

Harwich Community Primary

School and Nursery

Newsletter - Friday 4th Oct '24

PANTO COMPETITION

So thanks to those children who entered our Panto competition with the hope of winning a free panto ticket for our trip in December. Well done to Elsie in Year 5 for her wonderful 3D project.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Hello Yellow Day - **Thursday 10th October**

Parents Evening - **Tuesday 15th October 2pm onwards (10-minute appointments)**

Harvest at the Church - **Tuesday 22nd October**

Halloween Disco - **Wednesday 23rd October- NO MASKS PLEASE**

Breast Cancer Awareness - Pink Day - **Thursday 24th October**

Pantomime Sponsored Fun Run - **Thursday 7th November (Reserve Date Friday 8th November)**

Year 3 Class Assembly - **Friday 22nd November at 9:10AM**

Non-Uniform Day for Christmas fayre - **Friday 29th November**

Whole School Pantomime - **Tuesday 3rd December (Reception to Year 6)**

Nursery Nativity - **Wednesday 4th December at 10:30AM**

Whole School Christmas Movie Night - **Thursday 5th December at 4:30PM**

Reception Nativity - **Friday 6th December at 10AM**

KS1 Christmas Play - **Tuesday 10th December PM & Wednesday 11th December AM**

Year 6 WWII Afternoon - **Wednesday 11th December PM**

PTA Christmas Fayre & Christmas Jumper Day - **Thursday 12th December**

KS2 Christmas at The Movies - **Monday 16th December Year 3 & 4 Parents Tuesday 17th December Year 5 & 6 Parents - both at 2:15PM**

Christmas Dinner Day - **Wednesday 18th December**

NON-PUPIL DAYS 2024- 2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Friday 20th December 2024

Monday 2nd June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Our October half term is **Monday 28th October- Friday 1st November** and we return on **Monday 4th November 2024**.

PARENTS EVENING

Just so you are aware if you have a child in Reception - Year 6 then our Autumn Parents Evening takes place in the school hall on Tuesday 15th October from 2pm. I have now opened the booking system for you to book an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss how they have settled in and their progress to date and what they will need support with.

You will have received an email, click on the link and then book your own time slots.

Nursery Parents Evening will take place from next week and your appointment will be organised through the week with Miss Lindsay.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL

If your child is too ill to attend school, please can you call the school office and leave a message with child's name, class teacher and the reason for their absence. **Please do not leave a message on DOJOS as these can often be missed.**

LUNCH TIME MENU

We will be on **week 2** of our lunch menus. You can head over to our school website and find our menus there. They have not changed since the summer menus whilst we work on autumn / winter choices.

BREAKFAST CLUB

If you would like your child to come to breakfast club, **especially on Wednesdays and Fridays**, can I ask that you book this in with us so we can make sure we have enough for everyone.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Let's see who the stars of the week are in our second week back! Our Reception children came to their very first celebration assembly too.



Reception - Finlay

Year 1 - Billie Mae

Year 2 - Alice

Year 3 - Poppy

Year 4 - Priya

Year 5 - Faya

Year 6 - Jack

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Reception - 85.6%

Year 1 - 86.6%

Year 2 - 89.5%

Year 3 - 95.8%

Year 4 - 91.3%

Year 5 - 91.0%

Year 6 - 96.6%

This week's winners are Year 6 with 96.6% - well done!

COATS

Please can I ask that you make sure that your children bring a coat to school now that the weather has changed to almost match the season. Many thanks.

HALLOWEEN

The Rose + Thorn Café is doing a little Halloween costume exchange this year.

Anyone that brings in an old costume can exchange it for a free cup of tea. Then from the 18th October, people can come and collect a Halloween costume free of charge.



CAR BOOT SALE NEWS

Thanks to those who came and supported us with our Car Boot Sale and to the staff who helped out on the day too. We made approximately £150 for our children. PTA will update you on what they are planning to spend their funds on this year soon.



YEAR 6 PARENTS

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Thursday, 12 September 2024, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2024. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

OFFICE OPENING HOURS

As per my message earlier this week, the office opening hours are 8:30- 3:45 and the

phone lines are open from 8:00am. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

MESSAGE FROM ME...

After many asks, I am still finding that parents who stay on the playground at drop off are leaving at the same time as the children in Year 4, 5 and 6 are leaving for their classrooms. This is quite a concern, as with the crowd of parents leaving at the same time as the children are, it means we could easily lose sight of the children. SO... Please either leave before the whistle at 8:45 or stay on site until our children have cleared the playground. Many thanks in advance for your support with this.



Mrs Anderson