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NEWSLETTER 6 - AUTUMN TERM – FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Dates for diaries

Saturday 11 th October	Yr5 Science Masterclass, Norton Hill School 9am-12pm
Tuesday 14 th October	Class 4 trip to Folly Farm
Thursday 16 th October	Music sharing assembly at 11:00am
Tuesday 21 st October	Reception & Yr6 height & weight measurements
Wednesday 22 nd October	Information sharing workshop for parents 2:15 – 3:15 on New SEN Code of Practice (please see more information in Newsletter 5)
Thursday 23 rd October	Sports sharing assembly at 11:00am
October 27 th – 31 st	Half term
Week beginning 10 th November	Parents' evenings
Friday 14 th November	KS2 Sharing assembly at 2:30pm
Friday 21 st November	KS1 Sharing assembly at 2:30pm
Monday 24 th November	e-safety information evening for parents 7:00pm

Ten Pieces

All of our KS2 children went to Bristol this week to see the BBC Ten Pieces screening. It was a really inspiring experience as you can see from their comments...

'I loved how they described who had written the music.'

'My favourite part was the bit about Beethoven.'

'The music was so dramatic.'

'I enjoyed watching the orchestra and the expressions on their faces.'

'I liked the Troll music.'

'I liked the Firebird bit.'

'The music really inspired me, but the Beethoven one was my favourite.'

'It was very emotional.'

'Awesome – I loved the films because they related to the music.'

'I liked hearing the background story to the pieces.'

We look forward to following up this experience with further activities over the coming year.

New school website

Our new school website is ready! It is brimming with useful information, so do please take a look at: www.horringtonprimary.co.uk. Any suggestions or feedback would be very welcome, as it is still a "work-in-progress" while we continue to add to the site.

A very big thank you to Tom Beasley for building the site, to Mrs Main for all her hard work inputting all the information and all the school staff for their contributions.

Online payment facility

We are pleased to announce that we are launching a new on-line payment system called **Tucasi**. There is a link to this parent online payment system from the home page of our new website.

We hope this system will greatly simplify the payment process for parents. By paying on-line for a school trip consent is automatically recorded, reducing the need for additional slips of paper. In addition, for families with more than one child, either at Horrington and/or Blue School, parents will be able to combine all the accounts in order to have one login. And for more flexibility Tucasi can even be accessed via your smart phone!

Once this system is up and running, it will be our preferred method of payment. However, for any parents not able to access this online system, payments can still be made using cheque or cash via the school office as at present.

The first step is for parents to register their account. Your child will have brought home in their book bags today the details required for logging on to the Tucasi system and registering for future payments. Parents can register now and we will be sending out further details on how to make payments and give consent online over the coming weeks. Hopefully this will save a lot of paperwork for all!

If you have any queries or need help with the registering process, please call either Mrs Main or Miss Skipper in the school office who will be very happy to help.

Year 5 Science Masterclass

For the children who have registered for the Year 5 Science Masterclass at Norton Hill, you should have received an email confirming your attendance. Sessions start on Saturday.

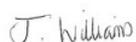
Message from BBC – Children in Need

BBC Points West is offering the opportunity to see the Children in Need outside broadcast from Wookey Hole on Friday 14th November. They have a very limited amount of tickets but wanted to offer this initially to the most local schools and clubs.

The BBC would need the audience to arrive by 5.30pm to see a total of 4 broadcasts. These will be spread out over the evening until approx. 9.30pm; however there are many activities to enjoy in between. Wookey Hole will kindly open its large soft play area, Victorian penny arcade (with free Victorian pennies for all!), the 'Magic Mirror Maze' and café for refreshments. Pudsey and all the Children in Need gang will be there for photo opportunities etc.

Due to limited seats, if you would like to make a booking, please RSVP ASAP to madeleine.ware@bbc.co.uk. Places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis

Yours sincerely,



Julie Williams

Head teacher