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Horsington School News

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

WOW, what a gorgeous sunny week to return to school upon!

Firstly, I hope that you have all had a wonderful summer break, it has been great to see the children settling into their classes, laughing with friends, and enjoying their new learning.

A special welcome to the new parents and children joining us across the school, and the reception children starting their learning journey in Water class. We are so impressed with how they are already settling into school life.

I would also like to welcome Mrs Baker and Mrs Upperton who are joining the Horsington team.

Newsletters will be sent on a fortnightly basis, however I shall be sending another one next week with more details of the term ahead.

Finally, the staff and I were overwhelmed by the kind and thoughtful cards and gifts we received at the end of the summer term, so very much appreciated, so thank you.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, I'm sure there will be some tired children!

Warmest wishes,

Kelly Barge 😊



September

Open Afternoon ~ Friday 22nd September ~ 2.00 - 3.30pm ~ New Reception Starters 2024

October

Harvest Celebration ~ Thursday 12th October ~ 2.45 – 3.30pm ~ St Marys Church

Flu Vaccinations ~ Tuesday 17th October

INSET day ~ Friday 20th October Half term

November

Open Morning ~ Wedensady 8th November 11.00 ~ 12.30 ~ New Reception Starters 2024

Parents Evening ~Wednesday 15th November 4 — 6.30pm ~ Thursday 16th November 4 — 5.30pm

Attendance w/c 05.09.22

Water Class 100%

Air Class 100%

Fire Class 97.7%

Earth Class 86.1 %

Whole School 96.14%

After School Clubs

I am hoping that everyone will have received the fliers of a KS1 Multi sports club on a Monday, Forest School ~ Spinney on a Tuesday and Football club on a Wednesday. These clubs will all start next week, so if you have signed your child up, they need come to school with appropriate kit. Next week there will be a list of other clubs including ~ choir, Art, Taskmaster, recorders etc.. that shall be happening at lunchtimes and after school.



The Wild Ones

After school Forest School club
At Horsington Church School BA8 0BW

Tuesdays 3.30 - 5pm term time. Drink and snack provided. £12.50 per session paid in term blocks.

To book contact Kate 07973 345513 www.thewildonesforestschool.com

Please sign up!





Wrap Around Care



For anyone requiring early morning 'wrap around care' our Breakfast Club runs from Monday ~ Friday 7.50 - 8.50am. The children can be dropped at the main front door of the school, being greeted in the school hall by Mrs Wiscombe. Breakfast of cereals, and toast are served from 7.50 ~8.15, should your child require any.

The club will be charged at £3.00 per session and payments should be made via ParentPay.

You do not have to commit to the same session each week and can vary the days to suit your needs and requirements, but we do ask that ALL sessions are booked in advance, thus enabling us to monitor attendance and supervision. However, booking can be made the night before or that morning.

There have been some questions regarding after school 'Wrap around Care', unfortunately we have had some barriers regarding this which we are trying to think about, so please bear with us.

Parking - Drop Off

As we are all aware the morning Drop Off and afternoon collection times can be busy, so please be mindful of children and patient when waiting for cars to move on.

Remember older children can be dropped by the first gate and walk into school by themselves.

Please only use the disabled spaces if you require them, as we do have families that need the spaces. Please don't park directly outside the school, use the car park if you are vacating your car.

Your child can use either of the side gates to enter school, rather than walking down the road and facing the oncoming traffic.



When collecting your child, it would be great if you could also wait nearer to your child's classroom. Over the summer a new gate was fitted onto the Water class path, so Year 1 parents need to stand on the playground by the wall, so the children can see them. Please don't stand on the pathway. Year 1 children will leave their classroom at 3.25pm so they can find their parents a little easier without the congestion!



Next week ...



I'm hoping the children have come home talking about school and all the learning taking place. Across the school the classes have all been investigating 'Zones of Regulation' and what this looks and feels like. Possibly telling you they feel 'blue, or yellow today.'

Next week I will be sending some information out to you regarding this and how this will be used within school and our new Relationship and Behaviour Policy.

Next week you will also receive the new 'Communication Strategy' from the school Governors.



Collective Worship

Roots & Fruits

A tree is known by its fruit ~ Mathew 12.33

Roots and Fruits is used for our weekly Christian collective worship. It is rooted in Bible teaching and the twelve Christian values that represent the fruit that grows, as the teaching is lived out in our everyday lives.

Each half term focuses on one of these themes which links with the season of the Church year and our school values.

This half term the children will be thinking about 'Thankfulness' and our school value 'Kindness.'