

Hundon Community Primary School Newsletter Friday 23rd June 2023



Laying the foundations for a bright future

Website link: <u>www.htpfederation.co.uk</u>

A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Wow, what a great week we have had! All the children have been very engaged and enthusiastic in their learning and managing the warm weather admirably.

A big 'well done' goes to Oak Class who shared a fantastically informative Class Presentation this afternoon related to their most recent learning. It was lovely that lots of parents and carers of children in Oak Class were able to come along, I know like us, you were very proud of them - they did a brilliant job!

Another big thank you goes to Miss Jeffs, Miss Blackwell and the Hundon staff team for organising our family picnic and sports afternoon on Thursday this week ~ it was hugely successful and it was lovely to see so many of you there too!

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

It has been another sunny week and the forecast remains the same for the week ahead. With this in mind please remember your child needs their water bottle every day to stay hydrated and a sunhat and sun-cream would be very helpful too!

Many thanks!

<u>School Meals ~ An Update</u>

You will remember earlier this year I wrote to you about the increases to our catering service costs as well as highlighting the increase in food prices. When the additional costs began in April the governing body made the decision to cover the shortfall between the income from school meals and all costs associated with providing meals for our pupils within the Federation in the short-term given the limited notice provided as well as the economic climate.

Unfortunately, this is not something we can sustain for the long term without impacting teaching and learning provision, therefore, reluctantly, we will be increasing the prices of school meals from ± 2.30 (static since 2014) to ± 2.50 from the start of the new academic year in September 2023.

This does not affect those of you whose child/ren have school meals through the government's 'universal free school meal' offer for children in Reception through to Year 2 or entitlement due to eligibility for Pupil Premium Funding.

MORNING SPORTS CLUB / AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON A WEDNESDAY ~ REMINDER

Earlier this term we shared with you the popularity of the additional childcare we facilitate through the provision of daily morning sports club and our after-school club on a Wednesday. We highlighted the need to increase the staffing levels within these clubs to ensure all aspects of child protection and safeguarding are met and the health and safety of those in attendance is assured.

As was shared at the time whilst we will continue to subsidise the costs incurred, primarily using our PE and Sports Funding, we cannot financially support the increase to staff costs.

This is a reminder that from the start of the new academic year in September 2023 attendance at morning sports club and after-school club will incur a 'flat-rate' charge of £2.00 per session, per child.

Places will continue to be limited, allocated on a first come, first served basis and priority given to working parents and those in receipt of pupil premium funding. from the start of the new academic year in September 2023.

To use this facility please book your place with the School Office and be sure to make your payments in advance using the usual online facility.

As before, we direct working families with extended childcare requirements to our associate 'HAPPY DAYS CHILDCARE'. They are located a mere 8 minutes from us, just off the A143 and have provision available from 7am until 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, including transport to and from school and light meals as needed. Sessions cost from £8.00. HAPPY DAYS CHILDCARE can be contacted on 01440 8290027 and via email at <u>hello@happy-days-childcare.co.uk</u>

REPORTING ABSENCE / GENERAL QUERIES

Please note all absences, need to be reported to the School Office in the first instance. Mrs Mitson, is responsible for attendance reporting and whilst we very much appreciate parents updating Class Teachers via Class Dojo, it is vital this information is shared directly with the School Office as soon as possible.

Where possible, please arrange medical appointments outside of school hours, but if your child needs to go to an appointment, please provide the school with an appointment card or letter.

Mrs Mitson, can be contacted by telephoning 01440 786217 or via email at admin@hundonschool.co.uk The school office is also best placed to support with general queries related to morning sports club, football club, school meals, payments and so on.

For learning related matters it is, of course, your child's Class Teacher you need to speak to and the easiest and quickest way for this is via our learning platform, Class Dojo.

WATER BOTTLE REQUEST REMINDER

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have noticed quite a few children are bringing bottles to school which are promoting the energy drink product 'Prime'. Whilst we appreciate parents will not be permitting their children to drink these products due to the high levels of caffeine they contain and will be aware they are not recommended for children under the age of 18 we politely request parents refrain from using these as your child's bottle for school.

We have school water bottles which can be collected from the school office for an online payment of ± 1.50 . The link for this is here: <u>https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/</u>

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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

SUMMER TERM 2023

Thursday 29th June ~ Wellbeing Workshops ~ more information to follow

Friday 30th June ~ Hawthorn Class Presentation at 2.50pm

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Hawthorn Class are invited to join us.

Thursday 6th July ~ Year 6 Leaver's Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

Friday 7th July ~ Cherry Class Presentation at 2.50pm

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Cherry Class are invited to join us.

(Monday 10th July to Wednesday 12th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

Tuesday 11th July and Wednesday 12th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 14th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

FRIDAY 14TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 19th July to Friday 21st July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Friday 21st July ~ LAST DAY OF TERM

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

PET SERVICE

SUNDAY 25 JUNE AT 3.00P.M.

We will be holding a pet service for all our special furry friends on Sunday 25 June at 3.00p.m. Do come and join us for what, will no doubt, turn out to be a very waggy event and bring as many pets as you can – cats, dogs, hamsters, guinea pigs, chickens, donkeys, horses, lions and giraffes (well maybe not lions and giraffes but you get our drift!). We really would love to welcome a horse and donkey or two! They give us so much pleasure, and support in times of need, I'm sure the least we can do is to thank them!

Afterwards we would love you to stay for refreshments including tea and cake and treats for all our four legged friends.

Margaret Langridge 07990 754401

Come and find out more about me and my friends. How many can you find along the New Cut?

Drop by & learn more about Damselflies and Dragonflies . Fun for all the family. Spotter sheets will be available & Andrea Harrison, a British Dragonfly Society member and Odonata Enthusiast, will be on hand to field questions and help with identification. (Binoculars useful but not essential)

Clare Castle Country Park Marking Dragonfly week Sunday 9th July 2023 12.00pm - 3.00pm (Weather permitting)

24th July - 1st September 2023



🕑 SAMUEL WARD ACADEMY, HAVERHILL

Camp Information:

Nerf & Laser Tag Camp Every Tuesday Inflatable Fun Camp Every Monday & Tuesday Football Mania Camp Every Wednesday & Thursday Mega Sports Camp Every Monday & Friday Dodgeball Camp Every Thursday Mini Olympics Every Wednesday DAY **£22.50** BOOK NOW!

AGE 4.5-12 years

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