

The Horsell Village School



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School events

10th Sept	Snowy Owls & Squirrels Induction meeting
11th Sept	Barn Owls & Hedgehogs induction meeting
12th Sept	Tawny Owls and Badgers Induction
17th Sept	Otters Induction Meeting
18th Sept	Foxcubs and Rabbits Induction Meeting
24th Sept	Parent tours for September 2020

Community Events

14th Sept	Woking Fire Station Community open day
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Induction Meetings

The induction meetings are an opportunity for you to come and meet your child's class teacher and have a look around the classroom. There is a short presentation where we talk about the year ahead, the learning and expectations.

On the morning of the induction meeting please wait outside your child's classroom. The teacher will collect you once the children have settled.

Welcome back

We hope that you all had a lovely Summer break. It has been fantastic to see everyone after the summer and also to welcome many new families to The Horsell Village School. We have been very busy over the summer and now have a brand new artificial grass area and Foxcubs class have a brand new roof. The staff have worked incredibly hard and the learning environments look fantastic. The children have come into school looking smart and refreshed ready for the new year of learning.



I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Jane Reeve, I am the new Headteacher here at The Horsell Village School. I am looking forward to meeting you all and working together.

Good Morning

Myself, Mrs Sharkey or a member of the Steering



Group will be outside each morning to welcome the children in, please pop over and say hello.

Parking

It's been lovely to see so many of you arrive to school on foot or by bike or scooter. For those travelling by car we ask you that you remember to park safely and considerately in the village and the surrounding streets. The Village hall, The Red Lion and The Crown continue to make their carparks available during drop off and pick up times. However, they do ask that this is the only times we use their carpark to allow them to operate their business at other times.

Please also be aware that the staff carpark is for staff only.



Dates and Events

Please find attached all the dates and events for the academic year that we sent out in July. You will see that we have adjusted Hedgehogs class assembly, moving it to Thursday 13th February 2019. We apologise for any inconvenience this change of date may occur, but hopefully this has given you plenty of advanced warning.

Reading Record

Don't forget to have a look at your child's new Reading Record alongside the guidance sent home on Friday.



Safeguarding and Welfare

Here at The Horsell Village School we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. To support us we ask you not to use your mobile phone whilst collecting or dropping off your child. This allows for quick communication between yourself, the class teacher and your child. The class reps will continue to upload photographs of the class notice board.

First Day Calling

To help us safeguard your family please contact the school as soon as possible if your child is absent from school, stating the reason for the absence. May we remind you that your child will need to be off school for **48 hours** after sickness.

If the school has not received a phone call by **9:15am** the following procedure is followed.

1. The school will telephone the first name on the contact list.
2. If there is no response, school will ring numbers on the contact list until a reply is received.
3. If the school has received no response, a home visit will be made by either school staff or other agencies working with the family.
4. School will contact the Police if all other stages have been completed and there is still no contact regarding the absent child.

Request for leave for exceptional circumstances

We send this reminder out at the beginning of each year. An annual holiday is not an authorised absence – there needs to be exceptional circumstances and we will be asking for evidence of this. Our attendance is reported every year to the Secretary of State and we are under increasing pressure to keep our absence rate as low as possible. Children are at school 190 days of the year. We would like to remind you to take all your holidays during the 13 weeks of the school holidays. Thank you

Reading Meetings

Our reading meetings for Reception are Wednesday 2nd October at 9.00am and Thursday 3rd October at 2.15pm and 7.00pm.

We will also be holding a meeting for KS1 on Friday 11th October at 9.00am.

During these meetings we will share with you how we teach reading and how you can help at home.

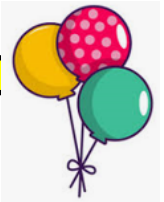


Keeping you posted

Please remember to check our school website, particularly the class pages. These will be updated on a monthly basis, alongside a new year group page being added to the school Newsletter. Here we will let you know what's coming up in the next month as well as celebrate the learning that has happened the month before.



A few things to remember..



Birthdays

We celebrate each child's birthday at school. We would like to remind you that we do not give out birthday sweets. Please save these treats for their parties.

Hair- long and short

We encourage the children to be as active as possible at school, therefore we ask that hair is tied back every day. A good guide is if it is long enough to be tied back then it should be. Please keep hair accessories as plain and simple as possible and in the school colour of green.

Jewellery

We ask that no jewellery is worn at school, this includes earrings.

Keeping healthy

We ask that your child brings a fruit snack to school each day. It should be fresh fruit or a vegetable. The only alternative is raisins. We provide your child with a snack in the afternoons.

I look forward to seeing you all around school and working together