



Hickling Church of England V.C. Infant School

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NEWSLETTER

Thursday 9th February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well we have made it to half term despite the sickness and flu bug rampaging through our federation!!

It has been a busy couple of weeks. A huge thank you to Ms Arnold for organising the wonderful bedtime café - who said giraffes can't dance eh!!

(More Photos on the School Blog on the School Website!)



I am waiting for the analysis of the parental questionnaires to come back from the governing body and will then send this out to you after half term.

During collective worship this week we have looked at the fable of the tortoise and the hare. The moral of both tales was to keep on trying and never give up!

Ms Wones and myself thank you all for your continued support for this lovely school and hope you all enjoy a wonderful half term holiday with your children.

Ms Nutbeam & Ms Wones

Sickness in School

Whilst we encourage you to send your child into school so as not to miss out on their education, there are instances when we would ask that you keep them at home. Schools follow the Department of Health guidelines on infectious diseases which states that, in the event of diarrhoea and/or vomiting, children must be kept off school for 48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. We do just want to stress that we are not being awkward when we ask you to keep your child at home for the 48 hours and I recognise that your child may feel absolutely fine the following day and be full of beans! However, the guidance clearly states 48 hours as they may still be infectious.

Further information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/infection-control-in-schools-poster>.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Home Learning

Just a quick reminder that all home learning needs to be in by 3rd March. Thank you again to all the parents who help with their child's home learning, there has been some amazingly creative ideas!

Christingle

St Mary's church in Hickling are holding a Christingle Service on Sunday 12th February at 11am. All the children have been invited along to join in. They will receive a Christingle which they will be able to take home and if several of them are there, they will be invited to sing a song that they have been practicing for the service. Any questions please ask. Thanks

Lent

This year as part of Lent, we are taking part in '40 Acts - 40 days of doing good, giving back and living generously.' Mrs Holmes will be sending out a letter after half term with more details, but in the meantime, take a look at the website: <http://www.40acts.org.uk/about/>

We would also like to do something called Jars of Change, and each school will have a jar for any spare change and will choose a charity of their choice to donate it to at the end of the month.

Thank You

A big thank you to all the parents and volunteers who have come along and helped and supported the various activities they the school has had. After half term there will be some parent workshops taking place which will be linking to learning for SATs and Phonics. Thanks again

Photos for the School Library

We have only received a very small number of photos. If possible could you take a picture of your child reading somewhere at home over half term, and email them into school at office@hickling.norfolk.sch.uk and we will print them. We hope then to make a display for the library with them. Thank you

New Lunch Menu

In your child's book bag there will be a copy of the new menu which starts after half term and a lunch ordering slip. The lunch ordering slip must be completed in full for the six weeks and returned on the first Monday after half term. Thanks

Uniform

There has been some school jumpers that have gone astray could you please check that you only have your own child's at home. If you have someone else's please could you bring it back to school. Please do ensure everything is named! This also includes lunch boxes and book bags. Thank you

Diary Dates

Date	Hickling
10 th February	Last day before Half Term
20 th February	Children return after Half Term
27 th February	Parent Meetings 1.10pm onwards
2 nd March	World Book Day – Dress up as a from character from your child's favourite book
17 th March	Federation Day at Sutton
24 th March	Whole School Photo
24 th March	Mother's Day Assembly
29 th March	Trip to Thrigby
31 st March	Last Day of Term
18 th April	Children return after Easter
1 st May	May Day Bank Holiday
26 th May	Last Day before Half Term
5 th June	Children return after Half Term
21 st July	Last Day of Term!

Attendance last week was 93.85% and this term so far it has been 95.84%.

