



Hundon Community Primary School
Newsletter
Friday 5th January 2018



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Head Teacher's Awards
WATCH THIS SPACE!!

A note from Mrs Fitzgerald...

Welcome back to Hundon in 2018! Goodness me, the last two weeks have flown by and here we are with lots of fantastic learning and events planned for our children to participate in and enjoy!

A huge thank you to all the children and parents for your kind cards and gifts ~ we are all very appreciative of your generosity and thoughtfulness.

We welcome Mr Simpson to the school team who is working with Oak Class whilst Mrs Thompson is on her maternity leave.

Don't forget our Parent Forum meeting next week before the Family Celebration Assembly and I look forward to seeing you all over the coming days and weeks.

Warmest regards, Mrs Fitzgerald

We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Baby Thompson, better known as Rosie Annabel Thompson who arrived just before the 'big day' of the 25th. Both mother and baby are doing well!



Breakfast and After-School Clubs

- Breakfast Club will resume on Tuesday 9th January.
- Guitar Club will start back on Thursday 11th January.
- Boxercise Club starts Thursday 11th January.
- Homework Club will commence on Monday 8th January.

Dinner Money

School dinner money for the first half of the spring term is £62.10. Please make cheques payable to SCC Hundon CP School.
All dinner money should be handed to your child's teacher in a named envelope.

SEVERE WEATHER

Every effort will be made to keep the school open in severe weather. The school would only close if it is no longer safe for staff and pupils to travel to school and be on site.

We recognise that it is important for our school remains open so parents are able to work and pupils can continue to learn. Therefore, we will make every effort to prepare for severe weather.

Information about school closure will be posted:

- **On local radio**
- **Via the Suffolk County Council website: <http://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk/>**
- **Via our Facebook page**
- **On ParentMail**

Is your child entitled to Free School Meals?

Applying for free school meals is simple. If eligible, your child could be eating a hot school meal within days. The school benefits financially from every child who receives free school meals so even if you choose not to take the hot meals register please!! If you think you might be eligible or want to find out more please enquire at the School Office.

ATTENDANCE

At Hundon Community Primary School we aim to provide the very best educational experiences and secure the highest educational standards for every pupil who comes here. We seek to ensure the National Curriculum is delivered to all children, regardless of social background, race, gender or differences in ability. All our pupils are entitled to the development of knowledge, understanding, skills and attitudes, without exception.

We do this in partnership and collaboration with yourselves and without your vital support the positive progress and significant achievement of our pupils, your children, would be much reduced.

Please help us by **supporting your child's learning and progress** by ensuring, as much as is physically possible, that **non-urgent appointments**, for example, dentist, optician, doctors are **arranged outside school hours**.

Attendance and punctuality are central to ensuring all pupils can fulfil their potential – pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education.

Key Stage Two Swimming

Swimming lessons at Haverhill Leisure Centre start this coming Tuesday 9th January for Years 3, 4 and 5. Please ensure the children have their kits with them including swim hats for each Tuesday, for the whole spring term. Leisure centre guidelines are attached for your information.

Verrucas

Please be aware if your child has a verucca they need to wear slipper socks for indoor PE sessions. Slipper socks have the necessary grip to avoid slipping and also help to ensure the infection is not passed on. Unfortunately plimsolls and trainers are not practical for indoor PE activities as these involve floor and mat work and can cause injury. Many thanks.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

With the new spring term ahead, just a quick reminder about our school uniform policy.

Our Uniform policy is as follows:-

- Red sweatshirt, jumper, fleece or cardigan.
- Grey or black trousers, skirts or shorts, or dresses.
- Red or white school polo shirt.
- Red checked summer dress.
- Shoes (NOT TRAINERS)
- Sun hats in summer

P.E.

Indoor P.E.

- Black shorts with elasticated waist (no zips)
- White P.E. Plain T shirt (no buttons or zips)

Please note most P.E. lessons are undertaken in bare feet, therefore alternative footwear is not necessary.

Outdoor P.E.

