



Horn's Mill
Primary School
Newsletter
Fri 15th Oct

INSET DAY...

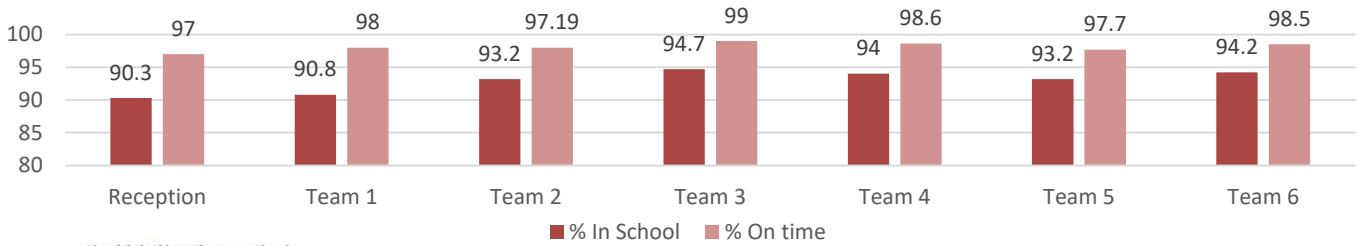


One week left until we all have a well-deserved break for a week! Don't forget that school is closed on Monday 1st November as staff are all attending an INSET training day at Helsby High School. We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 2nd November.



Attendance and Punctuality...

Team 3 are our award winning class this week! They will be happy to look after our Dependable Mouse and Early Bird award for the next week or two 😊



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Halloween Disco...



Please keep your Halloween Costumes safe after trick or treating on 31st October, as the children will be able to wear them one more time at our Halloween Disco! On the first day back after the holidays, Tuesday 2nd November, 4-5pm (for Rec, Team 1 and 2) and 5.30 - 6.30pm (for Team 3,4,5 and 6) we will be hosting a fun event. Prices are £3 on the door with discounts for siblings. Come along for some great fun, and to help raise some funds for school at the same time!



Trainers in school...

As you know, we agreed that children could choose to wear trainers for school a year or two ago. In order to retain a level of consistency and smartness, I would just like to remind you all that the trainers should be COMPLETELY BLACK please. This includes the soles and any logos on the main body of the shoe. Thanks everyone.

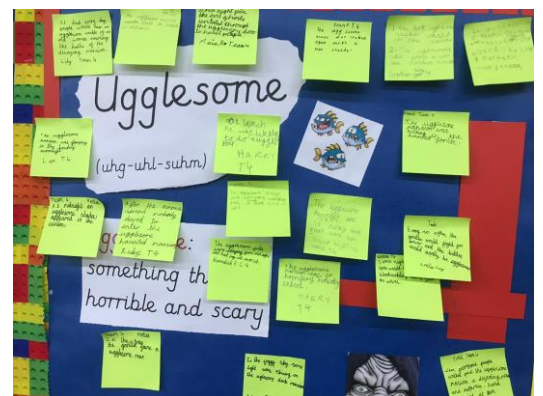
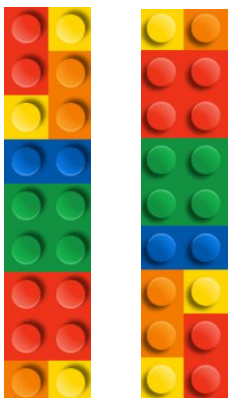


"BUILD your VOCABULARY"

The junior children have learnt a new word this week...the word is

"ugglesome!"

Children have been trying hard to use it as you can see!



Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSE)...



You may all know that a new statutory curriculum for RSE came into force earlier this year. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education> Horn's Mill's updated policy and curriculum for our implementation of this can be found on our website here:

<http://www.hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk/page/personal-development/24996> As part of the implementation of this policy and curriculum, I would like to ask for feedback from our families. If you would be willing to have a chat with me, to look at the resources we use in more detail and offer your thoughts, I would be very grateful for your time. Please contact me in person or via email if you would be willing to join this informal consultation.

Our Eco Champions...

