



The Horsell Village School NEWSLETTER



Welcome to July's edition of The Horsell Village School's newsletter. In this edition you will find:

- Summer Term diary dates
- Information on school events
- Curriculum updates
- Year group pages

Can you believe we only have a few weeks left to the school year? With the excitement that July brings we have lots to share and celebrate.



Thank you to everyone that joined us last week at our annual sports day. The sun shone brightly for us and the children had a lovely time sharing the physical skills they have learnt during their PE lessons over the year. The children did us proud and demonstrated all aspects of our school values towards each other.

A huge thank you to Miss Burtenshaw for co-ordinating the event and a big thank you to all the children in Year 5 at The Horsell Junior School who did a great job marshalling and helping the children. Each year we look for children displaying fantastic team work and our school values and points are awarded by the staff. This year the 'Green Team' won. Well done to all the children, not only in green team but across the school.

Don't forget this Saturday 6th July is our annual PTA Summer Fair. Thank you to everyone who has already made a contribution through our donation day. There will be lots to see and do on the day. Hopefully you will be able to join us between 12.00pm and 3.00pm at The Horsell Junior School. We look forward to seeing you there.



Diary Dates July 2024

06.07.2024	PTA Summer Fair 12-3pm
09.07.2024	Yr R visit to Horsell Common Otters & Foxcubs Classes
10.07.2024	Yr R visit to Horsell Common Rabbits Class
15.07.2024	Parent Helpers Celebration thank you reflections
15.07.2024	Annual Reports
17.07.2024	Celebration of Learning 4.00 pm to 6.30 pm
17.07.2024	Move up day
18.07.2024	Year 2 Leavers Ball 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm
19.07.2024	Year 2 Leavers Concert 9.00 am
22.07.2024	Last day of term 1.15 pm finish



Diary Dates Sept 2024

Monday 2nd September 2024
INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd September 2024
INSET DAY

Start of term Yr 1 & 2:
Wednesday 4th September
2024

TIME TO Celebrate



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We are really delighted to share with you that our school community has received the Eco-Schools Green Flag award. This is in recognition of our hard work this year on projects that promote looking after our environment and ourselves. These projects were chosen by our Eco School council children after doing an environmental review.



We have worked hard to lessen waste at school and are recycling 'better' by collecting used batteries, recycling soft plastics, turning lights off when we can and being mindful about using paper wisely. We did litter-picking at Queen Elizabeth Park in the village expanding our impact beyond our school gates.



We built on our healthy and active learning approach here at school by encouraging everyone to eat more of their healthy lunch, walking locally to do Science and Art learning first hand, enjoyed a mindful Mental health week and special active days like Skip2bfit. Thank you to our staff for arranging these enriching experiences. Great thanks go to Squires Garden Centre for the opportunity for our School Council to 'Grow their own Chips!' teaching us that we can grow our own food and benefit our environment by doing so. The children obviously really enjoyed eating their chips on harvest day!!



Our Biodiversity project has involved learning how protecting habitats is crucial for all living things. We adopted an area of St Mary's Churchyard garden, scattering wild flower seeds and are excited to see their growth attracting minibeasts. Year 2 children thought about Global Biodiversity, writing 'letters' asking the machine driver to stop cutting down the Amazon rainforest.



Our Application for the Award was highly commended for the wide range of learning the children undertook especially as our children are some of the youngest to take on this big challenge! Congratulations to Noah, Anna, Bella, Joel and Carey from Year 1 and Jack C, Annie, Evie G, Eddie R, Maya and Owen from Year 2. Be very proud of yourselves. What a great team.

Mrs Aughterson

Eco-School Council



Green Flag Award
Winners 2024!

Staffing Updates

Wednesday 17th July is class move up morning here at school. The children are very excited to find out who their new class teachers will be.

This year the children are moving up as a class group.

They will find out which class they are moving to on the morning of Wednesday 17th July.