- Track suit bottom and tops - plain.
- Trainers, which are not worn indoors.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



(In response to parent feedback I have tried to include more dates in good time ~ I hope this proves helpful! Mrs F ☺)

JANUARY ~ SPRING TERM

Friday 5th January ~ Family Celebration Only ~ New Year, Fresh Start Theme

Friday 12th January ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Hawthorn Class

Friday 19th January ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Oak Class

Friday 26th January ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Willow Class

Friday 2nd February ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Acorn Class

Friday 9th February ~ Family Celebration Only

HALF-TERM

Friday 23rd February ~ Family Celebration Only

Thursday 1st March ~ World Book Day ~ Story Character Fancy Dress!

We will be dressing up as our favourite character in a book and love you to join us for an afternoon of reading activities from 2pm.

Find out more at www.worldbookday.com



Friday 2nd March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Hawthorn Class

Friday 9th March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Oak Class

Friday 16th March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Willow Class

Friday 23rd March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Acorn Class

*Thursday 29th March ~ **TERM ENDS***

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

This certificate is in recognition of the fundraising achieved by

***Hundon Community
Primary School***

Raising a total of

£73.51

**In support of the
Suffolk Poppy Appeal**

Signed

Mandi Cox-Osborne

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Suffolk Community Fundraiser
The Royal British Legion
Poppy Appeal



Shoulder to shoulder
with all who serve



Abbeycroft Leisure School Swimming Programme

Guidelines for Parents

These guidelines have been issued by Abbeycroft Leisure for the parents and carers of children who take part in the school swimming programme. The document is incorporated into the schools swimming code of safe practice and is written in accordance of ASA guidelines.

The guidelines will also clarify certain health and safety guidelines within the code of practice which all children on the schools swimming programme must adhere to at all times.

Swimwear

- **For Girls**, a one piece swimsuit or tankini (shorts and cropped top) must be worn. Bikini's will not be permitted under any circumstances.
- **For Boys**, Lycra Swimming trunks or Lycra Shorts must be worn.
- Swimming caps must be worn at all times.

- In the interest of hygiene, Abbeycroft Leisure will not lend swimwear.
- When involved in water safety activities, swimmers may be asked to wear shorts and t-shirt.

Goggles

- Goggles should only be worn by children who suffer excessively from the effects of chemicals used in the pool.
- During the short periods of time that pupils are in the water, it should not be necessary for goggles to be worn. Goggles are usually worn by swimmers who spend long periods training in the water.
- Visibility can be impaired when using goggles.
- When goggles are used they should not be made of glass or breakable plastic. Goggles must be the 'anti-chlorine' type and not masks, as used in snorkelling.
- Pupils should be taught how to put on and remove goggles safely before attending school swimming lessons. Please ensure that the goggles fit correctly.
- **When teaching diving and the water safety section of the syllabus, goggles will not be permitted. PTO.**

N.B Written consent must be given by parents for their child to use goggles in swimming lessons. Please ask your child's teacher for a consent form.

Jewellery

- All jewellery must be removed prior to swimming lessons. This includes earrings, bracelets, anklets, necklaces and chains.
- If ears have recently been pierced then the taping of the ear lobe will be permitted short term.

Behaviour

- All swimmers must adhere to Haverhill Leisure Centre regulations as advised by the swimming teacher and the school teacher.
- If a child's behaviour becomes unacceptable whilst in a swimming lesson they will be removed from the water and the school teacher will be informed.

- If the situation continues then a child may be removed from the lesson by a swimming teacher. The duty manager and head teacher will also be informed.

Religious and cultural considerations

All religious and cultural considerations will be respected at all times, however the safety of the individual swimmer will remain paramount. In certain circumstances, alternative swimwear will be allowed but only if these specific guidelines are followed:

- Clothing must be in the form of tight fitting leggings and tight fitting top that does not fall below the hip line (baggy or loose fitting clothing will not be permitted)
- Recognised swimwear **must be worn underneath**, as clothing can become transparent and cling to the body.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss any of the above points further then please speak with either your child's school teacher or Abbeycroft Leisure personnel at Haverhill Leisure Centre.

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