



Hundon Community Primary School
Newsletter
Friday 26th January 2018

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Link to our website is www.hundon.suffolk.sch.uk



Head Teacher's Awards

Acorn Class ~ Martha Burnett

Willow Class ~ Ian Sharpe

Oak Class ~ Jack Benton-Smith, Ashley Marshall and Perdy Jones

Hawthorn Class ~ Lauren Smith

A little note from Mrs Fitzgerald...

The end of January is fast approaching ~ I do hope February brings some blue sky and sunshine! Another week of super learning here at Hundon; Acorn Class amazed me with their songs, rhymes and chants in Maths and the quality of work being developed in English across the school is terrific. Willow Class really impressed me with their role play skills too!

Warm regards, Mrs Fitzgerald

INTERNET AND ONLINE SAFETY REMINDER

We know it can sometimes be challenging to keep up to speed with what our children and young people are doing online. Frequently we can feel they have better technical skills than us! However, children and young people do need support and guidance when it comes to using the internet positively and safely.

Please take time to ensure you have parental controls in place on phones, tablets, laptops and games consoles and take time to check your child's online activity in order to ensure the content they are accessing is age-appropriate and suitable. Unsuitable content such as films and games with certifications of 15 and 18 are frequently a few clicks away and can lead to sleepless nights. If in doubt please speak to a member of staff who will be happy to advise and may be able to offer some technical advice and support.

Check out <http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers> which contains a wealth of information, including guidance on parental settings, information on gaming, downloading, social networking as well as how to start conversations and safe activities for the children to play and enjoy.

SAFETY CONCERNS REGARDING PARKING

I am sure parents will be aware of safety concerns regarding parking around the school site. As well as the volume of traffic at peak times, such as the start and end of the school day, we are particularly worried about children crossing between parked cars.

We are looking into possible solutions and in the meantime politely ask parents and carers to consider taking advantage of the parking available at the village hall or the Rose & Crown and take a short walk to the school site.

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!!

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS ~ YEARS 1 to 6

In response to parent feedback we have moved these to be later in the term and increased the 'sign up' time. Therefore these will take place on Tuesday 27th February with appointments available from 1:15pm. Parents will need to sign up for appointments on their child's 'sign up' sheet and these will be available in the School Office on clipboards from Monday 5th February.

As has previously been the case appointments are 10 minutes in length and focus on your child's learning and progress since the start of the year. For other queries and concerns please speak with the Class Teacher and, if necessary, arrange a separate appointment.

PTA News

The recent sale of school tea-towels raised over £250.00 ~ many thanks to those who helped with organising this fundraiser as well as made a purchase.

If you would be interested in placing a further order for these please speak with a member of the PTA.



DON'T MISS OUR NEXT PTA EVENT ~ FILM NIGHT

Wednesday 7th February ~ School Hall ~ 3.20pm - 5.20pm

Selected Film: 'SING'

Tickets £3 (max £6 per family) ~ includes popcorn & a drink

MDSA VACANCIES (Relief)

Our Midday Supervisory Assistants (MDSAs) do a sterling job ~ helping the children in the dinner hall as well as supervising on the playground and introducing, leading and playing group games.



If you would like to join our list of relief MDSAs we would love to hear from you. An induction and training will be provided. We would then call you if we had a staff absence to check your availability ~ there would be no obligation to come in and the job would be on a casual basis.

If this is something you are interested in this job please contact the School Office for more information. Please be aware that any adult working or volunteering in school is required to have a criminal records check and a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) in place before they can be employed.

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 that 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**

Term Dates for the Academic Year 2017-2018

Spring Half Term

Begins 12 February 2018 Ends 16 February 2018

Spring Easter Break

Begins 30 March 2018 Ends 13 April 2018

Summer Term 2018

Begins 16 April 2018 Ends 24 July 2018

PD DAYS 16 APRIL & 25 MAY

Summer Half Term

Begins 28 May 2018 Ends 1 June 2018

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



SPRING TERM

Friday 26th January ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Willow Class

Friday 2nd February ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Acorn Class

Wednesday 7th February ~ 3.20pm until 5.20pm ~ Film Night ~ SING!

Monday 5th February ~ 'Sign Up' sheets for Parent Consultation Appointments available

Friday 9th February ~ Family Celebration Only

HALF-TERM

Friday 23rd February ~ Family Celebration Only

TUESDAY 27th February ~ Parent Consultation Meetings

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

Monday 26th March ~ After-School Craft & Café Event at the Village Hall

(Provisional date, further details to follow)

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

PRESTIGE SPORTS



FOOTBALL CAMPS

- ☆ Half Term 13th, 14th, 15th of Feb 2018
- ☆ @ The New Croft, Haverhill, CB9 0BW
- ☆ 9.30am-5.30pm (8.45 drop off available for FREE)
- ☆ 5-14 Year Olds, All abilities welcome

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DAY, £20 FOR
2 SIBLINGS**



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DANCE & GYMNASTICS ACTIVITY DAYS

- ☆ Half Term 12th & 13th of Feb 2018
- ☆ @ Haverhill Gymnastics Club, CB9 8PR
- ☆ 10am-3pm
- ☆ 5-14 Year Olds, All abilities welcome



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TWILIGHT AT THE MUSEUMS

National Heritage Centre, Palace House Newmarket
13th February, 4.30pm – 7.30pm

FREE!



A night of exploration for families

Join us for a family fun evening – make sure you bring a torch to uncover the mysteries then gallop into the night on our racehorse simulator!

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