

Weekly Newsletter: 17th November 2023



Dear parents and carers,

Anti-Bullying week has brought with it fantastic activities, assemblies and discussions across the entire school.

Starting with #OddSocksDay on Monday, children linked our values to how they would 'make a noise about bullying,' and subsequently made individual pledges to support this. Throughout the school, it has been wonderful to see how ideas and learning from both the PSHE Curriculum and 'No Outsiders' lessons support children in considering how they can be inclusive of all, and Anti-Bullying week is a great opportunity to showcase this.

Today, Children in Need has led to a school full of children and adults in pyjamas! Thank you to everyone who contributed, both through money and baked goods donated for the cake sale after school. We will put the total raised in next week's newsletter.



Coming up this Tuesday is a 'Mastering number workshop' for parents and carers in Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2). This will provide the chance to see an example lesson, and to hear more information about this vital part of the maths curriculum. You can sign up here.

As we get further into the Autumn term, it is amazing to see how many children are still on track to achieve their 100% gold attendance badge by the Christmas holiday. A reminder that children can also receive an attendance badge for having attendance above the school expectation of 96%. If you have any questions about attendance, please do not hesitate to speak to the school office or leadership team.

If your child has misplaced a coat in school, please ensure you take the time to check lost property at the end of the school day. This is now located opposite the ball zone.

Have a lovely weekend,
Zoe Crosland and Jack Green

Reminder: The online cut-off date for orders of school photos to be placed with Van Cols for free postage back to the school is Monday 20th November.

On Wednesday 20th December children can have a Christmas lunch in school. Please complete [this form](#) by 9am on Thursday 30th November if you would like your child to have a school lunch on this day. **If your child usually has a school meal on a Wednesday, you do not need to complete this form.** School meals are free for all children in Reception to Year 6.

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



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THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



Dates for your diary

- 20/11:** Deadline for ordering school photos with Van Cols for free delivery back to school
- 21/11:** 9am Mastering Numbers (KS1) Workshop
- 22/11:** 8.30am - 9.15am Nursery Stay & Play
- 22/11:** 8.45am - 9.15am Year 2 Stay & Read
- 23/11:** 9am Reception Stay & Play
- 24/11:** 3.15pm - 3.30pm PTA Tuck Shop
- 27/11:** 2pm PSHE Curriculum Workshop
- 29/11:** Reception Prince Philip Maritime Collection Trip
- 01/12:** Non-uniform Day - Bring a bottle (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) or chocolate as a donation for the fayre tombola
- 01/12:** Deadline for Sweet Jar entries and donations for Fayre
- 07/12:** 9am Developing reading fluency and comprehension (Years 2-6) Workshop
- 07/12:** Christmas Fayre and Christmas Jumper Day
- 08/12:** 2pm Sycamores & Millennium Performance
- 11/12:** 9.30am KS1 Performance
- 12/12:** 10.45am Nursery Performance
- 12/12:** 2pm KS1 Performance
- 13/12:** 9.30am Rocksteady Concert
- 13/12:** 2.30pm Reception Class Performance
- 14/12:** 9.30am KS2 Performance
- 15/12:** 2pm KS2 Performance
- 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 Tours

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

We are offering tours of the school 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

Attendance Matters

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

This week's attendance: 93.1%

Best Year Group: Year 1 - 95.6%

Book Recommendation

Chelsea's book recommendation this week is 'Dave Pigeon' by Swapna Haddow and illustrated by Sheena Dempsey. This chapter book is a hilarious tale about two pigeon best friends and how to deal with bad cats in order to keep your feathers (or most of them). It is written from a first-person perspective of the pigeons and tells a story of how friendship and teamwork can defeat everything. A really valuable lesson that Chelsea have been loving and enjoying reading about. We recommended these books to anyone who would love to have a little bit of laughter in their lives, as they are extremely joyful and fun to read.



ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



French phase of the week:
l'arc en ciel - the rainbow

Term Value:

Unity

Lunch Menu: 1

w/c 20th November



Horn Park Christmas Dates

Thursday 7th December

Christmas Jumper Day
3.15-5.30pm School Christmas Fayre

Friday 8th December

2pm Sycamores and Millennium Performance

Monday 11th December

9.30am KS1 Performance

Tuesday 12th December

10.45am Nursery Performance
2pm KS1 Performance

Wednesday 13th December

9.30am Rocksteady Concert
2.30pm Reception Class Performance

Thursday 14th December

9.30am KS2 Performance

Friday 15th December

2pm KS2 Performance

Wednesday 20th December

School Christmas Lunch

Thursday 21st December – Last Day of Term