NORTH HEATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL ERICA WAY HORSHAM WEST SUSSEX RH12 5XL

Friday 15 September 2023

Dear Parent/s/Carer/s,

Newsletter 2

Settling In

We are absolutely delighted with how the pupils have come back to school! They are smart, attentive and polite. Special praise goes to YR, who are so well settled and full of inquisitive energy! Junior pupils are also having lots of fun with the new markings on the top playground. Break and lunchtimes are healthy, creative and active – lovely to see.

Volunteers

Thank you to all who currently volunteer to help with our school. You have an important role in helping us provide for the children. Volunteers require a North Heath DBS. Getting a DBS is very simple, does not take long and is fully funded by the school. If you are able to help with Y1 reading groups in particular, please let us know and contact the office, who will guide you through the process.

Volunteers also need to attend an annual safeguarding update at school. The next date for volunteers is Monday 9 October from 2.30 – 3.15 PM. Please let the office know if you are attending by Thursday 5 October so that training packs can be made up for you.

School Day

A handful of pupils are arriving a little too late for the register. This disrupts their learning and the learning of others. Please remember that we open at 8.40 AM so that the register can be taken at 8.45 AM.

Bikes and Scooters

Pupils, parent/s/carer/s and younger/older siblings are not to ride bikes or scooters at any time of the day on the school grounds – we have already had 2 complaints about this. Please dismount at the entrance gate.

Reminders

- 1. Ball games are not allowed before or after school
- 2. Hair wraps need to be removed
- 3. Hair at shoulder length or longer, should be tied back in school
- 4. Ideally, earrings should be removed for PE
- 5. Dogs are not allowed on site
- 6. Children are not to play on classroom steps at any time
- 7. Please do not park across the driveways that belong to our neighbours

Dates – updates in red

Below are some dates for your diaries, which we will add to as we go along. We hope that you find the early notification of use.

September 2023		
18	Y3 Swimming	
21	6.00 – 7.00 PM – Y6 Fairthorne Assembly – Hall	
October 2023		
2 – 6 NHS Y6 Heights and Weights Week		
9	7.00 – 9.00 PM – FONH AGM in Y6 Mulberry Class	
5	NHS Flu/Nasal Spray	
11	3.30 – 6.00 PM Parents' Evening 1	
12	School Photographs	
12	4.00 – 7.00 PM Parents' Evening 2	
16	Y4 to Bignor Roman Villa	
17	Harvest Festival – please bring donations to the hall by 9.00 AM	
19	5.30 – 7.00 PM – Letters and Sounds Evening for YR and Y1	
19	Parent/s/Carer/s	
18 - 20	Y5 to Sayers Croft	
20	Y2 Rainbow Theatre Visit	
23 - 27	Half Term	
November 2023		
2	6.00 – 7.00 PM – YR 6 Weeks in Meeting for Parent/s/Carer/s	
6	10.00 – 11.00 AM – YR 2024 – 25 Parent Tours	
9	5.30 – 7.00 PM – Showcase Evening for Reception Pupils 2024/5	
13	10.00 – 11.00 AM – YR 2024 – 25 Parent Tours	
14	Y1 Toy Workshop Day	
16	6.00 – 7.00 PM – Y5 Sayers Croft Assembly – Hall	
20 and 22	West Sussex Fire and Rescue Visit YR, 1, 2	
27	2.45 – 3.05 PM – Y4 Larch Clarinet Performance to Parent/s/Carer/s	
28	1.45 – 2.45 PM – Y3/4 Christmas Performance to Grandparents	
29	6.00 – 7.00 PM – Y3/4 Christmas Performance to Hazel/Lime	
30	9.30 – 10.15 AM –YR Christmas Performance to Grandparents	
	6.00 – 7.00 PM – Y3/4 Christmas Performance to Willow/Larch	
December 2023		
1	9.30 – 10.15 AM – YR Christmas Performance to Parent/s/Carer/s	
4	1.45 – 2.45 PM – Y1/2 Christmas Performance to Grandparents	
7	9.30 – 10.30 AM – Y1/2 Christmas Performance to Chestnut/Elder	
8	9.30 – 10.30 AM – Y1/2 Christmas Performance to Oak/Silver Birch	
11	1.30 – 3.00 PM – Y5/6 Grandparents at St Mark's Church	
12	6.30 – 7.45 PM – Y5/6 Parent/s/Carer/s, Siblings at St Mark's Church	
15	Last Day of Term	
18/12 - 1/1	Christmas Break	
January 2024		
2	Inset Day	
3	Pupils Return for the Spring Term	
10	Jenny McLachlan – Author Visit – KS2	
29/1 - 2/2	Y6 Bikeability Week	
February 2024		
9	Last Day of Half Term	
12 - 16	Half Term	
22	Young Shakespeare Company Visit Y4 – Y6	
_	March	
7	World Book Day	
18	2.45 – 3.05 PM – Y4 Lime Clarinet Performance to Parent/s/Carer/s	
28	Inset Day	
April		
1 – 12 Easter Break		
6	May Pank Holiday	
6	Bank Holiday	
27 - 31	Half Term	
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June		
3	Inset Day	
July		
7	Horsham Children's Parade	

Class Assemblies – reminder

The following class assemblies will take place from 9.00 - 9.30 AM on Thursdays this term, with parent/carer entrance via the hall doors:

5 October Y4 Larch 19 October Y4 Lime 2 November Y3 Willow 9 November Y3 Hazel

YR External Works

Finally, some really positive news! As you can see by the photograph below, the YR outdoor project is coming on nicely. The flooring has gone down this week and the main structure will be completed by next Wednesday before the shutters are installed. We'll keep you updated as the project moves forward.



Kind regards

M Gildea Headteacher