

HOOTON PAGNELL ALL SAINTS PRIMARY October School News



Looking back at September

What a start to the new school year it has been - busy but that's definitely the way we like it!

We hope by now your children are in a good routine and happy and settled in their new classes with their new members of staff.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact class teachers on dojo - we're always happy to help.



Attendance Matters

Good attendance is so important. We want to do our best for all our young people and believe that regular attendance at school is vital for children as it promotes good learning, positive attitudes and maintains continuity in their education and in their friendships. Children should be at school, on time, every day the school is open unless the reason is unavoidable.

Sickness/ Absence

If your child is unwell, please inform the office first thing in the morning. There is an answer machine available to leave a message if the phone is not answered. Please phone on each day of absence.

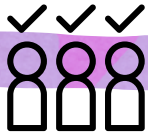
Holidays

We do not authorise holidays in term time. Holidays taken will be marked as unauthorised and may be subject to a fixed penalty fine. Should you decide to take a holiday during term time, we ask that a School Absence Request Form is completed.

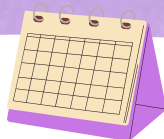
We will endeavour to provide an environment where all pupils feel valued and welcome. For a child to reach their full educational achievement, a high level of school attendance is essential. We will consistently work towards a goal of 100% attendance for all children.

Please follow this link to read more information about our attendance policy on our school website.

https://www.hpcofe.co.uk/_files/ugd/6a8256_303b79dc6f104f7da45c2eca64d87972.pdf



Key Dates



- 10/10 - World Mental Health Day
- 19/10 - Read, write inc parent session 1
- 21/10 - Inset day (no children in school)
- 24/10 - Half Term begins
- 31/10 - All children and staff back to school
- 31/10 - First competency unit starts for each class
- 3/11 - Read, write inc parent session 2
- 7/11 - Read, write inc parent session 3
- 9/11 - Flu vaccinations (more details to follow)
- 11/11 - Remembrance Assembly for pupils
- 21/11 - All pupils to start new topic linked to 'culture'
- 23/11 - Flu Vaccination Catch-up
- 25/11 - Class Newsletters
- 9/12 - Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
- 14/12 - Pantomime at Cast (all pupils)
- 14/12 - Buffet lunch and party day

Wanted: pots and pans!



Miss Headley and the Explorers are wanting to add to their outdoor music area. If you have any pots and pans that you no longer need, these would be perfect for this. Please hand them into the office or directly to Miss Headley.



Chocolate Raffle

A note from Mrs Sanderson

I've had a great idea to do some fund raising for school, to buy extra play provision (you know I only like neutral themed items 😂)

I've decided to hold a chocolate raffle - who doesn't love chocolate?

Please could you send in any chocolate related items (e.g. hot chocolate, chocolate bars, chocolate cakes etc), which we will raffle off later in the term. Send your items to the office or directly to me - I'll try not to eat them before the raffle! 😊

As always - thank you for your support - I know we can do this! 🌟



Read, Write Inc

Parents of Explorers and other children accessing Read Write Inc across school...

You are invited to attend a Read Write Inc phonics sessions, where you will be able to watch how reading and spelling is being taught to your children.

We have timetabled 3 events but you only need to attend one and the dates are below. Mrs Sanderson will contact you with more information.

Free School Meals

Some pupils are eligible for free school dinners. To check if this applies, please see the following and fill in the application form.

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/free-school-meals>

Please do this even if your child is in Reception or years 1 and 2, as it could mean more funding for school.



Uniform

Please make sure that pupils are wearing **PLAIN BLACK** shoes or trainers on uniform days. On PE days, they can wear any suitable trainers.

We all love fashion, but please could you make sure that school skirts and shorts/ PE shorts (ie Nike Pro) are not too short so that they are appropriate for the activities in school.

What to bring each day



- Water Bottles
- Reading Book
- Reading Card



The children do not need to bring any stationery item as we provide everything that they will need. They should not bring any toys or sports equipment (e.g. footballs).



Dojo



Remember to check Dojo regularly as we try our best to keep it up to date with the most recent information and celebrations of our learning. Please note that staff do not get notifications in the evenings or at weekends so, if you send a message, they may not respond straight away. If you haven't already, follow us on twitter (@HPCOFE) and facebook (Hooton Pagnell All Saints C of E Primary School)

Please make sure that all clothing (especially jumpers, cardigans and sports tops worn on PE days) are clearly labelled.

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