



HILL HOUSE
INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Small School Scoop



Dear Parents,

Today we said farewell to Miss Hakkens who is off to start her maternity leave. We would like to say a huge thank you to her for being a great teacher and for making learning so much fun. We hope she manages to get some rest before the baby puts in an appearance and we look forward to meeting Baby Hakkens soon!

It was lovely to see so many friends and family at our final swimming awards Assembly this week. We are very proud of the progress the children have made in their swimming and their growing confidence in the water. Once again, thanks to Mr Highton for all of his hard work teaching them how to swim.

This week we have embraced Valentines day by making Valentine's cupcakes with Mr Ed, along with cards and very sparkly necklaces. The children have also enjoyed acting out the story of 'Who sank the boat?', designing their own boats and writing new endings for the story. We have explored objects that float and sink and built large boats outside.

Thank you very much for your generous donations for Muffin Day today. Small School raised £227 for the charity Winston's Wish which supports children and families who are coping with bereavements. The children all looked fabulous in their own clothes!

Next term we are holding our Small School parents' evening on 12 March from 5-7pm. You will be able to sign up for a time slot to meet with your child's teacher. Mr Highton, Mr Hunter, Mme Chouin and Miss Nuti will also be available to talk to about your child's progress in their subject.

This week a special mention goes to our merit children: Nour (S1), Joshua (S2), Samy (S3), Joshua (S4), Constantino (S5) and Leonardo (S6). They all received a merit in last week's Small School assembly for being good role models and persevering with their learning. **Please make sure you return the merit badge to school at the end of your child's week as merit.**

We hope you have an enjoyable holiday.

The Small School Team

Important dates:

Week beginning 25 February

Show and Tell this week

Week beginning 11 March

Book Fair at Small School

Tuesday 12 March

Small School Parents' Evening



What we will learn next week:

Phonics

We will be learning:
ear, air, ure

Mathematics

We will be learning to
count on and back
from a given number.

Topic

Our new topic is
'Growing' and we
shall be reading
'Jack and the
Beanstalk'.

French

The children will learn about the weather in French. They will become familiar with the question:
Quel temps fait-il aujourd'hui? Il pleut, il fait froid, il fait chaud, il y a du soleil...

Health and Hygiene

We will be learning about where food comes from and start growing our own food. Please send in any empty kitchen rolls you have for planting – thank you!

Swimming

In Swimming the children will be working on our
push and glide and poolside jumps.

Gym

In Gym we will be exploring moving in different
ways and negotiating space.

Home Learning

Please continue to build words with the phonemes your child has been learning in phonics.
Encourage the children to spell out the words and write them down.
Please make sure you write in your child's reading book when you read with them.

What are we eating next week?



Healthy Early Years Partnership
Bronze Award

	Morning Break	Lunch
Monday	Wholemeal bread with butter and cheddar cheese Fruit	Pasta with homemade basil pesto, peas, parmesan Yoghurts.
Tuesday	Oatcakes with cheddar cheese Fruit	Cod fillet fish fingers, rice, tenderstem broccoli Bananas
Wednesday	Homemade houmous, breadsticks and carrots	Turkish style chicken, harissa couscous, fine green beans Apples
Thursday	Rice cakes with cream cheese	Homemade Pizza Dried fruits
Friday	Homemade flapjacks with coconut Fruit	<i>Friday Club</i> Slow cooked BBQ beef tacos, salad, cheese

Please remember to encourage good table manners at home to ensure a calm and enjoyable environment for lunches at school