



Hundon Community Primary School Newsletter

Friday 19th July, 2024



Laying the foundations for a bright future

Website link: www.htpfederation.co.uk

~ Good Luck to Our Year 6 Leavers ~

Emily George Indi Abbie Luke Elise
Florrie Xavier Henley Melody Stanley

The Hundon and Federation Family are going to miss you all!

A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Gosh, the end of term is upon us! The year certainly feels like it has whizzed by at a rapid rate! An enormous thank you goes to the amazing Federation Team who strive to provide the very best education and just the right amount of 'TLC' for each and every child who attends here at Hundon as well as at our sister school, Thurlow - they are all fantastic!

A huge thank you goes to all of you too, we do our utmost to get it right and we are very grateful for the positive support and constructive feedback we receive from the overwhelming majority of parents and carers which we will use to support our efforts in the coming academic year.

Fond farewells go to Miss Allin and Miss Jeffs as they embark on new ventures as well as all our Year 6's - we know they are going to wow their new schools!

We are sure, like us, everyone is ready for the summer holiday - enjoy the family time and we shall look forward to seeing most of you on Wednesday 4th September!

Have a lovely summer everyone!

Warmest regards, Mrs FitzGerald

SCHOOL MEALS - AUTUMN TERM 2024 - FIRST HALF

The cost of a school meal in Years 3 to 6 is £2.60 (a week is £13.00.) **School meals MUST be paid for in advance.** Payment is required online where a minimum of five meals must be purchased at any one time. The cost of the first half of the Autumn term is £98.80. Here is the link for payment: [Pay for school meals - Suffolk County Council](#)

A message from our Governing Board:

The Governors are pleased to share a detailed summary of the annual parents' survey. We were delighted with the significant increase in parent/carer responses to the survey this year, with almost half of all parents/carers sharing their views! We'd love to hear from even more of the families next year.

With the increased responses, we are confident the survey has given us an even greater insight into the school experience. In both Hundon and Thurlow, the close-knit school communities and excellent supportive staff have once again been highlighted on multiple occasions and we'd like to thank all of the staff for their hard work and dedication.

We were also very interested to learn more about development opportunities and each suggestion will now be carefully considered and *where possible* addressed in the new school year.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed!

SUMMER TERM 2024

(Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July - Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Friday 19th July - LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM

AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday 2nd September - PD DAY

Tuesday 3rd September - PD DAY

Wednesday 4th September - FIRST DAY OF THE AUTUMN TERM FOR THE CHILDREN

Friday 13th September - Roald Dahl Day

Monday 18th September - 'Early Reading in Reception - Introduction to Phonics'

3:20pm to 4pm - Cherry Class with Mrs Copping

Tuesday 19th September to Thursday 21st September

- 'Meet the Teacher' Sessions -

Tuesday 19th September - 3:20pm to 4pm - Willow Class with Mrs Thompson

Wednesday 20th September - 3:20pm to 4pm - Oak Class with Miss Blackwell

Thursday 21st September - 3:20pm to 4pm - Hawthorn Class with Mrs Wiffen

Friday 20th September - Oak Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm

Parents, carers & significant others of children in Oak Class are invited.

Friday 27th September - Cake Sale after-school in support of Macmillan

Thursday 3rd October - National Poetry Day

There will be lots of poetry-focused learning across the school today.

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AUTUMN TERM 2024 continued...

Friday 4th October ~ Parent 'share' session

At 2:15pm in the afternoon, we are hosting 'share' sessions and parents and carers are invited to attend. Join your child and share their learning linked to yesterday's National Poetry Day.

Thursday 10th October ~ World Mental Health Day

Friday 11th October ~ Hawthorn Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm

Parents, carers & significant others of children in Hawthorn Class are invited.

Friday 18th October ~ Willow Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm

Parents, carers & significant others of children in Hawthorn Class are invited.

Thursday 24th October ~ HARVEST SERVICE at our church, All Saint, Hundon

FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER ~ END OF HALF-TERM

HALF-TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 28th October ~ Friday 1st November

For your information....

With the changes to School Attendance coming into force from 19th August which includes higher fine costs and the Department for Education's (DfE) stance that a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation is not considered to be an exceptional circumstance and I wanted to take the opportunity to ensure there is no confusion or misunderstanding surrounding this.

As is the case for all schools we are obligated to follow the statutory guidance and regulations laid down by the DfE and in turn, the Local Authority, which also includes directives for areas such as attendance. To be clear, the fines are not received by schools and our attendance figures are closely scrutinised by the Local Authority as well as other professional bodies such as Ofsted. It is in our own best interests that all our children are at school on time and attend regularly, in order that they can take full advantage of the very best educational experiences and highest educational standards we are constantly striving to provide.

We do not want there to be any misunderstandings regarding this, or any other matter. **If you have any concerns, then please contact the school and if we can help, we will.** For matters pertinent to your child, their Class Teacher is obviously the 'first port of call'. This helps us to support you and your child/ren effectively and ensures our school is a safe place for all members of our community.