

# Newsletter



Learning for Life ... to be the best you can be "Let your Light shine" Matthew 5:16

# 15 September 2023

# Key Dates

Monday 25-Thursday 28 September, Oak Class Bikeability Friday 29 September, 3:15 Macmillan coffee morning Wednesday 4 October, Y6 NCMP Tuesday 10 October, Oak class trip to How Hill Friday 13 October, Harvest celebration at St. Mary's church, 2pm Friday 13 October, Edenred £15 voucher released Monday 16 October, Horse Chestnut Family learning, 1.15pm Monday 16 October, Y6 Crucial Crew, Gresham's School Tuesday 17 October, Book fair 2.30pm Friday 20 October, Friends' Fundraiser 'Scary Hair Day' 24-28 October inclusive, Half Term Tuesday 31 October—Horse Chestnut Class Swimming for 8 weeks Wednesday 1 November 13:15, Individual and Sibling Photographs Friday 3 November, Friends' Fundraiser Autumn Movies & Munchies Friday 10 November, Remembrance worship at St. Mary's Church, 10.30am Tuesday 14 November, Parents' consultations, 1.15pm onwards Tuesday 19 December, Christmas Carols at St. Mary's church, 2pm Wednesday 20 December, last day of term Thursday 4 January, Return to school 12-14 June 2024 inclusive, Oak Class residential to Hautbois

### Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely to welcome the children back for the first full week of the new term. Everyone has settled really well and are excited by their new topics. As you may know, this year we are using the CUSP curriculum which provides detailed resources for teachers and good progression in knowledge and skills for the children. More details on this will follow as we move through the year and I am in the process of making sure the website is up to date with new information. We will let you know when this is in place.

A special welcome this week to all of the new families and children who have joined us in Reception and other year groups. We hope that you soon feel part of the family, if you have any questions or queries just ask and we will do our best to help! Please do just drop an email to the office or your child's class teacher.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Laura Watts
Executive Headteacher
Lighthouse Foundation

# Parents' Consultations, Tuesday 14 November

In preparation of the Parent Consultation's with your child's teacher, we would encourage you to log into the Pupil Asset Portal so that you are able to book a suitable appointment. We will send a text nearer the time to inform you of when we have made the booking system live.

# Dinner Money

The Portal also allows you to keep a check on any dinner money that your child owes. Moving forward, we would like to ask for advance payments of dinner money so debt's are not accrued.

Payment can be made by cash in a named envelope or via BACS (minimum £10 payment) using the following Bank Details. Please use your child's surname and the initial DM as payment reference.

Account Name: Norfolk County Council

Sort Code: 20 62 61

Account Number: 20996556

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Harvest celebration, Friday 13 October

This year we would like to make a donation to Stalham food bank, as we have done in past years. We would be very grateful of any donations that you are able to make from the attached list. Thank you.

## Pupil Awards

This week's Stars are Arlo, Millie and Ellena.

**Jigsaw Awards** have been presented to Millie, Emily S, Leland, Cameronli, Charlie and Ivy H.

Handwriting Awards have been presented to Tobias, Frances and James B.

# Census Lunch, 5 October

Norse are running a promotional lunch to coincide with Census Day on 5 October. All children from Maple Class are encouraged to order a lunch (even if its just a school packed lunch). Please could you complete and return the attached Booking form by **Thursday 28** 

# Reading Karate

Dear families, I am excited to be starting Reading Karate next week. We will begin our certificates again and count the reads from where the children got to at the end of term. Staff will be counting reads and I will get busy badge making.

This incentive really had such an impact with our children and I am looking forward to seeing the impact this term.

Mrs Heaps

### Head Lice

We currently have cases of head lice in school. Please could you check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat accordingly. All long hair must be tied back.

Thank you

# Macmillan Coffee Morning—Friday 29 September, 3:15

We are having a cake sale on Friday 29 September after school to raise funds for Macmillan. We would appreciate donations to cakes for this worthy cause. Thank you everyone and have fun baking!!!!



### Visitors to the School

Visitors are welcome at this school. If you have any concerns we will always listen and seek to address them.

Please be aware, however, that abusive, threatening or violent behaviour will not be tolerated. Visitors behaving in this way are likely to be removed from the school and may face further consequences.

Everyone in our community deserves to feel safe onsite - children, parents, visitors and staff and we will act when these events occur.



# THIS MONTH THE FOLLOWING WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED:





### **Pupil Asset Parent Portal**

The **Parent Portal** is available for all parents. Pupil Asset are currently in the process of updating the Parent App and in preparation for this update, the current version of the Parent App is being removed from both Apple and Google Play stores.

If you have already downloaded this version of the App to your mobile device, this **App will need to be uninstalled** and instead, navigate to the Parent Portal via <a href="https://secure.pupilasset.com">https://secure.pupilasset.com</a> on your mobile device's browser where you can login using your existing login credentials. The Portal can also be accessed via a browser on a Laptop, PC or Mac.

The Parent Portal has a similar menu structure to the App where you will be able to view your pupil's profile and access the features that your school has enabled. For quick access, the Portal can be added to the home screen of your mobile device.

## Logging in for the first time

If it is your first time using the portal, your school will need to send you a sign up email which will contain a link where a password can be chosen.

Your password will need to be at least eight characters long and include a number, failure to follow these guidelines will result in you being unable to login. Please could you inform the school office if your email address has changed.

# **Using the Portal**

Once you have created login details you will be able to sign in with them on the Login screen .

If you have any issues logging in, tap **First Login/Forgot Password** to generate a choose password email.

If you've forgotten your username (the email address you registered with your school) you will need to contact your school office.

The home screen of the portal will show any pupils your email address is linked to in Horizons.

If your child does not show, please contact the school as they may need to update your child's pupil record.

Tap your child's name to open their record where you will see various menu options reflecting the settings the school has put in place.

### **Parent Evening**

Any upcoming Parent Evenings associated with your pupil will display here. Selecting 'Book' will show all available time slots. Clicking Book will book the selected time slot. Any booked slots will display under the Parent Evening tab and can be cancelled if required

#### Meals

Allows meals to be viewed and also displays any Allergen information the school have added. Use the Next and Previous week buttons to move to a future or past week overview

## **Payments**

Displays outstanding transactions for Meals.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

As part of our menu theme days, we will be holding a **'Brunch for Lunch'** on **Thursday 5**th **October**. The menu is as follows:

### **Chipolata Sausages**

Or

### **Vegetarian Sausage (v)**

### served with Hash Browns, Omelette and Baked Beans

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### **Blueberry Breakfast Muffin**

If you would like your child/children to have lunch on this day, then please complete the booking form below and return to your school office no later than **Thursday 28th September.** The cost of this lunch for **Key Stage 2** children is as per your school's normal meal price. Please pay in the same way.

For **Reception and Key Stage 1** children this lunch is included in the Universal Free School Meal Allowance. If your child is entitled to have a free school meal then you will not need to pay any additional cost, but please return the slip below. We hope your child/children enjoys their lunch!

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The School Kitchen	٠,
Booking Form	
I would like (Name :	) to have a 'Brunch for Lunch' on
Thursday 5th October. Class:	Vegetarian: □
Signature:	
Please return to the school office no later than: Thurso	day 28th September
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