

Weekly News – 27th November 2023

A message from Mrs Farren...

As you are aware, during the week beginning 4th December, the car park next to the school is being resurfaced. Whilst this will cause some disruption, this work is necessary and has been arranged at the only time available, by the village hall committee. In the long run, the benefits to the school and local community are clear. The current surface is dreadful and could potentially cause injury and damage to vehicles.

The school understands the importance of working with the local community during this time. In order to make this week as manageable as possible the school is putting the following measures in place:

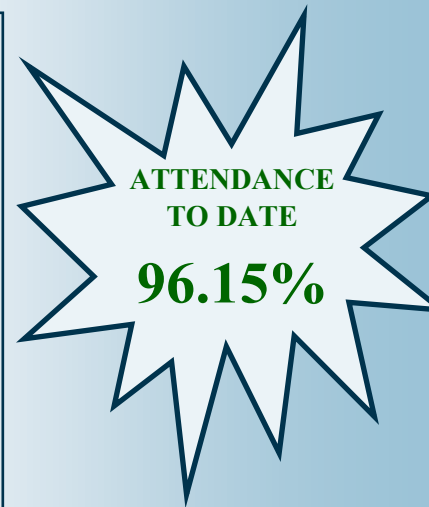
- > We are extending the morning drop off times from between 8.45am-9.15am (breakfast club is still available from 8am).
- > We are extending pick up times from between 3pm and 3.30pm.
- > Please bring your children to the gate by Reception class (near the front of the village hall).

Parents should park at the New Dawn Inn and will be responsible for walking their children to school and picking them up. (Please note that this arrangement with the New Dawn Inn is temporary and only applies for the week of the resurfacing.)

As parents, please support the community at this time by:

- > Car sharing or walking where possible.
- > Parking responsibility - please do not park on both sides of the road - as this is a bus route.
- > Please do not cause blind spots by parking on corners.
- > Please do not park across residents' drives.
- > Please drop off/collect and leave promptly to stop congestion.

As parents, you are responsible for ensuring your child arrives at school safely.



With some late donations, the total raised for **Children in**

Need was...

£158.90

Thank you

This week in **Reception** we have been learning all about hedgehogs! We have all had lots of fun learning new facts about hedgehogs. Did you know that a baby hedgehog is called a hoglet? The children have worked incredibly hard to use their phonics to write notes using the facts they have learnt. Next week we will be using the notes to write an information page about hedgehogs. In Maths we have been working hard to form numerals 1, 2 and 3.

Year 1 children have been learning the key parts (beginning, build up, problem, resolution, ending' of the story 'We're going to find the monster'. They did a brilliant job of acting out the parts, creating



freeze frames for them and then making actions to help them to retell the story.



In Maths, **Year 2** have been counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10. They have been spotting patterns with the tens and ones and using mathematical language to explain this. In English they have been reading the story 'Where the Poppies Now Grow' with a view to writing cinquain poems about war next week.

In Design Technology, **Year 3** have been looking at Bronze Age sculptures this week. We explored clay shaping techniques using our hands and basic tools. In English and Reading, we have also been looking at how we as authors can create an atmosphere in our writing by carefully choosing our vocabulary.

Year 4 This week in English we have been writing poems about Ancient Egypt. We have included poetic features such as alliteration and personification. After writing our poems, we self and peer edited our work to check for spellings, punctuation or to improve vocabulary.



Year 5 This week Year 5 have started learning a difficult Christmas song which is sung in three rounds! It is sounding amazing and they should be very proud of themselves!

Strive

Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

Isaiah 40:31

Think

How much better to get wisdom than gold.

Proverbs, Chapter 16:16

Act

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity.

Psalms 133: 1

Respect

Blessed are those who are hungry for justice. They will be filled.

Matthew's gospel, chapter 5



I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

John 8:12

Upcoming important dates...

No village hall car park—week commencing 4th December

Infant Nativity—12th & 14th December

Christmas dinner—13th December

Break up for Christmas—20th December at 1:30pm

Please book your free ticket for the Christmas event organised by Rev. Joe

A 'Pantivity' for all the family!
Explore the nativity like never before with the fantastic 4Front Theatre.
Norton Village Hall, 19th Dec 3.45pm
Doors open just after school.
Event is donation only, but book your free tickets to save your space and mince pies!

Tickets here: <https://tinyurl.com/Herald-of-Herod>

Remember to order your photos by Sunday 26th November 2023 for FREE DELIVERY to school. Orders placed after that date will be subject to postage and packaging to your home address.

Year 6 Our science this term is 'Living things and their Habitats'. This week we have looked at how animals are classified. We have discussed the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates; and flowering and non-flowering plants. We have also looked at the features of mammals, reptiles, fish, birds and amphibians.

As from January 2024 there will be a price increase for Before & After school club and Little Learners. See the website or Class Dojo for more details.

Amazing news!
A big thank you for your support with the book fayre. The book fayre took a total of £1261, this giving the school £693.89 worth of rewards to get new books for school.

Next week's diary...

27th Nov 23	The School Day	After School	Lunch Menu (week 1)
Monday	Interim reports out	Book Club Cross Country Times Table Rock Stars	Macaroni Cheese Vegetable Curry Jacket Potato with backed beans or cheese
Tuesday		Parent Consultation meetings Gardening Club	BBQ Chicken Vegan Meatballs Jacket Potato with backed beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Wednesday	Multi-skills—infants	KS1 Football Dance Fitness	Roast Chicken Vegetable Roast Jacket Potato with backed beans or cheese
Thursday		Parent Consultation meetings	Spaghetti Bolognese Shepherdess Pie Jacket Potato with backed beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Friday	2:40pm—Sharing Assembly		Fish Fingers Vegan Sausage Jacket Potato with cheese or tuna mayo