



The Horsell Village School NEWSLETTER



Diary Dates

June & July 2024

03.06.2024	School re-opens Art & History Week
06.06.2024	Simon Avery Visit for Reception
07.06.2024	Victorian Dress up day
10.06.2024	Squirrels- Forest School
14.06.2024	Year 2 visit to Legoland
19.06.2024	Summer Day In school event
19.06.2024	Reception 2024 to 2025 New Parents meeting
21.06.2024	PTA Summer Fair donation day & Mufti day
25.06.2024	Sports day Children to come to school in PE Kits
26.06.2024	Parent Volunteer Meeting 9.00 am children's centre
27.06.2024	Class Photographs
06.07.2024	PTA Summer Fair
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	Thank you, parent helpers celebration
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

hello
June

Welcome to June'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
- Focus on attendance
- Year Group pages

Can you believe we are now entering the last half term of this school year? What a year it has been! The children have achieved so much and continue to do themselves and us proud. I hope you have all had a lovely half term and are looking forward to the fun and excitement the second half of the summer term can bring. We have lots planned, so be sure to read further on for additional information and of course we will send out reminders closer to the events.

This week the children have begun to explore their final new topic of the year.



In Reception the children will be finding out about different countries and habitats through their topic 'World Explorers'.

In Year 1 the children will be exploring plant life and how things grow through their topic 'The Secret Garden'.



In Year 2 the children will be exploring the life of pirates through their topic 'Sailing the Seven Seas'.



You can find out more by visiting each year group's page on the school website.

Staffing Updates

As we begin to approach the end of the academic year we can update you on some staff changes that will be happening here at The Horsell Village School.

HVS
Community
News



Mr Santos will be leaving us at the end of the year. Mr Santos has been here at The Horsell Village School for 17 years and has been an integral part of the Horsell family. His commitment and passion over the years to ensure that the school premises have been ship-shape and sparkling will be greatly missed.



Mrs Child will be retiring in her role as class teacher at the end of the year to spend more time with her grandchildren. Mrs Child has been here at The Horsell Village School for 25 years, starting as a parent helper in the library and moving into a support staff role before completing her teacher training here in 2013. Over the years, her passion for all things Art and History has been invaluable and has helped shape the Horsell Curriculum. Her dedication and commitment to the school will be greatly missed.



Mrs Reed will be leaving us to take up a class teacher post at another school within The SWAN Trust. During the couple of years Mrs Reed has been with us she has been a fundamental part of the team developing music across the school. Her passion for music and singing is clear for all to see and hear. We wish her every success.



Mr Crisp has been successful in obtaining a teaching post at a local school within Woking. Mr Crisp joined us as a 1:1 teaching assistant back in 2017 and this year has been successfully working towards his teacher qualifications through the SCITT program. Well done in achieving your dream of being a teacher.

I am sure you join me in wishing them all the very best for the future and thank them for their amazing contributions over the years.

Excitedly, we have some new members joining us for September 2024.

Mrs Jarvis and Mrs Blackwell will be joining us as class teachers. I am sure you will join me in passing on a warm welcome and congratulations to them both.

RSE Curriculum



We previously shared with you our Relationships and Sex Education information. This provided you with detail around how we teach this part of the curriculum, which emphasized the link between RSE and the Science National Curriculum.

You can find more information on our school website under our PSHE tab. <https://www.horsell-village.surrey.sch.uk/learning/pshe/>

The Jigsaw unit that explores the RSE aspect of the curriculum is called 'Changing me'.

During this unit of work we will be exploring

- Naming and identifying body parts
- Exploring the natural process of growing from young to old.
- Reviewing the NSPCC pants approach in regards to understanding which parts of the body are private. You can find out more about this approach on our safeguarding page further on.
- Discussing and identifying changes that are coming up and emotions associated with these.

Arts History Week

This week has been Arts History Week. The children have been enjoying exploring the history of the school and local area as well as using their historical enquiry skills to find out about a mystery historical character. On Friday we will be completing the week with a Victorian Day. Should the children wish to do so, they can come to school dressed as a Victorian school child.



Sports Day

We are really excited to be holding our annual Sports Day on Tuesday 25th June 2024 on the Horsell Junior School field.

Each year group has a specific slot for the day. A program of events will be available on the day and spectators are invited to follow their child's class group round all the different activities. Please remember to give the children and staff plenty of space to carry out their activities.

Year Group	Time
Year 1 Hedgehogs Squirrels Badgers	9am walk from school Sports day activities 9.15am - 10.30am
Year 2 Barn Owls Tawny Owls Snowy Owls	10.15 walk from school Sports day activities 10.30am - 11.45am
Reception Otters Foxcubs Rabbits	1.15 walk from school Sports day activities 1.30pm- 2.45pm

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on Tuesday 25th June 2024 and has sun cream on, a sun hat and a water bottle. We will have gazebos up to provide some shelter for the children.

