Huxley CE Primary School Newsletter





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Once upon a Story Tent...

Dear Parents,

This week seems to have flown by!

Yesterday we had The Story Tent company in for our Reception pupils and new starters for September. It was a lovely event. We had a lovely write up from her on her Facebook page -



It was an absolute joy to join the Early Years team at Huxley CE Primary this morning & what a fabulous setting!

This is the first Flexi-school I have come across and I have to say I just love their approach and ethos.

We will definitely have her back next year!

Next week is normal day Monday and Tuesday but then Strike Days Wednesday and Friday. Thursday is *meant* to be our Sports and family afternoon but the weather keeps changing. We have chatted as a team and have put in a backup day should the rain put an end to play- the backup day is going to be the 20th July- last day for Flexi children. We are really hoping that we can have it next week but if the field is too wet and slippery and the grass cut and running track cannot be done then we may have to move it. Fingers crossed but I will keep you updated.

A note from staff- please can the children not bring toys from home in to school. We keep getting tears from children who have mislaid or broken their toys from home whilst at school. We were searching on our hands and knees for a tiny figure that was lost on the field last week! We have lots of things for the children to play with at school and don't want them to be upset! I appreciate your support with this.

Unfortunately, we had no one at our SEND coffee morning this week- Mrs Atkinson was very lonelythis is the first coffee morning we have had with no attendees. We do however understand there have been a lot of parent events recently... next year I will send out a year overview of coffee morning and event dates in September so everyone can plan ahead.

Attendance — I just wanted to say a **huge well done** to everyone! I shared our attendance data with our IEB and they were very pleased and asked to pass on the congratulations. Most children are now meeting attendance targets -which is amazing and the difference between this time last year and now is excellent! We are still keeping a close eye on lateness for some children. For the next few weeks, we will be opening gates a little earlier so we can make sure staff and children are in class, settled and starting at 8.45am in preparation for September- to tie in with our new attendance policy which starts in September. *Our times are not changing* but what we were finding is the welcome in the morning was starting to stretch into learning time for some families. We are hoping that with the gates open earlier the parents and children have time then to say goodbyes, and parents to catch teachers for any early morning messages etc so that the teachers can take the children in at the right time.

Have a lovely weekend

Many thanks

Mrs Gourley

DIARY DATES 2023

6th July -SPORTS DAY and family fun! New reception starters welcome

11th July- School reports out/ SATs results day Y6

12th July- Cathedral Leavers event (Y6 pupils only)

12th July- Wellbeing Event for all children (don't want to ruin the surprise with too much detail!)

13th July- Ukrainian Dance Workshops

13th July Stay and play for New starters (Reception 23-24) 8.45-11.45

19th July –LEAVERS assembly- all welcome!

20th- Last day of summer term for flexi's

20th Back up day for sports day

21st July- Last day of summer term for full time pupils 2pm finish

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

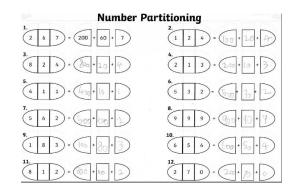
Story Tents-EYFS



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W/C 25th June - This week's nature study theme was Blossoms. We looked for blossoms turning into fruit on our nature walk and also for fruit that was growing and we spoke about the role of the flower and pollinators in helping to grow food. When we got home we wrote in our nature journals, read the poem Love and Friendship by Emily Bronte and discussed the art work Study Of A Wild Rose by John Ruskin.

