

The Horsley School Bag

Friday 31st March, 2017

Newsletter 25 from Mr Price, *Head Teacher*

Our value this term is: **Generosity**



Dear parents, Just one week to go to the Easter break and there is lots to tell you about:

Mothering Sunday

Thank you to all the families that came to Sunday's service at St Martin's Church to share their work with the community. It was a lovely service and the children's contributions were really appreciated. One member of the congregation wrote to say:

"I just wanted to write to say a big thank you to all those involved in the church service for Mothering Sunday. It was such a treat to hear all your lovely songs, poems and prayers. You were all such a credit to your school and it was greatly appreciated by everyone there. What a special treat! "



Breakfast Club – ‘Cooked Breakfast Day!’

Our Breakfast Club sells itself on providing a healthy breakfast in the morning, with a range of whole-grain cereals, low-fat yogurt, fresh fruit and smoothies all on offer.

Next Wednesday – as a real treat – it’s cooked breakfast day! Bacon, eggs, sausages, beans and hash browns (in addition to cereal and toast!) are all on the menu. If you wish to book a place, please use the on-line booking facility by Monday at the latest.



Run - a - mile club

The club will run each Thursday at break-time, children just need to bring their trainers to school. It’s lovely to see so many children eager to join in.

Scholastic Book Club

Still time to order your books online at www.schools.scholastic.co.uk/horsley-gl6 and earn 20p for the school for every £1 spent. Postage is free if you order before the deadline of 28th April.

COUNTRY DANCE FESTIVAL

A reminder for Badgers class parents, the dance festival is on Tuesday 4th April at Stratford Park Leisure Centre and any parents attending will need a programme, available from the school office for £1.00 per person.

Comic Relief

Thank you everyone for your support for this year’s Red Nose Day. We raised over £150.00 from the sale of red noses, cakes and our non-uniform day.

Congratulations to this week’s Special Award winners:

Niels, Isla, Phoebe, Archie, Goldie,
Lara, Ava, Jack and Danielle

We are pleased that so many parents now join us each Friday to enjoy the celebration assembly together with refreshments provided by Mrs Freeman.

Next Thursday afternoon there will be a special assembly to say good-bye to Miss Jamfrey, as she sadly leaves the school after many years of dedicated service.



Another Plea...

Last week Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. T. visited Horsley Playgroup, to share ideas and good practice. Following this exchange, they have identified resources which would be useful in Foxes class to promote children's play and learning, in particular small world play. It would be fabulous to put together a basic 'toolkit' for the children, and they would be extremely grateful for any second-hand toys in good condition, which parents would not mind donating.

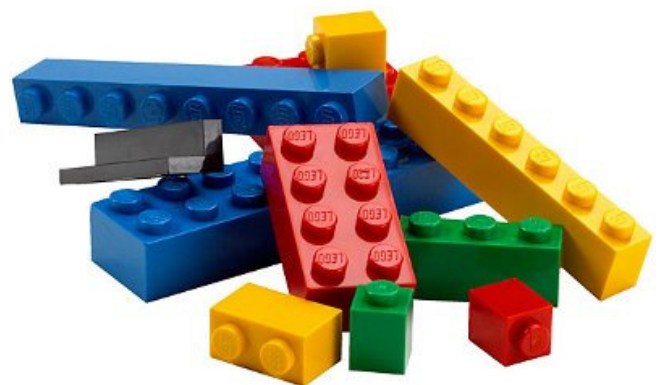
Toys which are absent or under-resourced:

- Diggers / cranes / building site props
- Farm - tractors, trailers, cows, sheep, pigs, chickens, farmer figures
- Garage - with trucks, vans, motorbikes
- Road layout - signs, trees, houses
- Dolls house
- Castle
- Woodland animals
- Fire station / hospital / police station (and figures / vehicles)
- Figures showing injury / race / SEN
- Pasta, rice, dried peas, lentils, animal print fabric, whisks and water wheels for water play.

Toys which we have some of, but more would be great:

- Railway - trains and track (we do have some)
- Small mini figures (Lego/Play mobile is ideal)
- Zoo (we have some animals)
- Water creatures
- Lego

Thank you!



The children in Badgers spent their RE lesson this week making beautiful miniature Easter gardens.

Spring has finally sprung...and with it, the daffodils are flowering in the churchyard. Added to this, it has been noticed that some of the ironwork around the gravestones are worn and potentially quite sharp.

With these thoughts in mind, please would you try and keep the children on the paths outside school, so that we can keep both them, and the daffodils, safe!

Mountain Bike Trials—Years 5-6

Mrs Greig will be holding trials for the upcoming mountain biking competition next Tuesday, 4th April. If your child would like to be considered for the competition they will need their bike and helmet in school at lunchtime.