Please see below the class structure for September 2024

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Otters Year R	Class Teachers: Mrs Emslie (Mon all day & Fri am), Mrs Shaw (Tues, Weds, Thurs and Fri pm) Teaching Assistant: Mrs Greenway & Mrs Botterill
Rabbits Year R	Class Teacher: Mrs Knight Teaching Assistant: Mrs Kaine
Foxcubs Year R	Class Teacher: Miss Burtenshaw Teaching Assistants: Mrs Huntley- Robertson & Mrs Barnes & Mr Longley
Hedgehogs Year 1	Class Teachers: Mrs Morrow (Mon, Tues, Weds), Mrs Wright (Thurs, Fri) Teaching Assistant: Mrs Draisey
Badgers Year 1	Class Teacher: Miss O'Sullivan Teaching Assistant: Mrs Razey
Squirrels Year 1	Class Teacher: Mrs Jarvis Teaching Assistants: Mrs Algar & Mrs Birch
Snowy Owls Year 2	Class Teachers: Mrs Sharkey (Mon, Tues), Miss Richardson (Wed, Thur, Fri) Teaching Assistant: Ms Powell
Barn Owls Year 2	Class Teacher: Mrs Blackwell (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) & Mrs Aughterson (Weds) Teaching Assistant: Ms King
Tawny Owls Year 2	Class Teacher: Miss Bashir Teaching Assistants: Mrs Barnes & Mrs Francis



Come and join us on
Wednesday 17th July 2024
4.00 pm to 6.30 pm
for our annual

'Celebration of Learning'

This is a fantastic opportunity for all the family, friends and community to come and share in all the excellent learning the children have been doing throughout the year.

There will be displays in all the classrooms and corridors celebrating what our wonderful children have achieved.

In the school hall you will be able to drop in and meet our school governors as well as learn more about our whole school approach to supporting Mental Health and Well-being.

We look forward to see you there.

Let's Celebrate

Over the last year we have been working hard to further develop our curriculum and the enrichment opportunities we can provide for our children. Have a look below to see what we have been up to. Thank you for your continued support.



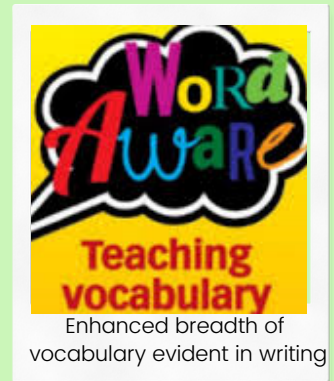
Strong phonics & reading outcomes



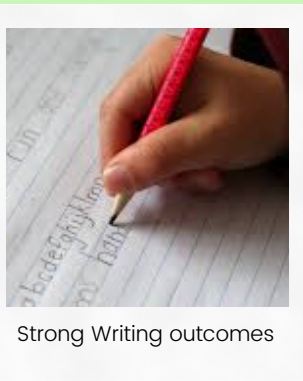
Increased range of decodable phonics books



Strong maths outcomes



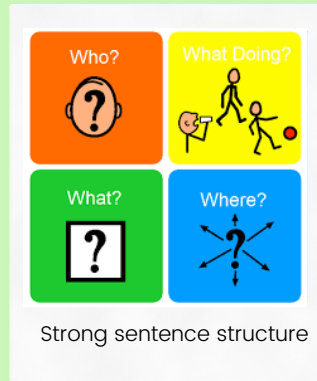
Enhanced breadth of vocabulary evident in writing



Strong Writing outcomes



Successful application



Strong sentence structure



Increased enrichment opportunities



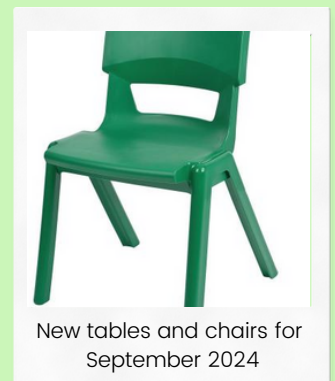
Increased available therapies



New Learning Cycle for September 24



Increased community links



New tables and chairs for September 2024

Safeguarding



Mrs Sharkey
DSL



Mrs Reeve
Deputy DSL



Miss Cadey
Deputy DSL

If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child please contact a member of the school's Designated Safeguarding Team in the first instance through the school office.

