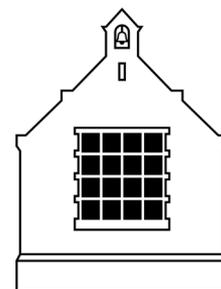


Horrington Primary School



NEWSLETTER 3 | SPRING TERM 1 | Friday 24th January 2020

Dates for Diaries - Spring Term

Monday 27th January	Sports Festival for Years 3 and 4 at The Blue School
Tuesday 28th January	Safeguarding training for volunteers @ 6:00pm
Friday 31st January	Voyager trip to 'We the Curious', Bristol
Monday 3rd February	Sports Festival for Years 1 and 2 at The Blue School (re-scheduled date)
Tuesday 4th February	Discovery trip to Bristol Zoo
Thursday 6th February	Pioneer trip to Haynes International Motor Museum
Friday 7th February	Hockey, Wells Cathedral School (more details to follow)
Monday 10th February	Safeguarding training for volunteers @ 9:15am or 5:00pm
Friday 14th February	Somerset Sports Hall Athletics (more details to follow)
Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February	Half Term
Friday 28th February	Vision Screening for children in Reception
Tuesday 17th March	Tag Rugby @ Wells Cathedral School (more details to follow)
Thursday 19th March	Height and Weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6

Horrington Eco Team – report from Mrs Stephens

On Thursday, four of our Year 6 pupils represented Horrington at the inaugural Somerset Schools Eco Conference, hosted and organised by The Blue School Eco and Plastic Free Team. We listened to an inspiring talk from the Glastonbury Festival Green Team leader about how they are working to increase the sustainability of the event. We also heard from Hayley Warren from Mendip District Council about her role in ensuring Mendip become carbon neutral by 2030.



Later, we split into cross-school groups to discuss issues such as energy, waste, communication, behaviour and food and drink and we made pledges for each area and set ourselves targets to bring back and implement in school and our own lives. The Eco Team members will be giving out more information about these pledges once they have finalised them back in school.

The Eco Team meet every Tuesday lunchtime at 12.15 in the Satellite. They will be spending the next meeting deciding how to implement the pledges we have made for Horrington. New members for the Eco Team are very welcome.

Class trips and sporting events

Please see separate letters sent home to parents this week for the upcoming class trips and sporting events. Letters for other sporting events taking place this term will be sent home with children next week.

Annual consultation questionnaire for parents and carers

As outlined in last week's newsletter, the annual questionnaires were sent home on Monday 20th January via the children.

Questionnaires need to be returned by 31st January either via the box in The Satellite, or in an envelope to the class teachers or office staff. Please remember to detach and keep one of the tickets as there is a £25 book token for the first questionnaire selected at random.

The Governors and school leaders really value your feedback and views about Horrington Primary School. Thank you for taking the time to complete and return the questionnaire.

Safeguarding information and training for volunteers – reminder

Please see the attached letter, which was emailed to parents earlier this term. If you volunteer in school, or have recently completed the parent volunteer form and DBS application, please can we remind you to sign up for the upcoming training sessions. There is a reply slip on the letter. Thank you.

School closure information - inclement weather

As the winter months continue, we thought it would be timely to send out a reminder about procedures should we need to make the decision to close the school due to severe weather. In the unlikely event of closure, a text message will be sent to parents and a notice posted on the school website home page.

If for safety reasons, we have to decide on closure part way through a school day because of deteriorating conditions, we will use the text and email system to inform parents.



Winter Clothing

On a similar note, now that the cold weather is beginning to set in, can we remind parents to send children in with a warm coat and an appropriate hat (red or black as per our uniform requirements) every day. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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