

# Weekly Newsletter: 4th October 2024



Dear parents and carers,

In celebrating Harvest Festival in our whole school assembly this week, children have been able to reflect on the role our school values play within the wider community. The chosen charity to support this year is the Charlton Athletic Community Trust, who work alongside the Greenwich Foodbank. An abundance of food has been donated over the last couple of weeks, and we are very grateful to everyone who has contributed.



On Wednesday, you will have received an email about School Council applications. Children in years 2-6 are invited to apply to be the representative for their class, giving them the opportunity to drive change and improve children's experiences at school. Children who would like to apply will need to fill out an application which they can get from their class teacher. They will then be expected to give a short speech to their class, explaining why they would like to be a school council member. Please support your child by helping them rehearse what they would like to tell their class and have the form returned to their class teacher by Monday 7th October.

Also on Wednesday, parents and carers were invited into school for a phonics workshop led by Miss Ablitt. This gave adults the chance to see a phonics session in Reception, before hearing more about our approach to Early Reading at Horn Park, as well as ways that children can be supported with reading at home. You can see the presentation that was shared in the workshop [here](#).

A reminder that our annual International Evening is **Wednesday 9th October**, between 4.15pm and 6pm. As part of this, we are excited to continue the tradition of 'Bring your own dish'. We are so thankful to the families who have contributed food in the past and it would be great if this year, we break the record for the number of food donations for us all to enjoy. Please remember we are a nut free school.

Please ensure that with an increasing amount of rain and cold weather, that all children have a clearly labelled coat in school every day. Please also ensure you are checking lost property which is found just inside the year 5/6 entrance to school. We have already had so many coats with no names unclaimed that we have had to store these in the hall so please ask a member of the team if you would like to have a look.

Have a lovely weekend,

Ms Zoe Crosland and Mr Jack Green

## Dates for your diary

- 09/10: No After School Activity Clubs on this day**
- 09/10: 4.15pm - 6pm International Evening**
- 10/10: 9am Meet the SENCO Coffee Morning**
- 11/10: Deadline to return PTA Christmas Card designs, completed forms & money to school office**
- 15/10: 9am PTA AGM - Please report to the school office**
- 16/10: No Year 1&2 Dance Club on this day**
- 16/10: 3.15pm Chartwells new menu taster session**
- 16/10: 3.30pm - 5pm Parents' Evening**
- 17/10: Year 2 Hindu Temple trip**
- 17/10: 3.30pm - 7pm Parents' Evening**
- 21/10: Reception class Eltham Library trip**
- 21/10: Year 1 Young V&A Trip**
- 22/10: EP Workshop - Managing Big Emotions**
- 23/10: Reception & Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)**
- 24/10: Diwali themed school meal**
- 24/10: Individual and sibling school photos**
- 24/10: 3.30pm-4.30pm Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 PTA Autumn Disco**
- 24/10: 5-6pm Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 PTA Autumn Disco**
- 25/10: Reception - Year 6 annual flu vaccinations**
- 25/10: Last day of Autumn 1 term**
- 28/10 - 01/11: Half term break**
- 31/10: Secondary school application closing date**
- 04/11: Children return to school**
- 05/11 - 08/11: Year 6 school journey**
- 18/11 - 22/11: Year 5 Bikeability**

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2024 - 2025 school year dates can be found [here](#).

## Attendance Matters

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

This week's attendance: 97.4%

Best Year Group: Year 4 - 98.8%

## Book Recommendation

The Diver's Daughter by Patrice Lawrence is part of a collection of historical novels for young readers from the point of view of people whose stories in history have not often been told. Eve is living with her mother in Tudor London.



When she falls into the river Thames and her mother dives in to rescue her, they are invited on a mission to retrieve treasure from a sunken ship and meet historical figures along the way such as the famous diver, Jacques Francis.

## ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



Term Value:

Respect

[Lunch Menu:](#) 2

w/c 7th October

## Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening takes place on **Wednesday 16th October** from 3.30pm - 5pm and **Thursday 17th October** from 3.30pm - 7pm. Please book your 10-minute appointment with your child's class teacher [via My Child At School](#).

## Reception 2025 Schools Tours

Do you know any local families with children who are due to join a Reception Class in September 2025? If so, we are offering tours of our school on the following dates:

Thursday 10th October at 5pm

Thursday 7th November at 9am

Thursday 21st November at 9am & 5pm

Thursday 12th December at 9am & 5pm

Please contact the school office to book your place or email [hpcontact@hornpark.compassps.uk](mailto:hpcontact@hornpark.compassps.uk)



Please click [here](#) to read the SEND Local Offer Newsletter from the Royal Borough of Greenwich

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for keeping our school safe!



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Horn Park Primary School & PTA Presents

# Autumn

DISCO

Music | Food | Fun

3.30pm - 4.30pm  
Nursery, Reception & KS1

5.00pm - 6.00pm  
KS2

Thursday 24th  
October 2024

£2 per child  
Please purchase tickets via My Child At School

my child at school.com

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