

The Horsley School Bag

Friday 27th October 2023

Newsletter 4 from Mr Price, Head Teacher

Our value this term is: **Perseverance**



Cauliflowers fluffy and cabbages green...

Thank you to everyone who came to our Harvest Festival assembly last Friday morning. The church felt alive with the children, staff and community all sharing in this celebration of Harvest. The children sang, spoke in other languages, read poems and prayers, and showed artwork, even engaging in a rap battle, to illustrate all their learning about this special time. A special 'well done' to the Foxes children, who showed enthusiasm and real courage as they stood and sang in front of a full church! Thank you to Alice, who played her violin beautifully, as people entered and left the service.



Thank you for all the generous donations of food and other items. Stroud Food Bank collected them on Tuesday, and were very grateful.



MUSIC MARK
SCHOOL
2022 - 2023



We're working
towards Artsmark
Awarded by Arts
Council England



Down on the farm...

On their trip last week, Owls Class learned about the life cycles of plants and animals, including livestock and seasonal vegetables. In addition, they found out more about what it means to be organic and sustainable regarding our food.



Friends of Horsley School News

The Monsters Ball raised a fantastic £559.55 for school. A terror-i-fic effort from Lizzy and her team of ghosts and ghouls! Thank you to them for all their hard work!

Date for your diary - **HORSLEY FIREWORKS** Evening, 3rd November 6-8pm

Tickets are available from Lisa or a member of the team after school at pick up each day, the village shop or on the door.

There will be a fire dancer (performer), BBQ, drinks, children's quiet area and much more!

We need any keen bakers willing to donate a cake or two, please drop them off (anytime from 2pm) on Nov 3rd to the village hall (we appreciate absolutely everyone's efforts in bringing this amazing community event to life).

All proceeds go to Horsley School.



Badgers at Berkeley

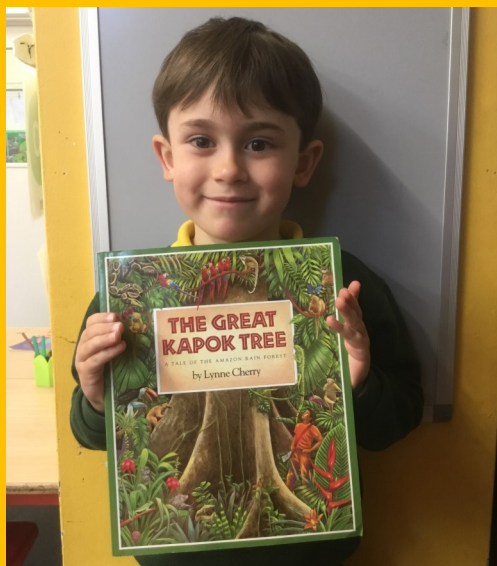


Badgers children experienced how it felt to be the kings and queens of the castle last week! They learnt ballroom dancing in the Great Hall, shared a pretend banquet, felt the weight of a chainmail suit, looked down at the prisoners in the scary, cobwebby dungeon, and enjoyed a nature treasure hunt.

They also collected some amazing vocabulary to use for their hot writes!



The latest 'In it to win it' winner is Freddie



Congratulations to everybody else who achieved 100% in their spellings this week!

Cleaner needed!

Our cleaning contractor is seeking to replace our cleaner. If there is anybody interested, do contact Caroline James on 07799 886280 or carolinejames@glencleaning.co.uk



Congratulations to our latest Special Award Winners

Rachel, Laurie, Nancy, Martha, Billy, Ethan, Kitty and Billy
Evie, Reggie, Ryder, Clara, Alice and Otto



Diary Dates Autumn Term 2023

Nov

- 3 Fireworks Night on the field, 6.00- 8.00pm (tickets for sale at the shop, or on the night)
- 14 Open Morning, 9.30-11.30am
- 15 Open Morning, 9.30-11.30am
- 16 Geography Open Morning 9.00-10.15am
- 17 Children in Need Day (more info to follow)
- 23 Flu immunisations - whole school
- 24

Dec

- 12 Nativity production, 2.00pm, in church. All welcome.
- 13 School Christmas Dinner
Nativity production, 6.00pm, in church. All welcome.
- 19 Christingle Service, 6.00-7.00pm, in church. All welcome.
- 20 Whole-school panto trip (afternoon, late pick-up time to be confirmed)
- 22 End of term, 12.15pm



Summer Term 2024

April

- 12 Otters class swimming starts

May

- 3 May Day celebrations
- 6 May Day Bank Holiday
- 13 SATs Week (Year 6)

June

- 3 Multiplication Test Check Week (Year 4)
- 10 Phonics Screening Week (Year 1)
- 25 New Reception parent info evening, 6.00pm
- 27 Parent Drop-in evening, 3.30-5.00pm

July

- 1-4 Owls class residential to Viney Hill
- 9 KS2 End of Year production, 6.00pm
- 10 KS2 End of Year production, 6.00pm
- 12 Sports Day
- 16 Move-up morning
- 17 Sports Day (reserve date)
- 19 Leavers' Assembly, 11.00am. All welcome.
- End of term, 12.15pm



