



Hundon Community Primary School  
Newsletter  
Friday 9th February 2018

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Head Teacher's Awards

Acorn Class ~ Tilly Gilberg  
Willow Class ~ Isaac Rosewell and Milo Perrett  
Oak Class ~ Thomas Jeggo  
Hawthorn Class ~ Megan Cooper and Jessica White

A little note from Mrs Fitzgerald...

How can it be the end of the first half of the Spring Term already? What a lot the children have achieved in a short space of time!

We are very much looking ahead, planning exciting learning opportunities for the rest of the term, (please check out the dates for your diary,) and I just wanted to say a big thank you to parents and carers for their support in recent months and particularly of late with regards my appointment to the permanent position. I am really excited to be working with you all to ensure all our children are making good or better progress and are happy, safe and confident here at Hundon.

Have a lovely half-term,  
Warm regards, Mrs Fitzgerald

**PROPERTY UPDATE**

I have spoken to lots of you in recent months about all manner of topics with the state of the perimeter wall a frequent theme and I wanted to provide you with an update. We have established there is no conservation order or listing related to the outer wall and the condition survey we requested from Suffolk County Council carried out recently identifies that the wall is in poor condition but it is not considered imminently dangerous. Therefore, as is our responsibility, we are looking into the possibilities available which include repairs through to the option of a full replacement, along with the associated implications related to planning, cost and so on. We hope to have more details very soon and will endeavour to share information in due course.

## **SAFER INTERNET DAY**

This year our work linked to Safer Internet Day has focused very much on **communication and maintaining well-being and healthy relationships** in relation to this.

With this and previously shared information regarding internet and online safety in mind please can parents and carers be aware of our guidance and reinforce these messages at home.

When **communicating online, via text and social media** to be a good friend and communicator we should:

- ✓ **Support others**

We all have different things that we are interested in, or make us laugh, and we all find different things upset us, or make us angry. Sometimes when we are online it's hard to tell what will upset someone and what will make them laugh.

- ✓ **Be kind and respectful**

When we communicate using the internet we can't be sure if other people will always understand what we mean, we can't always use body language or facial expressions and you can't express tone of voice in a message.

- ✓ **Check before you share**

Permission for sharing photographs should always be sought.

- ✓ **Share positivity**

Different people will find different things upsetting, mean, funny or interesting.

- ✓ **Ask for help**

If in doubt ask an adult for advice.

Don't forget to 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.

### **START OF THE SCHOOL DAY PARENT /CARER REMINDER**

**With the exception of Acorn Class please can parents support our smooth start to learning for all classes by making use of the noticeboard near the front of school for messages or speak with office colleagues rather than disturb teachers and children in classrooms ~ many thanks for your cooperation and support with this matter.**

### **Hawthorn Class Shirt Appeal**

Hawthorn Class are in need of painting shirts to protect their clothes. If anyone has any old oversized shirts they would be willing to donate they would be very much appreciated ~ many thanks!

## PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS ~ YEARS 1 to 6

These will take place on Tuesday 27th February with appointments available from 1:15pm. The 'sign up' sheets are currently on clipboards near the School Office.

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.

### School Dinner Money ~ Spring Term 2

School dinners for the second half of this term will cost a total of £69.00. This is £2.30 per day for a total of 30 school days.

Please remember that dinner money should always be paid in advance or on the day the lunch is taken and handed to the Class Teacher in a sealed, named envelope. Cheques should be made payable to "SCC Hundon C P School" please.

### **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!!**

### **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

*Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February ~ 'Sign Up' sheets for Parent Consultation Appointments available*

*Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February ~ Family Celebration Only*

## **HALF-TERM**

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February ~ Family Celebration Only*

**TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> February ~ Parent Consultation Meetings**

*Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.worldbookday.com)*

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March ~ Year 6 Parent Session ~ National Curriculum Test Preparation ~ 3.30pm**

*Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Hawthorn Class*

*Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Oak Class*

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March ~ SCIENCE WEEK**

*The whole school will be involved in Science learning across the week which includes the chance to participate in an additional 'Mad Science Day' ~ see separate letter regarding this 'optional extra'*

*Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Willow Class*

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March ~ Family Celebration Assembly with Acorn Class*

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March ~ Oak Class Visit to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March ~ After-School Craft & Café Event at the Village Hall**

*(Provisional date, further details to follow)*

*Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March ~ Easter Service at All Saints Church with Reverend Mitchell*

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March ~ *SPRING TERM ENDS***

## SUMMER TERM

**~ Tuesday 17th April 2018 ~**

**Children Return to School**

*Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April ~ Acorn and Willow Class Zoo Trip*

**Month of May ~ Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 6 National Curriculum Tests Week**

*Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 3 pupils from Oak Class to visit Thurlow Estate*