If you are able to help walk with the classes to and from Horsell Junior School please sign up via the Scopay link <https://www.scopay.com/login.html> Please note in this instance you do NOT require a school DBS.

Parents will be able to access the Junior School field after the Year 1 children have arrived in the morning and after the Reception children have arrived in the afternoon.

No parents or children will be at the Junior School between 11.45 am and 1.30 pm. We ask that you refrain from taking photographs or videos on the day in line with our safeguarding policy. There will be no toilet facilities for parents or siblings at the school.

Celebration of Learning

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.



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

Be an Attendance Hero...



Here Every day Ready On time

Good attendance means our children will...

- Achieve well and be successful
- Know the value of hard work and efforts
 - Be kind
 - Dream Big!

Work hard. Be kind. Dream big

On the Friday before half term we had 27 children absent from school-not all through sickness- which is nearly one whole class. Please continue to help your children be an 'Attendance Hero' - every day matters.



Here at The Horsell Village School we use the NSPCC 'Pants' rule to help children understand their body belongs to them and they should tell a safe adult they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.

This rule is shared with the children at multiple times throughout the year and posters are located throughout the school to support their understanding.

As we approach the part of the year where our PSHE curriculum has an increased focus on RSE- Relationships and Sex Education - a few more questions may arise at home. If this is the case, please don't worry~ it is perfectly normal.

The NSPCC provide a fantastic range of resources to support parents at home talk about the importance of keeping safe. Here you can find videos to watch together, guidance on when and how to talk to your children as well as downloadable parent guides.

Of course we are always here to help, so please speak to your child's class teacher for additional support.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

Kindness to yourself

Kindness to others

Kindness to the World



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox

at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over

Diarrhoea and Vomiting

48 hours after their last episode

Cold and Flu-like illness
(including COVID-19)

they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.

Impetigo

their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics

Measles

4 days after the rash first appeared

Mumps

5 days after the swelling started

Scabies

they've had their first treatment

Scarlet Fever

24 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Whooping Cough

48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth

Glandular fever

Head lice

Tonsillitis

Threadworms

Slapped cheek

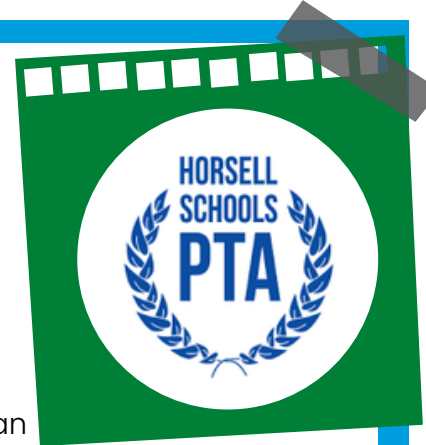


SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

The Horsell Schools PTA have been incredibly busy this year and we cannot thank them and you enough for your continued support. Over the year they have organised and put on a number of different events to help raise money so that both schools can continue to provide the children with experiences and resources to enhance their educational journeys. We hope you have had fun attending and joining in with these events.



This year so far with your help they have managed to raise an amazing amount to be shared between the two schools.

£ 16,000



- Goal £25,000**
- Uniform Sale Jan £935
- Easter Trail £250
- Doughnut sale Mar £175
- Bingo & Biryani £1000
- Doughnut sale Feb £120
- Uniform Sale Jan £440
- Christmas cards £490
- Christmas Fair £7,000**
- Costume Sale £150
- School Disco £1000
- Bags2School Nov £450
- Pumpkin Trail £280
- Fireworks £3,000
- Uniform Sale Sep £710

Here at the Village School we have used some of this money to continue to develop our bank of phonetically decodable reading books as well as inviting travelling theatre groups in.



As we move towards the end of the Summer term we are looking forward to our next big project- developing another section of our playground and outdoor learning area by incorporating an area which children and parents can use for sessions that support Mental Health and Well-being.

The staff, school council and children have already been busy thinking about what they would like to see in this area. Your help will go a long way in helping some of these areas become reality.

Summer Term Events

Mufti & donation day is on Friday 21st June.
Thank you

Pop-up Plant Sale

Horsell Schools' PTA in partnership with Daydawn Nurseries

8TH JUNE 2024 | 9:30 - 12:30
HORSELL VILLAGE SCHOOL
CHURCH HILL GU21 4QQ



Support your local schools and give your garden a great look for summer with a choice of shrub, climbers and a choice of herbaceous plants 🌿

For plant enquiries click here
or, contact Sam on 07732 429218



What's happening in Reception...

