

# Hickling Church of England V.C. Infant School

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# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 27th April 2017

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the supposedly summer term although Tuesday's hail wasn't exactly what we wanted! This is a really busy term with lots of the statutory stuff! So the Year 2's will be assessed for their end of key stage assessments, Year 1's are busily working at those phonics and Reception are working hard at those Early Learning Goals!

Our value for life for this half term is 'Generosity' and this week the children have been thinking about ways they show generosity to others.

Please remember not to send your little loves to school on Monday as it is Bank Holiday - guaranteed to be bad weather then!

Ms Nutbeam & Ms Wones

#### **Mrs Smith**

Mrs Smith has asked us to past on a big Thank You to everyone for her retirement gifts and her lovely cake made by Mrs Edwards (Oliver's Mum) she really appreciated everything, and loved all the cards made by the children.

#### **Stalham Academy - Outdoor Learning**

Our Year 2's who will be transferring to the Academy in September, will be spending the day at the Academy on Fri 5th May for some great outdoor learning activities (fingers crossed the weather improves a bit by then!). They will need a home packed lunch please. They will also need to wear their uniform but will need trainers rather than school shoes. Anyone not attending Stalham Academy in September will stay at school and will have a chance to visit their new school later in the term. Thanks

#### **Note from Miss Wones**

I will be attempting to walk the London to Brighton 100km at the end of May. It was a spontaneous decision - no idea if I can actually walk that far?! I will be raising money for the Alzheimer's Society and all donations would be greatly appreciated.

I've put my just giving page link below, or there is an envelope in the school office. Many thanks.

https://www.justgiving.com/J-Wones?utm\_source=Sharethis&utm\_medium=fundraisingpage&utm\_content=J-Wones&utm\_campaign=pfp-email.

#### **Forest School**

The children will continue to have Forest School sessions fortnightly this term, but these will now be on Thursday afternoons. Dates are as follows:

Group 1: 11th May, 25th May, 15th June, 6th July

Group 2: 4th May, 18th May, 8th June, 22nd June,

Wool - We use it lots at Forest Schools for weaving activities and making things. Any donations/unwanted wool to top up our baskets would be welcomed!

#### Sainsbury's Active Kids

Not much longer left to collect the vouchers (2<sup>nd</sup> May). Please bring in any you have lurking at home still. Also please ask friends and family of they have any. With the vouchers the school is able to get more sport or cookery equipment for the children. Thanks

## Walk4Wildlife

On the afternoon of May 19th we are going to be taking part in an attempt to break a Guinness™ World Record. On that day, primary schools up and down the country will be joining together to try and break the world record for a mass sponsored walk. (The current world record is 231,635 people all walking at the same time!)

As well as attempting the world record, we will be raising money for FAITH, (sponsorship form will follow) a local wildlife charity and our school wildlife projects. Miss Arnold are busy planning a route for the children and we are asking that children bring in any sponsor money they have raised for taking part in the event on the day.

PE

Now the weather is improving, PE lessons will be taking place outside. Could you please ensure your child has trainers and maybe tracksuit trousers as well as shorts <u>every Tuesday</u> to enable them to take part. Thanks

#### **Sports Club**

Please note Sports Club now takes place outside on a Friday afternoon, please ensure if you child is taking part they have appropriate clothes and footwear. Thanks

## **Gardening Club**

We are after any large yogurt pots or equivalent you may have for gardening club. Any donations would be gratefully received. Also as the club appears very popular with the children, if there is anyone who could spare an hour of their time on a Tuesday, it would be great to have another volunteer. If you are able to help please speak to Mrs Edwards or Ms Arnold. Thanks

#### **School Disco**

As a reward and one off special treat for the children for filling the Marble Jar we have organised a school disco on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 5 – 6pm. There will be Balloon Modelling, games and prizes! Children can dress to impress and come in their party clothes!

#### Make-A-Wish

In the Reception area is a box containing sweets and snack bars which we are selling. Everything is only £1. Proceeds go to Make-A-Wish foundation which helps children with life threatening illness achieve their wishes.

#### **Diary Dates**

Date	Hickling School
1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 2 children to Stalham Academy
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Disco 5 – 6pm
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Sponsored Walk for Wildlife
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last Day before Half Term
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return after Half Term
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Hearing and Vision Checks
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (PM)
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Football Tournament at Colney
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Federation Day at Hickling Barn
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2s trip to Bewilderwood
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Beach Trip
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service at the Church
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of Term!

Attendance last term was 95.54% and this term so far it has been 97.33%.