In addition to this, if you have concerns outside of school, you can contact the Children's Single Point of Access on:

Phone: 03004709100- Monday to Friday, 9.00 am to 5.00 pm

Email: cspa@surreycc.gov.uk

Out of Hours Emergency Team: 01483 517898



Attendance Matters

As you may have heard in the National News, from September 2024 attendance guidance for all schools is changing.

We are currently awaiting additional guidance from Surrey County Council before we share this with you. This should be before the end of term so please do keep an eye out for this letter.

This is a National drive to improve school attendance. As a school we continue to have high attendance, so thank you for ensuring your child's education takes high priority.



4.00pm to 5.30pm

Sunday 21st July



St Mary's Church, Horsell

Explore a Bible theme through craft, food, games or nature. There will be a short celebration with a story, songs and prayers.

**For all ages!
Picnic tea provided!**

**Messy Church is part of The Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF),
a Registered Charity.**

brf.org.uk

**Saint Mary the Virgin
Horsell**

Uniform

By the end of the school year, there are often a large number of items in the lost property box. We will put all the items outside before the end of term for you to claim. Any surplus items will be included in the next PTA uniform sale.

Please make sure all of your child's belongings are labelled ready for September. This will help us to avoid wasting any learning time trying to locate unnamed clothing items.

Jewellery

Children are not allowed to wear earrings to school. However, if you are considering having your child's ears pierced, we kindly ask that this is done at the start of the summer holidays to allow for the 6 weeks healing time in preparation for the start of the new term in September.

If your child is moving to Year 2, they may wear an analogue watch to school to support them with telling the time.

What's happening in Reception...

We can't believe this is the last month of Reception! We are so proud of the progress every child has made this year.

What a wonderful start to our new topic "World Explorers." The children enjoyed seeing and touching the animals Simon Airey brought in to share with us.

We have already visited Europe, Asia and Australia. Next we are off to Africa, North America and South America. We have been singing about the different continents - see if your children can remember the song!

On the 9th and 10th of July we will be visiting Horsell Common, please sign up to Scopay to help us walk down if you are available.

We will be refining our scissor skills this term, ensuring we can keep our scissors on a line and our gross motor skills will be developed with ball skills.

We continue our writing focus with capital letters, full stops and finger spaces, looking for writing at some length when ready.

In Maths we will consolidate all our learning by comparing numbers and developing our reasoning skills.

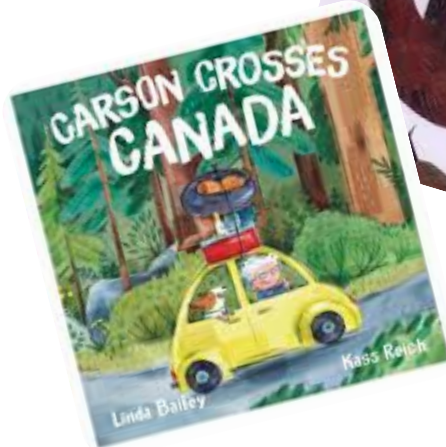
During our PSHE time, we are discussing the move to Year 1, identifying things we are looking forward to and any worries we might have. We will also go over all the best bits of our year together in Reception.

Thank you for all your support this year. We wish you all a wonderful summer break.

The Reception Team x

plain rainforest

north south



Phonics

The children will be working through Phases 3-5 in their Phonics groups. Please spend time reflecting on the sounds in your child's Phonics reading book they take home on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Tricky words:

Please use the tricky word cards handed out at Parents Evening to guide your child's learning. These are words that cannot be sounded out so will need to be read on sight.