We have started our new topic "World Explorers" and the children are looking forward to having Simon Airey visit us on Thursday 6th June to share different animals that live around the world. We will see a tarantula, snake, scorpion, chameleon and hopefully a chinchilla!

We have started this half term with Art and History week by looking at Beatrix Potter and have been inspired by her artwork, creating our own versions of Peter Rabbit. You will see these at our Celebration of Learning event.

This half term will see us travel around the world, beginning at home and then exploring Asia, Australia, Africa, South America and North America. We will use the sounds we have learnt when we write about the books we are reading and relating these to our own experiences. We will continue focusing on using finger spaces between words. Our phonic lessons will revise sounds we have learnt in order to build fluency when we read as well as building the bank of words we can read on sight.

In Maths we will be consolidating all our learning so far this year looking at the composition of numbers, counting up to and beyond 20, comparing numbers as well as looking at doubles and odds and evens.

In our Understanding the World learning, we will discuss what makes our world wonderful, find out about the different continents and countries as well as exploring animals from different countries and where they live. We will explore maps and discuss the differences between living in our country and other countries.

We have been getting ready for Sports Day and are looking forward to this on June 25th. We will continue practising all our events as well as focus on balancing in our indoor PE sessions.

Victorian country

habitat map



Phonics

The children will be working through Phases 2-4 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.

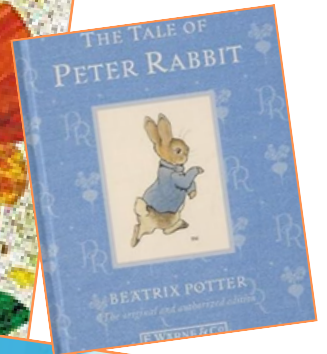
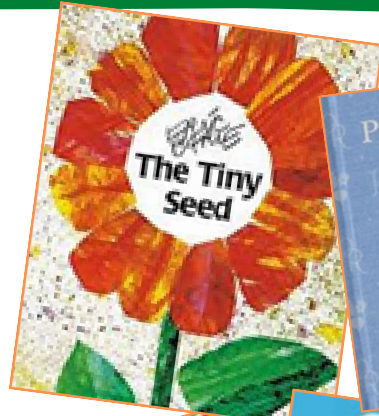
What's happening in Year 1...

We cannot believe it is the final half term. What a great year it has been! We have launched this half term with Arts and History Week and the children are thoroughly enjoying learning all about the life and works of Beatrix Potter.

Next week, we will begin our 'Secret Garden' topic. We have some lovely texts that we will be using to inspire our narrative writing. Using 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle, we will be exploring the illustrations and where the tiny seed will go next. This links to our Science learning which will be all about what plants need to grow and the children will be working scientifically to investigate the best conditions for plant growth.

In geography, we will be studying the four countries in the UK and their capital cities. We will be learning about Lancelot 'Capability' Brown, a significant figure in history, who is remembered as a grand designer, entrepreneur and salesman and became the UK's most famous landscape designer of the 18th century. We will be creating Art inspired by nature and will look at the work of William Morris and Claude Monet.

In maths, the children will be focusing on measures which includes learning about coins and money and telling the time. At home, you could explore these maths topics practically with your child, for example keeping a diary of your day and what time you do things and recognising and counting up the coins in your purse/wallet. 😊



Phonics



Our Phonics Screener will be taking place w/c 10th June. For the remainder of the year, the children will be recapping over Phases 3-5 in their Phonics groups. Please spend time reflecting on the sounds in the Phonics reading book your child brings home on Tuesdays and Fridays.

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.

growth
fertiliser
shoot
array
germinate
sprout
pollinate
vegetation

What's happening in Year 2...

Ahoy there me hearties! There be pirates in these here places! Shiver me timbers and avast ye - we are all off to pirate school to learn all about pirates, how to survive the seven seas, make everything look shipshape and prepare for sailing on to new adventures.

In English, we will be using non-fiction texts to help us learn about pirates in the past and find out about the ships they sailed and what life was like at sea. We will be using the texts *The Pirate Cruncher*, *The Night Pirates* and *The Pirates are Coming* to help us create pirate stories of our own.

In Maths, we will be revising directions and our 2D and 3D shape knowledge and practising solving two step number problems.

In Science, we will be looking at floating and sinking (very important for pirates to know!) and testing materials to see which work best for a raft - just in case we are shipwrecked. We will also be learning all about how to help ourselves stay happy and healthy whilst out at sea.

We will also be creating pirate portraits, learning sea shanties and bucket drumming so that we have entertainment whilst at sea.



fearsome

adventurous

notorious

weather beaten

unkempt, daring

salvage, swift

marooned

mountainous

murky, hopeless

Phonics

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

Phase 5

Phase 5 alternatives and spelling rules

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