Spring Term 2024

Jan

- 9-12 Epiphany Week
- 12 Owls class swimming starts

Feb

- 6 Chamber Concert, in church, 6.00-7.00pm

Mar

- 7 World Book Day
- 12 Parents' Evening 3.30-5.00pm
- 14 Parents' Evening 5.00-7.00pm
- 15 Comic Relief
- 22 Easter Passion assembly. All welcome.
- End of term, 12.15pm



Term Dates



2023/2024 Academic Year Dates

Term 1: Wed 6 Sep - Fri 27 Oct 2023

Term 2: Tues 7 Nov - Fri 22 Dec 2023

Term 3: Tue 9 Jan - Fri 9 Feb 2024

Term 4: Mon 19 Feb - Fri 22 Mar 2024

Term 5: Tue 9 Apr - Fri 24 May 2024

Term 6: Mon 3 Jun - Fri 19 July 2024



INSET days this year

Mon 4 Sep 2023

Tue 5 Sep 2023

Mon 6 Nov 2023

Mon 8 Jan 2024

Mon 22 July 2024

Attendance and Safeguarding

Below are the attendance figures for all classes for this academic year to date.

Our Local Authority attendance threshold for persistent absence is 95%.

	Attendance (%)	Lates (after 8:55am)	Unauthorised Absence
Foxes	88.95	5	1
Badgers	92.92	1	1
Otters	88.57	3	14
Owls	91.85	3	0

Safeguarding

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2023/24

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER						
Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	6	13	20	27	
Tues	5	12	19	26	Tues	3	10	17	24	31	Tues	7	14	21	28	
Wed	6	13	20	27	Wed	4	11	18	25	Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thur	7	14	21	28	Thur	5	12	19	26	Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	Fri	6	13	20	27	Fri	3	10	17	24	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	7	14	21	28	Sat	4	11	18	25	
Sun	3	10	17	24	Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY						
Mon	4	11	18	25	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	Mon	5	12	19	26	
Tues	5	12	19	26	Tues	2	9	16	23	30	Tues	6	13	20	27	
Wed	6	13	20	27	Wed	3	10	17	24	31	Wed	7	14	21	28	
Thur	7	14	21	28	Thur	4	11	18	25	Thur	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	Fri	5	12	19	26	Fri	2	9	16	23	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	6	13	20	27	Sat	3	10	17	24	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	7	14	21	28	Sun	4	11	18	25	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY						
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JUNE					JULY					AUGUST						
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Term Time		Holidays	
Bank Holiday		Inset Days	

Term 1: Mon 4 th Sept – Fri 27 th Oct 2023	40 days
Term 2: Mon 6 th Nov – Fri 22 nd Dec 2023	35 days
Term 3: Mon 8 th Jan - Fri 9 th Feb 2024	25 days
Term 4: Mon 19 th Feb – Fri 22 nd Mar 2024	25 days
Term 5: Mon 8 th April – Fri 24 th May 2024	34 days
Term 6: Mon 3 rd June – Mon 22 nd July 2024	36 days
Total	195 days*

Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2023 26 th December 2023
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2024
Good Friday	29 th March 2024
Easter Monday	1 st April 2024
Early May Bank Holiday	6 th May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 th May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 th August 2024

*195 days are defined as "School days". In the school year 2023/24 pupils must attend for 190 days. Schools may decide individually or collectively which 5 days in the year are INSET or non-contact days (days pupils do not need to attend).

Please Note: Schools considering alternative dates or considering changes to their school opening times may wish to contact our Transport Team to discuss transport implications and contact local childcare providers to discuss what impact this could have.



UK Health
Security
Agency

NHS

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



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Advice and guidance

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



Forest Green Rovers
Community

FGR SOCCER CAMPS

**3 DAYS OF SOCCER CAMPS
IN THE HALF TERM**

31ST OCTOBER @ FGR

9:30 - 13:00

1ST NOVEMBER @ REDNOCK

9:30 - 13:00

2ND NOVEMBER @ FGR

9:30 - 13:00

VERY LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE EMAIL:

COMMUNITY@FGR.CO.UK OR SCAN THE QR CODE





FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

HORSLEY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELD 6PM-8PM

**FIREWORKS - KAI THE MAGNIFICENT PERFORMER - QUIET CRAFT AREA - FACE
PAINTING – BBQ SUPPLIED BY THE CHAMPION SAUSAGE COMPANY– DRINKS**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT HORSLEY VILLAGE SHOP OR PAY ON THE DOOR - £5 ADULTS, £3 CHILD,
£15 FAMILY TICKET (FAMILY OF 5)**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HORSLEY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
LIMITED PARKING, PLEASE WALK WHERE POSSIBLE.



Horsley Playgroup Christmas Fair

Sunday 26th November

2-4pm

Horsley Village Hall

Christmas Jumper Sale

Cakes

Mince pies and Mulled Wine

Fun and Games

Crafts

Free Entry

All stalls cash only

