



Horn's Mill
Primary School
Newsletter
Fri 24th Sept

Afterschool clubs...

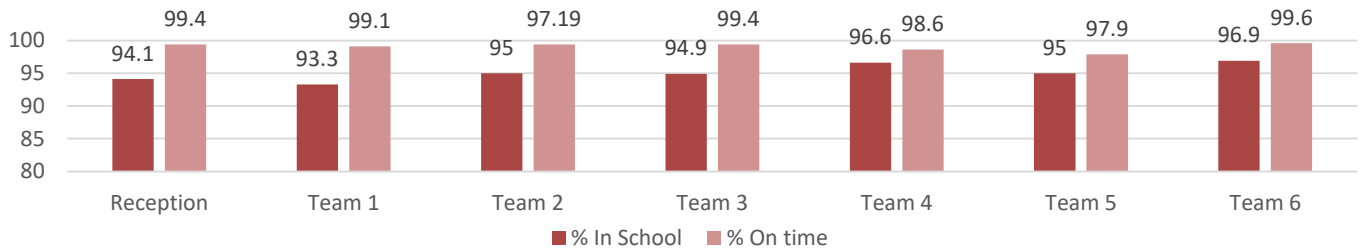


After school clubs will start next week and we are excited to see how our new plans work. There are a few paid spaces left if you would like to book a second club for any of your children. Please contact Deb in the office with any questions!



Attendance and Punctuality...

Well done to Team 6 this week who won BOTH of the awards! 😊



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

Artsmark Award...



Mrs Caroe and I attended training so that we can begin to work towards gaining a re-accreditation of our current Silver Artsmark Award – this year we are going for gold! Please follow our Instagram account which is keeping a record of all the wonderful creative activity that is happening at our school. @hmillschool



Helsby Art Project...

We are very lucky to be the only school chosen by an artist who has been commissioned by Helsby Parish Council to be involved in a community project "The Art of Here." It aims to bring the community together through art and will culminate in some kind of installation in the village. Team 5 are taking the lead, and we are excited to see where this open ended project goes.



COVID 19 Update...



So far this term, we are very relieved that Covid 19 has not caused significant disruption to our school. This is not the pattern across all Cheshire West schools, so we are anticipating that we may have more cases at some point. To reassure you all, we still have enhanced cleaning and ventilation in place in school and children are not fully mixing in bubbles. When they are, this is predominantly outside. During assemblies and lunchtimes, children are in the hall together, but sitting in their bubbles. We have a plan in place, should cases start to rise and we will keep you updated of any changes as usual.



Hospital Pyjamas...



One of our lovely mums from Team 3 is very excited, as she has become a coordinator for The Children's Hospital Pyjamas Charity. This charity aims to spread love through comfort by donating brand new pairs of pyjamas to poorly children in hospitals, hospices and women's refuges. Lisa (Seb's Mum) will be collecting brand new pyjamas for children aged from newborn to 18 years. These will then be donated to the

Hospital in time for Christmas. If you would like to donate to this lovely charity, then please drop a pair of new PJs in the school office before October 22nd (half term) and Lisa will ensure they get sorted in time for Xmas drop off. If it is easier she has also setup up an amazon wish list, where PJ's can be purchased online and will be sent directly to her. The link is here:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/394ISJF6P6KCK?ref=wl_share

The small gift of a Brand New pair of PJ's really does make a difference to the Child/Teen in Hospital at such a scary time. In addition to our donations, she will also be sending 2 Comfort Hearts with every pair of PJ's so one heart can be given to their family and one can stay with the child. So no matter their illness or injury they will be together ♥ We all appreciate there is a lot going on at the moment, but it would be wonderful to be able to collect as many pairs as possible for this amazing cause.

Mrs Julie Colquitt...

It is with much sadness that I can let you know that Julie Colquitt our business manager is retiring this term. She has been a great asset to our school during her time with us; creating great opportunities for the children by managing our school finances so effectively and making the most of our sometimes limited resources. We will miss her very much, but wish her much happiness and fun-times in her retirement.



Chester FC – FREE Season Ticket...



I am delighted to confirm that this week, we have been successful in our application for a FREE Family Season Ticket at Chester FC! Our ticket is available from TOMORROW, Saturday 25th Sept, and for all future games. If you would like to have a turn at using the season ticket at any point (including tomorrow) please call the school office and we will make sure that everyone who wants one, gets a turn! It is for a family of four, two adults and two children. You can find a current fixture list on the club's website at www.chesterfc.com/fixtures-results.

Dates for your diary ...



Along with the Friends of Horn's Mill, we have been busy planning an exciting term of events for the children. I guess there has to be a caveat to all of these dates, that there is still an element of uncertainty around what will happen with COVID, but for now we are ploughing on optimistically! So...here we go! 😊

European Day of Languages Day	Mon 27 th Sept	OPEN EVENING – All Year Groups – Families welcome to visit classrooms, meet teachers informally and look at children's books.	Tues 16 th Nov 5.30-6.30pm
Clubs start (more info to follow)	Mon 27 th Sept	Flu Vaccinations	Fri 19 th Nov
ECB Cricket Coaching Y5 and 6	Thurs 30 th Sept	Team 3 and 4 Visit to Manchester Christmas Markets	Wed 24 th Nov
Harvest Assembly and Big Cheese	Fri 1 st Oct	Non Uniform Day – Christmas Rainbow Hamper Donations please	Fri 26 th Nov
OPEN MORNINGS for new Reception Places in September 2022	Mon 4 th Oct Wed 6 th Oct	Team 2 Visit – The Christmas Journey	Wed 1 st Dec
Parents Evenings this week – Dates to follow for zoom meetings with teachers	Mon 11 th – Thurs 14 th Oct	Non Uniform Day – Bring a Bottle for Tombola at Christmas Fair	Friday 3 rd Dec
Team 5 One night Residential (more information to follow)	Mon 11 th and Tues 12 th Oct	Ho Ho Helsby	Sat 4 th Dec
Individual and Family Photos	Thurs 14 th Oct	Team 1 and 2 Christmas Performance	Mon 6 th Dec 6pm
Whole School Maths Day – "Maths in Space!"	Mon 18 th Oct	Reception Christmas Performance	Wed 8 th Dec 9.15am
DFE Filming exemplification materials with Miss Steen and Mrs Jobber	Tues 19 th and Wed 20 th Oct	Team 3 and 4 Host Horn's Mill Christmas Markets and Singing	Wed 8 th Dec 2pm
Team 5 Class Assembly 9.10-9.30am	Thurs 21 st Oct	Christmas Fair	Fri 10 th Dec 5-7pm
Break up for Half Term	Fri 22 nd Oct	Team 5 and 6 Carol Concert at St Paul's Church	Mon 13 th Dec 6pm
INSET DAY	Mon 1 st Nov	School Christmas Lunch	Tues 14 th Dec
Back to School	Tues 2 nd Nov	Visit from Santa and Party Day	Wed 15 th Dec
Halloween Disco (TBC)	Tues 2 nd Nov	Hamper Draw	Thurs 16 th Dec
Reception children and family visit to Delamere	Wed 3 rd Nov	Break up for Christmas	Fri 17 th Dec
Team 4 Class Assembly 9.10 – 9.30am	Wed 10 th Nov	Back to School	Tues 4 th Jan
Children in Need	Fri 12 th Nov		



And finally...

I already feel exhausted after typing all those dates! Here's to a wonderful Christmas! 😊
Have great weekend everyone.

Kind regards,

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And finally