

Weekly Newsletter

7th November 2022

Dear parents and carers,

It was a busy and exciting first week back in school. The children enjoyed a day of outdoor learning last Thursday and our Y5 and Y6 children were invited to an interactive concert at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School. Please take a look at a few of our highlights...



Y5 Y6 Singsation

In partnership with Lincolnshire Music Service, QEGS hosted 'Singsation' an interactive concert for year 5 and 6 primary pupils along with Hayley Sanderson, one of the vocalists from Strictly Come on Wednesday 2nd November. Our pupils had a fantastic time and we would like to thank the parents that kindly volunteered to assist in walking our children to and from the event.



Y2 Tudor Houses

Before half term our Y2 children invited their family in to help build some fantastic Tudor houses out of junk modelling! We were impressed by everyone's efforts!



Thursday 3rd November – Outdoor Learning Day

The whole school enjoyed a day of learning outdoors on Thursday, the weather was a big soggy but this didn't dampen their spirits and a good day was had by all!



What do PTA Kids do after school?



Well this fabulous bunch has been to accept a cheque for an amazing £2296.36 from the National Co-Op today.

We were lucky enough to be selected as one of their local causes last year. We applied to the cause to help us raise funds to be able to help redevelop the KS1 playgrounds. This money will pay for the new playbark and fencing amongst other things.

PTA Cake Sale

This will be held on Monday 7th November, after school. Any donations of cake, (be it shop bought or homemade) would be hugely appreciated please. Your donations can be left with the office staff on Monday morning. Please make sure your child's name and class are on your donations as they will be entered into a prize draw. Please remember we are a nut free school.

The Big PTA Cash Draw

We have signed up to The Big PTA Cash Draw. This is similar to The Big Summer Raffle we entered earlier in the year, when we had one lucky parent winning over £3000.

The tickets for this draw are £3 each, each ticket is entered to 6 draws with the chance to win upto £5000 per draw.

The PTA will receive 50% of all ticket sales purchased via our link, we have a target to sell 250 tickets. For more details or to get your ticket please click the link below

bigptaraffle.co.uk/support/horncastle-cp-school-ln9

Parents Evening

Bookings for Parents evening are now open, please book online at parents-booking.co.uk/login.jsp

Parents Evening will be held in School on Wednesday 16th November: 3.40 pm – 5.30 pm and Thursday 17th November: 3.40 pm – 7.30 pm. The appointments will be face to face, however, phone calls are available if preferred (please state that you would like a phone call and add your contact number in the comments section if you would prefer this option).

Poppy Appeal

We have a box of poppies and other merchandise, raising money for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. Some of our Y6 children will be selling items during school collection times and they will also take the boxes around to the classrooms. You may wish to send your child in with some money if they would like to purchase any items.

Dates to Remember

Mon 7th November – PTA Bake Sale

Weds 9th November School Book Fair opens in the Upper School Hall

Weds 16th November: Parents' Evening 3.40 pm – 5.30 pm

Thurs 17th November: Parents' Evening 3.40 pm – 7.30 pm

Fri 18th November: Children In Need – Non-uniform day

Sat 26th November 11am – 1pm

Weds 30th November 4pm – 5pm

Fri 9th December: Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day - *available to order now, via Farm Kitchen!*

AUTUMN 2022 (69 school days)

Term 1: 7 weeks

School starts on **Monday 5th September 2022**

School closes for half term on **Thursday 20th October 2022**

Half Term Holiday:

Friday 21st October 2022 – Friday 28th October 2022

Term 2: 7 weeks

School starts on **Monday 31st October 2022**

School closes for Christmas holiday on **Friday 16th December 2022**

SPRING 2023 (57 school days)

Term 3: 5.5 weeks

School starts on **Wednesday 4th January 2023**

School closes for half term on **Thursday 9th February 2023**

Half Term Holiday:

Friday 10th February 2023 – Friday 17th February 2023

Term 4: 6 weeks

School starts on **Monday 20th February 2023**

School closes for Easter holiday on **Friday 31st March 2023**

SUMMER 2023 (63 school days)

Term 5: 6 weeks

School starts on **Tuesday 18th April 2023**

May Day Bank Holiday Closure on Monday 1st May 2023

School closes for half term on **Friday 26th May 2023**

Half Term Holiday:

Monday 29th May 2023 - Friday 2nd June 2023

Term 6: 7 weeks

School starts on **Monday 5th June 2023**

School closes for the summer holiday on **Friday 21st July 2023**

Total: 189 school days for pupils

INSET Days (Statutory Staff Training Days) 2022/23:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Friday 21st October 2022

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Friday 10th February 2023 (Wellspring Festival of Learning)

Monday 17th April 2023