We appreciate your support in guiding your child's reading development.

What's happening in Year 1...

The children have been revisiting the four countries in the UK and their capital cities and have been learning some interesting facts about each country. They have been particularly interested in Loch Ness in Scotland!

In Maths, the children have been practising telling the time for o'clock and half past with some children beginning to explore quarter past and quarter to. The children have been very successful at recognising coins and are continuing to use their number knowledge of tens and ones to select coins to total a given amount. Please continue to practise these skills over the holidays.

In Science, the children have been learning about the parts of a plant and what plants need to grow. We have been closely monitoring our beans which have started to germinate and we will be potting these so that they can continue to grow.

Our Art and DT learning has been inspired by flowers. The children have been studying the work of Monet and have been developing their paper crafting skills to create paper flowers.

In our PSHE lessons, we will be celebrating all of the children's achievements this year and the children will be preparing for their move to Year 2.

We wish you all a very happy summer break!

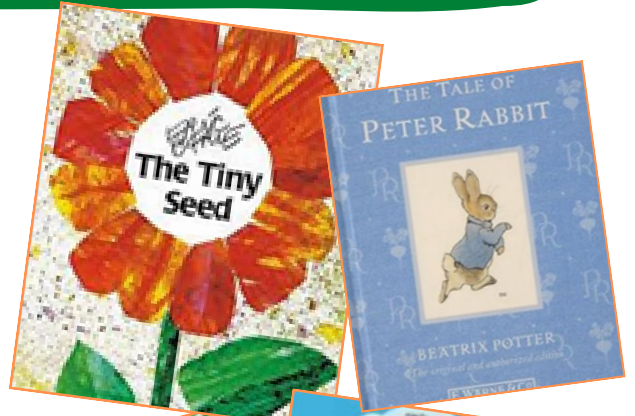
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Over the next few weeks, the children will be working through the Phase 5 alternative sounds e.g. st (castle) and sc (scissors) making a 's' sound in words.

Spelling

There is a list of High Frequency Words and Common Exception Words in the centre of the Reading Record for your child to practise at home. Your child needs to be able to spell these words by the end of the year.



nutrients

annual

exhilarated

frame

foliage

shrub

seedling

natural

delicate

What's happening in Year 2...

Congratulations to the crews of the good ships Tawny, Snowy and Barn Owls. Everyone has successfully completed their pirate crew training and are now ready to up anchor and sail on to new adventures!

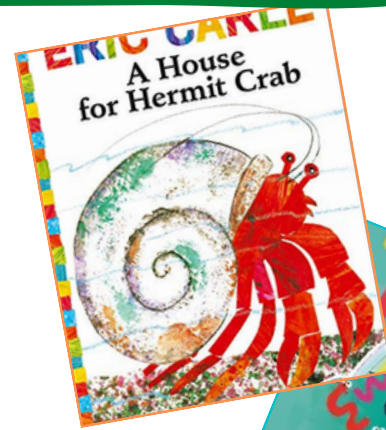
There are just a few more preparations before we set sail including checking our geographical knowledge - Do we remember the names of the continents and oceans? Have we completed the maps we need to help us find our new destinations?

In English, we will be learning about The Hermit Crab and sharing the story by Eric Carle. We will be using the story to inspire our own art work and stories and learning about how the hermit crab changes as it gets older.

In Maths, we will be solving problems involving the four operations so that we can be sure that all treasure is shared equally and that we know if we have enough money to pay for everything that we need for our travels.

In PSHE and Good to be Me, we will be talking about changes and making sure we have all the tools that we need to help us understand and regulate all the emotions that we might experience as we get ready to move on.

We will celebrate the end of the year with a Leavers' Ball and Concert.



change

home

adventure

remember

memories

joy

Phonics

The children will be working through the Phases in their Phonics groups:

Phase 5

Phase 5 alternatives and spelling rules

Tricky Words

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