

Newsletter - Term 3

January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,



I'd like to start this newsletter by wishing you all a very happy, healthy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed the holiday with your children. We were very glad to be able to return to school after the break, to continue face-to-face teaching. I think it's fair to say that 2021 certainly held its challenges for all of us, as parents, teachers and for the children themselves too. We are obviously still facing difficulties and challenges with the pandemic but please be assured, we are continuing to closely monitor Government guidelines and take every precaution we can to ensure your children's safety and wellbeing.

The new term and year have started well, our children have been happy to see their friends and have generally settled back into learning. From next week, if your child is isolating but is well enough to do some school work, please contact the school office and we will provide this for you.

I am pleased to announce and welcome two additional staff members in the office, Mrs Kimber and Mrs Morley. They both have children attending our school so will be known to many of you already!

Website

We have been doing a lot of background work on our website – you might like to have a look www.horncastleprimary.co.uk as it contains lots of useful information. It is still work in progress and we'll be adding to it over the coming months, but I think you'll agree it looks great!

PTA

I would like to officially say thank you to our PTA for all their fundraising efforts last year, it was great to be able to have a Christmas Fayre and I know how much hard work went into its organisation. The Christmas Jumper Swap was a brilliant idea and lots of us benefitted from it! Funds raised by the PTA all directly benefit our children, so thank you too, for your support.

A Few Handy Reminders:

School Arrival - school gates open at 8.40 am, children should arrive between 8.40 am and 8.55 am, for registration. We do understand that occasionally things happen, but as a rule please bring children on time – it is disruptive for staff and children when others are repeatedly late.

PE Protocols - On PE Days, children should come to school wearing their PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts/joggers/leggings and trainers/plimsolls). A jumper from home is fine. Long hair must be tied back and earrings should be removed (children can do this themselves if they are able).

School Lunches - Farm Kitchen lunches can be ordered up to 3.00 pm on Tuesday, for meals taken the following week. There are some special days coming up: Thursday 20th January is a 'Find the Winning Golden Ticket' day and 31st January is a 'Chinese New Year' menu. More details are on their website www.thefarmkitchen.com

Finally, Mr Bladon is still unwell but is hoping to return to school soon. Thank you to everyone who has sent him good wishes!

Mrs Cox



Diary Dates, Spring 2022

Tuesday 8 th February	- Safer Internet Day
Weds 9 th February	- Weight and Height Check (Reception and Y6 children)
Thursday 3 rd March	- World Book Day
Weds 9 th (3.30 – 5.30 pm)	- Parents' Evening
Thurs 10 th March (3.30 – 7.30 pm)	- Parents' Evening
Friday 11 th March	- Science Day

PE Days

Nursery	- Tuesday and Friday
Reception	- Friday
Year 1	- Monday and Wednesday
Year 2	- Tuesday and Thursday
Year 3	- Monday and Friday
Year 4	- Wednesday and Friday
Year 5	- Tuesday and Thursday
Year 6	- Wednesday and Thursday

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