

# Weekly Newsletter: 20th October 2023



Dear Parents & Carers,

As the first half term of the academic year comes to a close, it has been brilliant to welcome parents and carers into the building this week for parents' evening. Walking around the school and having the opportunity to hear snippets of children sharing with their adult just how proud they are of the learning in their maths and English books is always a highlight of the year.

Early in the week, the school hosted a meeting for all headteachers and executive leaders across the trust. We are always proud to showcase our school and during their tours of the school, they were incredibly impressed by the behaviour and focus of children across all year groups, as well as the high-quality outcomes showcased on display.



On Wednesday, the school office sent out a newsletter from Chartwells, our school meal provider. This can also be found on the website. The information reiterates the point that school meals are free for all children this year, whilst also sharing the updated menu rota. These menus are designed by chefs and nutritionists to ensure the children are accessing all the food groups they need to grow strong and healthy.

In a half term full of fantastic educational visits, year 4 finished the term by visiting the Maritime Museum, exploring the Arctic/Antarctica exhibition. The year group also took part in a hands-on workshop learning about Arctic Explorers. We look forward to all the trips ahead of us in the second half of the autumn term.

Earlier this week a letter was sent home regarding the proposal to change the published admission numbers for Horn Park. Please see the letter on the school website.

The Royal Borough of Greenwich are offering free meals for kids during the school holidays next week, please see the full details online <https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidaymeals>

Have a wonderful weekend and half-term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 30th October.

Zoe Crosland and Jack Green

## Dates for your diary

**23/10 - 27/10: HALF TERM**

**30/10:** Children Return to School

**31/10:** Year 6 Secondary Application Deadline

**01/11:** Parent workshop, support children with routines

**02/11:** School Photo Day

**06/11-10/11:** Year 6 School Journey

**09/11:** [Year 5 trip to Science Museum](#)

**13/11:** Odd Sock Day

**15/11:** Yr R-Y6 Nasal Flu Vaccines

**16/11:** Year 2 Trip National Maritime Museum

**17/11:** Children in Need

**07/12:** Christmas Fayre and Jumper Day

**20/12:** Christmas Lunch

**21/12:** Break Up

**22/12 - 04/01:** CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

**05/01:** INSET DAY

**08/01:** Children Return to School

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## Reception 2024 School Tour

**Do you know any local families with children who are due to join a Reception Class in September 2024?**

If so, we are offering tours of the school at 5pm on Thursday 2nd November, at 9.30am on Tuesday 21st November and at 5pm on Thursday 23rd November. Please contact the school office for more information and to book in or email [hpcontact@hornpark.compassps.uk](mailto:hpcontact@hornpark.compassps.uk)

## Attendance Matters

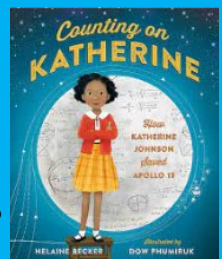
**Good attendance is key to success both educationally and beyond. For this reason, we aim for 100% attendance.**

This week's attendance: 92.9%

Best Year Group: Year 5 - 94.9%

## Book Recommendation

Beeches Class have been reading 'Counting on Katherine' as part of Black History Month. The book is about Katherine Johnson, an inspirational Black woman who worked for NASA. We have enjoyed learning about her life and are looking forward to finishing the story to find out what makes her so famous.



## ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



**French phase of the week:**  
Bonne nuit - good night

**Term Value:**  
Respect

**Lunch Menu: 1**  
w/c 30th October

Improving lives



Please complete the online [consent form](#) for your child to have the nasal flu vaccine. This form MUST be completed even if you do not give consent.

2023-24 Childhood Flu vaccination programme

**Get Active** will help you to find free and low cost activities for families in your area.

If you have recently attended a workshop in school, please take a couple of moments to complete [this parent/carer feedback form](#). Thank you.



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