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November's Mantra: I am a valued member of this learning community

Dates for your Diary

November 2023

13 th	Odd Socks – The children can wear odd socks to school to raise awareness of antibullying week
17 th	Children in Need non-school uniform collecting donations
21 st	Y5 & Y6 Trip to Gressenhall Museum – please complete the consent form
22 nd	No after school club
24 th	Around the World Day
28 th	1pm NHS team in for Y6 & Reception Height and weight check and Reception hearing and vision check
29 th	9:30am Open morning for Prospective Parents



Above and Beyond

Summer – for always being polite to others and showing our respect rule.

Alex – for creating a wonderful piece of silhouette art

Archie – for writing his name independently

Dottie – for always being kind

Maths Marvel

William – for excellent command of division strategies

Ida-Mae – for amazing work in fractions and awesome vocab

Mathletics w.c. 06.11.23



Bronze

Ralphie, Libby, Darcy B and Cherry

Silver

Sophie Y, Dakota

Writing Certificate

Reggie – for coming up with some good actions in our Talk4Writing narrative

Percy – for great stamina and content in writing his story

School communication

Odd socks day for anti bullying week – Monday 13th

Odd Socks day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or to buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to your school, it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week to help raise awareness of bullying.

Vacancies

We have four vacancies in school; midday supervisor, breakfast club play worker, after school club play worker and a classroom assistant. If you would like to apply for any of these vacancies please go to My New Term or click on the links below.

MSA

<https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/148668/EDV-2023-GDPS-57191>

Breakfast club - Play worker

<https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/148668/EDV-2023-GDPS-70588>

After School Play worker

<https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/148668/EDV-2023-GDPS-70658>

Classroom assistant

<https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/148668/EDV-2023-GDPS-82878>

Hickling Class

It's been another busy week in Hickling. We've been learning a portal-style narrative in English, using actions and symbols to help us remember the storyline. The children will be 'boxing it up' and making changes to it to create their own narrative using the features. In maths, the class has become more confident in using division and have created their own problems to solve. For science, we used a 'Blooket' quiz to show our understanding of light that we have been looking at this term. Our PE lesson was once again wet, however the children still enjoyed the session with the focus on passing.

The children have also completed some more art this week, using the Blitz and Battle of Britain as inspiration to make silhouette paintings.



Oulton Class

This week Oulton Class have been learning about The Wright Brothers as part of their inventors topic and they made their own paper aeroplanes. In Outdoor learning we continued our inventors theme and made our own inventions from things we could forage. We have been reading The Wonky Donkey, a sad tale about a hero donkey and in talk for writing we have been learning persuasive writing techniques. Reception have been

working hard practicing writing and reading their new sounds and have really enjoyed dressing up as people who help us. In Science, we have been learning about the changes in the weather and made some lovely Autumn collages for our class.

Weekly Attendance w.c. 06.11.23	Attendance for the year
Our attendance target for this year is 95%	
Oulton ~ 93.68%	Oulton ~ 92.52%
Ranworth ~ 96.67%	Ranworth ~ 97.29%
Hickling ~ 95.45%	Hickling ~ 94.21%

Our whole school attendance this year to date is 94.74%
National average currently is 93.8%
Your child is considered a persistent absentee if their attendance is below 90%

Reminders

Parking outside the school; Please do not park on the yellow lines outside of school or on the car park.

Snack; Please only pack fresh fruit or vegetables in your child's bag for their break time snack.

Breakfast and After School Club; If your child is attending either breakfast or after school club please can you email the office each Monday and let Mrs Marshall know which dates your child would like to attend and if possible, for after school club when you plan to collect your child.

Names; Please remember to write your child's name in all their school uniform and PE kit this helps staff to reunite lost clothing with your child.

Office hours; The office is open 8:30am – 3:30pm please leave a message on the answer phone outside of these hours.

Registers; The school gate opens at 8:40am and closes at 8:45am. Registers in class are taken at 8:45am. If you arrive after 8:45am you will need to buzz the office and your child will be marked as late with the number of minutes recorded. The registers close at 8:55am arrival at 8:55am or after will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and will affect your child's attendance.

Holidays; Holiday taken during term time will not be authorised and may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice of £60 being issued per child, per parent. So for a family of four that could mean a fine of £240.00.

Wellies & Waterproofs - If possible please can all the children have wellies/waterproofs in school for outdoor learning. Their wellies/waterproofs can stay in school. Please can you name your child's wellies and waterproofs.

Parent Apps

Please make sure you have down loaded **ParentPay** to pay for items and **ParentApps Connect** to stay in communication with the school. If you need help doing this please come to the office.



Please type ParentPay.com into a Google search. Please come to the office if you need help logging in.



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