

Hundon Community Primary School Newsletter Friday 10th January, 2025



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A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...



Welcome back everybody!! Here we are in 2025 and the spring term ~ a rather chilly spring term I must say! We all need those warm coats, hats and gloves at the moment!

Firstly, a huge thank you to all the children and parents for your lovely Christmas cards and gifts ~ we very much appreciate your kindness and generosity!!

These first few days have literally flown by! The children are settling back into school well and returning to routines with ease. They are also enjoying opportunities to catch-up with their friends, share holiday news, and festive stories.

We are very excited about our fabulous learning themes for this term, which prioritise knowledge and skills within the humanities subjects particularly. Cherry Class are undertaking the historybased theme 'LONG AGO' and Willow Class will be exploring the history related theme 'MAGNIFICENT MONARCHS.'

Oak Class will be embarking on their theme '1066' which also has a history focus whilst Hawthorn Class are exploring 'FROZEN KINGDOMS'.

You will find more information about what your child is learning in their class newsletter which their Class Teacher will be sending home shortly.

We all hope you all had the best time possible over the winter holiday. The team and I are very much looking forward to working with you again this term ©

My best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

Like many of you I am sure, I was saddened and disappointed to read about the troubles the football club in Hundon is having at the moment. I'd like to believe this is not something any of our pupils, current or previous, would be involved in, please talk to your children about this in case they know anything about the matter. We are so fortunate in Hundon to have access to so many amazing community facilities, it would be awful if this changed.

ON BEHALF OF HUNDON FOOTBALL CLUB

Unfortunately, over the Christmas period there has been incidents of vandalism to the Changing Rooms. This is very disappointing and dangerous, an external electrical socket has been pulled off the wall and boards broken, there is also a continuous issue with stones being thrown onto the pitch.

The club would be grateful if villagers who see anyone damaging the facilities or know who is responsible they report it to the club or the Parish Council.

Thank You.

SCHOOL MEALS ~ SPRING 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 Spring term is £75.40. Here is the link for payment: <u>Pay for school meals - Suffolk County Council</u>

MORNING SPORTS CLUB AND AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB

Morning Sports Club has resumed. These sessions start from 8am and cost a nominal cost of $\pounds 2$, which must be paid for in advance.

Our after-school club started this week and runs until 4.15pm on a Wednesday, again at a nominal cost of £2 per session. In both instances please pay for your sessions using this link: <u>Online Payment</u> <u>Link</u>

SWIMMING

Just a reminder that our children in Years 4 and 5 will be swimming at the Abbeycroft Leisure Centre in Haverhill in the new year. Parents with children in Oak Class and Hawthorn Class you should have seen recent communications via ParentMail and Dojo with more details.

SEVERE WEATHER

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

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:

- Class Dojo
- ParentMail
- Via the Suffolk County Council website: <u>http://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk</u>
- Facebook

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

On a Tuesday morning, we have a short staff briefing at 8.20am to share anything pertinent about the day / week. This meeting includes <u>all staff</u> and means the School Office may be unmanned for a short amount of time. Please be patient, a member of staff will return!

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL SITE

We are sending this message to remind parents and carers of the importance of driving and parking safely around the school site. It is vital due care and attention for our school, our neighbours and other drivers is given.

We are in a conservation area and our neighbours are, understandably very protective of the locality. Please be careful not to park of verges and block driveways. We have received a number of complaints regarding this.

We know it is very challenging to park around the school site but none of us want a child attending our setting to be a road traffic accident statistic. Please ensure when parking there are gaps left to ensure passing cars can in fact pass and ensure the front of school is accessible ~ this is with the emergency services in mind.

Please remember you can park at the village hall or use the car park at the Rose and Crown and take the short walks from either location to and from the school site.

Thank you for your support in this important matter.

REMINDER!

Please be sure to name all uniform, particularly ties, jumpers and cardigans. This helps us ensure misplaced items can be returned quickly ~ thank you for your support with this!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS ~ SPRING TERM 2025

Other dates will follow but I know lots of you will want to get these onto the calendar as soon as possible. The team and I will be adding to our schedule of special days, visitors and trips, including some additional 'share' opportunities ~ keep checking this list!

Friday 17th January ~ Oak Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Oak Class <u>only</u> are invited.

Friday 24th January ~ Cherry Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Cherry Class <u>only</u> are invited.

Friday 31st January ~ Hawthorn Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Hawthorn Class <u>only</u> are invited.

Monday 3rd February to Friday 7th February ~ National Storytelling Week

There will be lots of storytelling learning and activities underway across the school this week.

Tuesday 11th February ~ Safer Internet Day ~ more details to follow

Friday 14th February ~ Willow Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Willow Class <u>only</u> are invited.

FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY ~ END OF HALF-TERM HALF-TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 17th February ~ Friday 21st February

Thursday 27th February ~ Willow Class Trip to Audley End House

Thursday 6th March ~ World Book Day ~ more details to follow

Monday 17th March to Friday 21st March ~ British Science Week ~ more details to follow

Friday 4th April ~ LAST DAY OF THE SPRING TERM Spring Holiday ~ Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025 Monday 5th May ~ early May Bank Holiday

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