Huxley CE Primary School Newsletter

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Looking back, stepping forward.

Dear Parents,

Another week passed and what a week!

The children started their whole school topic 'Step back in time' and what wonderful things we have discovered about Huxley CE Primary School! The children were engrossed in old school maps, log books, teaching guides and even corporate punishment books! A great start to the topiclooking at old and new and making comparisons

I had the enormous pleasure of being invited to church to welcome our new Vicar and her family at her inauguration service on Monday evening. I read out a poem that the 'Friday children' had written which was about 'new starts' and it was so well received. It was lovely to meet so many people from the villages of Huxley and Hargrave and to hear the support we have as a school. Everyone is rooting for us to be a success!

You should have now received your curriculum newsletters and parental questionnaires regarding home learning and hopefully by the end of today you will have received your Showbie password. Apologies for the slight delay there was a slight system error with Acorns class and I didn't want to send only half out. Showbie are sorting it now for me.

If you haven't already, can you return your data collection sheets so that we can add this important information onto the system and we can start to share photos of your children in action once permissions have been granted. We have lots to show you already!

The morning and afternoon routine seems to be working well and I have really enjoyed having the opportunity to talk to you properly on the playground rather than through a gate. I know the staff have enjoyed having this precious handover time too. Please know that all our staff are available to talk to you about your child. If you require a longer discussion, please do not hesitate to book an appointment with your class teachers and/or TA's.

Another reminder about wellies. Please ensure your children have wellies/boots in school for wet play and that they are named.

Lunches-Please bear with us with the menu options/choices. There have been further alterations, so we are just waiting on confirmed menus going forward.



Wíth God's love we can fly

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2021

October 12th- Open day- New / prospective parents only- small groups will be allocated to time slots due to COVID risk

October 22nd – End of Autumn 1 Term

November 1st- INSET day

November 2nd – start of Autumn 2 Term

December 11th – Christmas Fayre

*These may later change, or new dates may be added-see messages or emails for updates

Note from HUXLEY TOTS

Currently Huxley Tots is on Tuesdays at 9.15 in the school hall or on the field.

They are interested to see if a different day suits people better so please contact them through their Facebook Page and they will consider the best date going forwards

What have we been up to?

Acorns-

This week in Acorn class, tragedy struck! Our class boat whilst merrily sailing around the school hall, encountered a storm! Don't worry we swam to a nearby desert island, phew! Whilst we were there, we learnt about what we need to survive, breathed fresh seaside air and enjoyed a drink and a piece of fruit. What a very scientific adventure!

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Oaks-

The Oaks class watched a rather funny video about the digestive system in science and also became true historians whilst exploring different source materials. The children compared old floor and grounds maps of the school and discovered water tanks and wells under the school grounds. Mr Thelwell has said we may be able to look at the well- how exciting! The children couldn't believe the record keeping and diary entries they read. A really good 'hook' into history.

Full timers- The children watched the story called Fowley's Wings and learnt the importance of self-belief and aiming high; achieving dreams. We gained our wings (we made stained glass effect wings to wear) and decorated them with our dreams and aspirations. On Friday last week we made bug hotels for our newly cleared section next to the treehouse.





Many thanks this week goes to our office administrator, Miss Lloyd. She has been working tirelessly to ensure all children are on our systems and enrolled fully. It is an enormous job but she does it all with a huge smile on her face! She has also been helping me in the kitchens- we had 5 tables out at lunch for the first time in many years. There was a lot of washing up!

Big thanks to our Teaching Assistants too as yesterday was National Teaching Assistant Day! Well done Mrs Warhurst and Miss Jen.



Have a lovely weekend, Take care Mrs Gourley

Reflection Point/Quote-

Don't stain today's blue sky with tomorrow's grey cloud!