More money matters

Read on and you will see our fantastic clubs list for next term. It's fantastic to be able to offer such a diverse range of activities, many of them free of charge. However, we need to emphasise the need for payment **in advance** for clubs that require it. Some club leaders are still chasing payments from last term, which is obviously unacceptable. This is also the case for music tuition where tutors continually have to chase for payment of tuition fees. Music Teachers are self-employed and need to protect their income, and can offer a place to a child on their waiting list if payment is not received. Please ensure that all payments are made on time so that these fantastic opportunities remain available for all.



School Diary Dates 2017

| April | |
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| 4 | Mountain biking trials at lunchtime—Y5-6 |
| 4 | Archery competition at Archway 3:15 for 3:30pm start |
| 4 | Country Dancing Festival 6.30—8.00 pm |
| 5 | Kwik Stick Hockey Finals 9:30-2:30pm |
| 6 | Leaving Assembly for Miss Jamfrey 2:15pm |
| 7 | Palm Sunday assembly 9:00am |
| 7 | End of Term 4 - 2:15pm |
| | Duck Race 2.15 onwards |
| 24 | Summer Term begins |
| | Playground Toilet grand opening 2:15pm |
| May | |
| 8-12 | SATS week |
| June/July | |
| 14 | Sports for Schools Paralympian Visit and Sponsored Event |
| 20 | Y5 Experience Day at SWR School |
| 30-2 | Owls' Residential Trip PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE |

Forest School

An exciting opportunity has arisen for us to offer a new after-school Forest School club next term. This will be dependent on interest, and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please use the attached clubs form to register your interest.

Clubs Week Commencing 3rd April

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| Monday | Cross Country Multi Skills R-Y3 |
| Tuesday | Gymnastics Y1-3 Art Adventurers Y4-6 |
| Wednesday | ArtSparks Y1-6 |
| Thursday | French Y3-6 |
| Friday | Football Y3-6 ArtSparks Y1-6 |

No lunchtime sports or hockey next Wednesday due to hockey finals



Horsley School's

Clubs List Summer Term 2017

Please tick the clubs your child wishes to join and return to school. Children should attend each week and meet behaviour expectations. Please notify school if your child will not be attending for any reason.

Term 5 clubs run from Monday 24th April to 26th May 2017, 5 weeks in total

Term 6 clubs run from Monday 5th June to 14th July, 6 weeks in total.

Your Child's Name and Class:

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| Mon | <p>Multi Sports Y1-Y4, 3:20-4:00pm Term 5 (3 weeks only, no club 1st or 15th May) £10.50 per child - please sign up and pay James direct Person in charge – James Jeffery</p> | |
| Tues | <p>Art Adventurers Drawing Club Y2-6 (Term 5 only) Term 5 £20.00 per child, maximum 10 children. Please note this is a <i>drawing</i> club. Person in charge – Elizabeth Barr, please book direct on 07719 440450</p> | |
| | <p>Gymnastics Y1-Y2, 3:20-4:15pm Person in charge – Janine Stone <i>Free – through Government Sports Funding Grant</i></p> | |
| | <p>Cricket (Term 6 only, starts 6th June) Y3-6 3:20-4:15pm Club run through CHANCE TO SHINE/FROCESTER CRICKET CLUB <i>Free</i></p> | |
| Weds | <p>Archery Y3-6 (Term 5 only, ends 24th May) 3:20-4:15pm maximum 18 children Club run by Xperience Archery <i>Free – through Government Sports Funding Grant</i></p> | |
| | <p>Art Sparks Club 3:20-4:15pm Term 5 £20.00 per child, maximum 10 children Person in charge – Liz Lancashire, Tam Inglis</p> | |
| | <p>Netball Y3-6 3:20-4:15pm Club run by Alison Greig & Hayley Walters <i>Free</i></p> | |
| | <p>Tennis Y3-6 (Term 6 only, starts 7th June) 3:20-4:15pm Term 6 £15.00 per child, first session funded by school Person in charge – Megan Butterworth</p> | |
| Thurs | <p>French Y3-4 3:15-4:00pm £5.00 per child to cover resources Person in charge – Gill Cluer</p> | |
| | <p>Dance Y3-6 3:20-4:15pm Term 5 £20.00 per child Term 5, Person in charge – Ginny Burbage</p> | |
| Fri | <p>Junior Field Sports Y3-6 3:20–4:15pm Term 5 £18.00 per child. Person in Charge – James Jeffery Please sign up and pay James direct using forms distributed in book bags</p> | |
| | <p>Forest School Y3-6 – expressions of interest invited Term 5 £25.00 per child – max 10 children Club run by Raffles Forest School Club</p> | |