-on experiments and tasks



# What's the Matter' . The Science

ATRAMATING SCIENCE

How amazing can the air around us be?
Find out as we Fly, Spin and Float objects
using the theories on AIRmazing Air!
Levitating Balls, Giant Smoke Circles and
Air Blasts in your face!

## TIQUID SCIENCE

Water we going to do here? It's going to be a little wet that's for sure.

From Tornados to Petrified Pepper!

#### THE DOD, BURBLE

This session is all about the Fizz and Pop!
We explore Bubbles - Catchable Bubbles,
Giant Bubbles, Rainbow Bubbles and
Smelly Bubbles. Plus make your own
Bubbling Sweet to take home!

#### WIND ON EARTH OF THAT?

Let's find out What On Earth Is That?

A mysterious powder that can drink a lot, paper that completely disappears and make your own liquid that thinks it's a solid?!

#### FEVERE TOO SCHOOL

Heat is the main theme of this fireball of a session!
By popular demand we have a small EXPLOSION!
Plus use your body temperature to make objects inflate and change colour.

#### HIN GRADUATION!

Hopefully we have opened your eyes to the world around us! You will be rewarded with a certificate and a special gift in this fun filled final session.

Terms and Conditions -Refunds can only be given for cancellations made seven days prior to programme commencing. Any cancellations not made within this period will be charged £5.00 administration fee. No reimbursements will be given for any child asked to leave the programme due to bad behaviour. Refunds can not be given for children missing sessions. Programmes may change without prior notice, however every effort is made to keep to workshops as those stated above.

# ONLINE SIGN UP ONLY

Visit our website...

# WWW.FIZZPOPSCIENCE.CO.UK

Click on the



at top right of web page



### SPONSORED DOG WALK

#### SUNDAY 23rd APRIL 10am to 2pm

Bring your four legged friends and join us for a walk to raise money for the care of our dogs

4 walks to choose from to suit all abilities BBQ and refreshments available Raffle and tombola Certificate and rosette for all dogs Registration fee £5 per dog

Please book in advance via our website or call 01959 572386 option 5

www.foalfarm.org.uk/events

Foal Farm, Jail Lane, Biggin Hill, TN16 3AX

Registered Charity Number 201654



#### Come and meet our resident animals during the Easter Holidays

Our educational tours are suitable for adults and children aged 5+
Tickets are £10 per person and can be booked online or via reception (pre-booking is essential)
All tours start at 1.30pm and last for approx. 75 minutes

www.foalfarm.org.uk/events 01959 572386 (option 5)

Join in our Egg Hunt to win a chocolate treat - £3 per person payable on the day

Wednesday 5th April Thursday 6th April Friday 7th April

Wednesday 12th April Thursday 13th April Friday 14th April

Foal Farm Animal Rescue
Jail Lane, Biggin Hill. TN16 3AX
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# Hurst Green Tennis Club



£14.50 members E16.50 non members Sports

Tuesday 11 to Friday 14 April 2023 9,30am to 12,30pm 5-18

Camp

Book per day or full week

# activities:

- ✓ TENNIS
- ✓ FOOTBALL
- ✓ SWEDISH HANDBALL
- ✓ TENNIS ROUNDERS
- MINI GAMES

# to book:

hurstgreentc@gmail.com



hurstgreentennisclub.co.uk



Hurst Green Tennis Club, Mill Lane, Hurst Green RH8 9DF

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## PUT THE VOLUNTEER INTO YOUR CV

# Hurst Green Scout Group

Scouting offers fun challenges and everyday adventure to 400,000 boys and girls in the UK.

But it's also about fun and friendships for adults too!

We run a thriving group for Scouts (Tuesday evenings, aged 10-14) and Cubs (Wednesday evenings, aged 8-10) from our Scout Hut at Holland Sports Ground, Mill Lane, Hurst Green.

We would love to make the same provision for younger children in Hurst Green by reestablishing our **Beaver Colony**.

The **Beaver Colony** is the first and youngest section of the Scout Group. **Beaver Scouts** are young people aged between 6 and 8 years old.

Can you help out? If you are a parent or any other local adult with some time to give, please do ask about helping us out.

There's no better time to get involved.

Volunteering with us is easy, fun and flexible — how much time you give is completely up to you.

# Interested in joining us?

Stephen Helm - Hurst Green Scouts Exec Committee Chair -sjwhelm@gmail.com



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Since lockdown eased, we have been unable to re-start our **Beaver Colony** due to a lack of leaders.

We are now actively looking to reestablish our **Beaver Colony** for local 6-8 year olds and would be interested to hear from you if you can help.

#### HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

- Volunteers are fully supported by a well established Leadership team
- Improve your CV and put your skills to good use
- Try new things and gain qualifications
- Become an active member of your community
- See your son or daughter in a different environment
- Fast track your child into the Scout Group



Email: office@hurstgreenschool.org Website: www.hurstgreenschool.org Phone: 01883 712171

Emergency information regarding the school will be announced on Heart Radio 102.7FM and the school website



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- Open to members and non members
- Family friendly community tennis club based in Mill Lane Recreation Ground

For more details email hurstgreentc@gmail.com





hurstgreentennisclub.co.uk



