Hunstanton Primary School

Your weekly newsletter - 12th January 2024

Headteacher's message

Welcome back to a new year! I hope you've all had a good Christmas. The children have all settled in well to the new term and I've seen some wonderful work across the school.

I mentioned before Christmas that we will be sharpening up on uniform. As you read this, I wonder if some of you are thinking why.
Here are the main reasons:

- Wearing a uniform is a badge of pride.
- It creates an identity for a school and gives pupils a sense of belonging.
- It creates a level playing field among pupils.

We don't want the cost of uniform to be a barrier to wearing it, so please let us know if we can help!

Finally, a reminder that there are still lots of spaces in clubs. If you are having issues booking them, contact the office.

Stars of the week

Seahorses : Leo P
Sea Turtles : Caleb
Starfish : Oliver
Sea Otters : Eva
Seals : Taylor
Stingrays : All of Year 6

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Mrs Torrice, Mason, Rachel, Eva, Ruby H, Lucas K, Leo K, Charlotte, Freddie R, Charlie S, Lucy, Morgan(Fred) and Bodi

Dates for January

MONDAY 15TH JANUARY

- Y6 PE - Come to school in their PE kit
- WNMAT Violins and Cello Lessons
- 3.20PM-4.20PM Y4 Times Table Club

TUESDAY 16TH JANUARY

- Y1 & Y3 PE Come to school in their PE kit
- 1PM-1.30PM Y5 & Y6 Newspaper Club
- 3.20PM-4.10PM Y4-Y6 Netball Club

WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY

- Y2 & Y4 PE Come to school in their PE kit
- Y5 Swimming - Bring their swimming kit
- Drums and Guitar Lessons with Dan
- 1PM-1.30PM Y5 HeroClix Club
- 3.20PM-4.15PM Y6 SATs Booster Club - invited pupils only
- 3.10PM-4.20PM Y1-Y6 Board Games
- 3.20PM - 4PM School Choir
- 3.20PM - 4.10PM Y5 & Y6 Tag Rugby

THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY

- Library Opening Assembly!
- CENSUS DAY Menu: Planetary Pizza, chips, baked beans and krispie cake
- Y3 & Y4 PE Come to school in their PE kit
- Piano Lessons with Gail
- 3.10-4.30PM Cookery Club - invited pupils only

FRIDAY 19TH JANUARY

Y6 & Y5 PE Come to school in their PE kit

School Statistics

This years attendance so far : 91.7 %

Our attendance target is : 96%

This week's winner is : Sharks Y3 with 100 %

Punctuality Winners: Sea Turtles Y1 with 4 late arrivals this week

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Y6: Peyton and Jayden

Y4: Lacie - Marie (twice)

Y3: James

Y2: Erik

DATE	TIME	EVENT & VENUE	YEAR GROUP
JANUARY 2024			
25th January	Morning	KSI Active Kids at Lynnsport	TBA
FEBRUARY 2024			
9th February	Mornng	John Giller's Professor Pancakes Puzzle Laboratory	TBA
12th February	All Day Leave 8.30am Back at 5.30pm	Y3 School Trip to Kingswood	Y3
12th February	Afternoon	Y5 SSP Tag Rugby at West Norfolk Rugby Club	Some Y5 pupils
MARCH 2024			
5th - 7th March	Residential Visit	Thorpe Woodland Residential Visit	Y6
6th March	Afternoon	SSP Dance Festival at King's Lynn Corn Exchange	TBC
7th March	Morning	Y5 Girls Football Tournament at Smithdon	Y5
25th - 26th March	All Day	Level I and Level 2 Off Road Bikeability Training	Y5 & Y6 pre-booked only
26th March	4.00pm-5.45pm	Netball Tournament at Smithdon	Y5/Y6

New Clubs starting week commencing 8th January 2024 - Please book via school money even if the club is free:

Club	Led by	When	Where	Maximum Capacity	Cost	For who	About
Times Tables	Mrs Ball-Rye	Monday 3:20-4:00pm	Y4 Classroom	30	Free	Y4	Practising times tables
School Paper and Newspaper Club	Miss Ashton	Tuesday lunchtime	Y6 Classroom	15	Free	Y5 & Y6	Children will learn how to produce a newspaper/school paper
Netball Club	Miss Stanton	Tuesday 3.20-4.10pm	Hall/outside	20	£20 £10PP	YR 4-6	Children will have fun and learn skills building up to a festival
HeroClix	Mr Todd	Wednesday 1pm-1.30pm	Y5 classroom	30	Free	Y5 only	Children will learn how to play HeroClix
SAT Booster Class	Miss Ashton	Wednesday 3.20-4.15pm	Y6 classroom	By invite only	Free	Y6	Booster sessions for SAT's invite only
Board Games	Miss Lees Mattin	Wednesday 3.10:4.20pm	Y1 classroom	15	£20 £10PP	Y1-Y6	Children will learn to play board games and have fun mixing with other year groups
Tag Rugby	Miss Stanton	Wednesday 3:20- 4:10pm	Hall/outside	20	£20 £10PP	YR 5/6	Children will have fun and learn skills building up to a festival
Choir	Mr Todd	Wednesday 3.20-4.00pm	Y5 Classroom	30	Free	KS2	Children will learn new songs and practise their singing skills
Cookery	Mrs Wood	Thursday 3.10-4.30pm	Cookery room	8	Free	Invited children only	Children will learn new skills that they can use at home

Help with Childcare Costs

From 2 January 2024, eligible working parents can apply for 15 hours of childcare for their two-year-old. Parents have until 31 March 2024 to apply for a code, with mid-January to the end of February being the optimum time to apply in case they need to provide further information to support their application.

To apply for a childcare code each parent needs to be working and earning the equivalent of 16 hours a week at national minimum/living wage and under £100,000 adjusted net income per year. This means that each parent needs to earn from just over £8,600 per year to be eligible for 15 hours a week of childcare during term time.

There is more information on the childcare support available to parents on the Childcare Choices website, where they can explore the early education entitlements and other government help with childcare costs.

Hope this information helps.

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION CLASS - SEPTEMBER 2024

Reception class applications opened on 25 September 2023 and will close on 15 January 2024.
Apply for a school place online via the link below
https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-admissions/admission-to-reception-classes?

We are now taking bookings via the school office for our tours of the school with Mrs Sullivan, Headteacher. Either call or email us to book your appointment. We look forward to welcoming you and your family to our beautiful school.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

This is a link to a useful website for parents with NHS advice on whether you should keep your child off school.

Norfolk County Council

2023-2024 Norfolk Model Calendar

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POLITE REMINDER

Please ensure that as parents /carers you DO NOT park on the yellow zig zag lines outside the school entrances. We have been notified of another local school where a child has actually been hit by car that was parked on these lines as line of visibility was blocked.

We cannot stress how important it is to please keep these areas clear.

Thank you and we appreciate your support with this.

Hockey Heroes at Pelicans Hockey Club

Bookings are now being taken for the next Hockey Heroes course that will start in on February 24th at Pelicans.
This is aimed at players aged 4 to 9 who are beginners. Sign up via the England Hockey website and you will receive a personalised shirt, two sticks and a ball and your place will be confirmed on the course - start date Saturday 24th February.
Book a place via the link:
https://play.englandhockey.co.uk/HockeyHeroes/BookCourse/243fbbf6-49c3-4bad-98bf-5aafbcad41df
Or via the QR code below.