Miss Foster is taking charge of Horn's Mill's environmental contributions this year. Thanks to a successful bid to Protos, we are now the proud owners of a 'Hotbin' which is being used effectively for composting some of our classroom waste. We will hopefully be able to use this compost in our newly refurbished planting areas around the poly tunnel. In addition to this, we have plans to improve our wildlife garden next to the poly tunnel using the funds gained (hopefully) from our TESCO tokens! Miss Foster is not working alone as she has some fantastic helpers! Firstly, big thanks to our school neighbour, Ian, who has given so much voluntary time (and continues to do so) in the wildlife garden – his next project is to



create a bigger and more accessible wildlife pond to support the children's learning. Furthermore, we are delighted to introduce our newly appointed ECO CHAMPIONS who have been elected this term. Thank you to Teddy (1), Isabella (2), Evie (3), George (4), Leonard and Benji (5) and Spencer and Izabella (6) who will be ably supporting Miss Foster with many events and awareness raising ideas throughout this year.

Sickness, Tummy bugs and COVID...



We have had a pretty tricky week with COVID this week, (including my isolation ☹️) but I am glad to report that things seem to be calming down now. 🙌 Just a couple of reminders to support us this Autumn/Winter please. Children need to stay off school with any incidents of vomiting or diarrhoea for 48 hours after their last episode please. Please continue to regularly test your child using LFD tests, to ensure we keep asymptomatic, positive cases out of school.



Dates for your diary ...



Unfortunately, we have already had to change two events due to COVID this term – please see *alterations and new dates below*...let's hope this doesn't become a regular occurrence.

Individual and Family Photos NEW DATE	Thurs 14th Oct Weds 17th Nov	Non Uniform Day – Christmas Rainbow Hamper Donations please	Fri 26 th Nov
Whole School Maths Day – “Maths in Space!”	Mon 18 th Oct	Team 2 Visit – The Christmas Journey	Wed 1 st Dec
DFE Filming exemplification materials with Miss Steen and Mrs Jobber	Tues 19 th and Wed 20 th Oct	Non Uniform Day – Bring a Bottle for Tombola at Christmas Fair	Friday 3 rd Dec
Team 5 Class Assembly 9.10-9.30am	Thurs 21 st Oct	Ho Ho Helsby	Sat 4 th Dec
Break up for Half Term	Fri 22 nd Oct	Team 1 and 2 Christmas Performance	Mon 6 th Dec 6pm
INSET DAY	Mon 1 st Nov	Reception Christmas Performance	Wed 8 th Dec 9.15am
Back to School	Tues 2 nd Nov	Team 3 and 4 Host Horn's Mill Christmas Markets and Singing	Wed 8 th Dec 2pm
Halloween Disco (TBC)	Tues 2 nd Nov		
Reception children and family visit to Delamere	Wed 3 rd Nov	Christmas Fair	Fri 10 th Dec 5-7pm
Team 4 Class Assembly 9.10 – 9.30am	Wed 10 th Nov	Team 5 and 6 Carol Concert at St Paul's Church	Mon 13 th Dec 6pm
Recycling Clothes Collection	Thurs 11th Nov	School Christmas Lunch	Tues 14 th Dec
Children in Need	Fri 12 th Nov	Visit from Santa and Party Day	Wed 15 th Dec
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	Hamper Draw	Thurs 16 th Dec
Flu Vaccinations	Fri 19 th Nov	Break up for Christmas	Fri 17 th Dec
Team 3 and 4 Visit to Manchester Christmas Markets	Wed 24 th Nov	Back to School (Typo in last newsletter)	Weds 5th Jan



Thanks Mike...welcome back Steve!

I would like to offer our thanks as a school to Mr Michael Docherty, one of our cleaners, who has been covering for Steve Griffiths this last few months. He has been utterly wonderful; totally committed to supporting the children and the school. We are extremely grateful to him for undoubtedly saving the day in the absence of Mr G! We are excited to see Steve back after half term, and very glad that Michael will still be with us (albeit a bit less!) Thanks Mike! ☺



And finally ...



Don't forget to have a sort out over half term, to make some space for Christmas! Please bring your unwanted clothes for our collection on Thursday 11th November! We have raised over £200 for school fund so far in this way.

Thanks everyone! Have great weekend.

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