



# Hickling Church of England V.C. Infant School

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## NEWSLETTER

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the spring term although it's not been feeling very spring like!!

Our value for this half term is Respect and this week we have been thinking about how to respect animals. The children had lots of ideas and it was a topic they obviously feel very strongly about and on Wednesday we had a lovely visit from Tammy the guide dog during assembly.

We had a lovely time on Tuesday when we were invited to go along to the pancake brunch at the Methodist Chapel. All I will say is that there was a lot of a particular brand of chocolate spread consumed!

We are still looking for parents to join our Governing Body and if you are interested please ask Mrs Edwards for an application pack.

Ms Nutbeam & Ms Wones

### Home Learning

Thanks for all the Home Learning that has been completed, there has been such a great variety, and lots of effort!

### Lent

Don't forget we are doing something called Jars of Change this year, 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. If you have any question please don't hesitate to speak to Mrs Holmes on a Monday. Thanks

### School Library

We have recently bought some lovely new books for the school Library for the children, so don't forget the School Library is open every Thursday afternoon between 3.00pm – 3.30pm to enable parents and children to come in and share books and to pick a new one to read at home! Thanks

### World Book Day

We had some great outfits, the children looked wonderful. Hopefully there should be a photo of the children included in the special supplement in the Great Yarmouth Mercury on the 10<sup>th</sup> March.

### Sainsbury's Active Kids

The school are once again collecting Sainsbury's vouchers that can be redeemed for sports equipment in school. Active Kids vouchers can be collected instore until 2<sup>nd</sup> May and we have until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 to redeem the vouchers, one for every £10 spent in-store or online or for every £5 spent in Sainsbury's Locals. We would be very grateful if you, family and friends could collect them on our behalf, the collection box is in the school reception area. Thanks

## 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.

## 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 School
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Federation Day at Sutton
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Mother's Day Assembly
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Football Festival at Colny
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day – Come dressed in red & Cake Stall at end of the day
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Visit from Author Billy Bob Buttons
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Photo (PM)
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Trip to Thrigby
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Children visiting Church in afternoon for Easter Activities
31 <sup>st</sup> March	No Celebration Assembly
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Last Day of Term
18 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return after Easter
1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last Day before Half Term
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return after Half Term
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of Term!

Attendance last week was 94.62% and this term so far it has been 94.99%.

