



## Horsmonden Primary School

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Dear Parents,

I'm pleased that I haven't got to send you so much this week. My apologies for the amount of paper that seems to come home some Fridays; we really do try to restrict things to a minimum whilst making sure you are fully informed. This week we have been able to reduce our production resources by half by only sending home newsletters on paper with the eldest child or for those not on the E-letter list. Across an academic year, this will save us about 20,000 copies and, unless you want to, doesn't involve you in printing costs. If you aren't yet on board for the electronic letter, please consider signing up and help us to use resources where they are most needed.

Today hasn't been warm, dry and sunny, but it has been active with the annual **Ken Mills Challenge Day** for junior children. Throughout the day, children have been engaged in a range of sporting activities, supported by the Secondary Sports Leaders from Mascalls School, in the first House Trophy of the academic year. Photographs are on the screen in the main entrance hall.

### *From the Kindergarten:*

"Horsmonden Kindergarten is looking to recruit **one administrator** and **one classroom assistant** both on a part-time basis. Our administrator is leaving us on 19th December and we are looking for somebody to take on this very important position at the Kindergarten. The hours are approx. 8-10 hours per week and the suitable candidate would be working on a self-employed basis. We are also seeking a classroom assistant to work on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8.45am - 12.15pm. If you are interested, please contact Victoria Frampton on 01892 724517 or 07939 088616"

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October gives you the opportunity to have a great evening among the parents in our **Wine and Wisdom** evening. For just £7.50 each, you get a ploughman's supper and a good night out along with the chance to see if the teachers will be beaten this year! We have to admit that the absence of Mr Bristow on the team will have a significant impact, but if you're up for the challenge then please see details of how to get involved on the posters displayed around the school.

Are you set for **Harvest Festival Day**? Remember to check last week's newsletter for the full details of what your child will need and feel free to join us in the morning for the assembly or in the afternoon for the village walk. Nobody has yet volunteered for bag lady duties in the morning – if you're available, please assist. It will mean taking the goods from the display and distributing them among the decorated boxes ready for the afternoon. We also don't yet have any bales of hay or straw – can you help? Please contact us without delay if you can.

And finally... the infants had a great afternoon of **performing arts** on Wednesday with some lively, uninhibited input from the West Kent College students. Some of the photos have been displayed on the entrance hall computer, which we'll update as the weeks go by. Keep your eyes on the screen as events and activities will be recorded for you to view on a more regular basis.

Yours sincerely,

Malcolm E. Hayes  
Headmaster

