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Huncote Primary School Post

The Newsletter for Pupils, Parents, Governors and Friends
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Sat 29th Feb | County Finals of Cross Country – entrants TBC |
| Thurs 5th Mar | No Singing Club due to staff training |
| Fri 6th Mar | Open Assembly 9.15am |
| Tues 10th Mar | Yrs 3 & 4 have a surprise workshop |
| Mon 16th – Fri 20th Mar | Yrs 5 & 6 Residential |
| Mon 23rd Mar | Class & Team photos Fundraisers Easter Crafts |
| Fri 27th Mar | Fundraisers Chocolate Bingo – Tickets now on sale |
| Mon 30th Mar | Year 3&4 Production 2pm |
| Tues 31st Mar | Year 3&4 Production 6pm |
| Thurs 2nd April | Awards Assembly 2pm |
| Fri 3rd Apr | Fundraisers Breakfast with the Easter Bunny School Closes |

Term Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term

Thursday 29th August to Friday 11th October 2019

Monday 21st October to Friday 20th December 2019

Spring Term

Tuesday 7th January to Friday 14th February 2020

Monday 24th February to Friday 3rd April 2020

Summer Term

Monday 20th April to Friday 22nd May 2020

Monday 1st June to Friday 10th July 2020

Closed for May Day on Friday 8th May 2020

From Mrs Cumberland...

This term is flying by and hopefully the weather will improve soon. School has been very busy as normal so far...

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents Evenings this week, I am sure you found them useful. Year 5 parents' reports are in an envelope in book bags tonight. If you did not get chance to fill in a survey and would like to please pop into the office and pick one up.

It was lovely to see so many parents at the residential meeting and SATs evening as well. I know you found the SATs evening very informative and thank you to Mr Murphy for working hard on it.

We are once again not dressing up for World Book Day next week – as it has been proven that this actually detracts from the true meaning – books. Miss Nutt has met with the school council and they decided this year to decorate a wooden spoon as a book character. Please bring the spoons into school on Thursday 5th March with the child's name on the back. Winners will be announced in open assembly on Friday 6th March.

Beat the Street is going fabulously – on the leaderboard we are in second place out of all the schools in the Blaby area. Well done everyone and keep beeping those boxes.

At the beginning of February we had donated a total of 5,410 crisp packets which equates to £54.10. Keep collecting!

At the before school club drop offs in a morning can I please ask that parents leave their child at the white doors near the office and either say goodbye or wait there for the children to come back through to go into the hall. This is for safeguarding reasons as children are very often getting changed and parents should not be in the middle area or in classrooms whilst this is happening. The children are capable of sorting out their things and getting changed themselves as they do it all the time. Thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

Good Luck!

Good Luck to the 6 Cross Country Runners who have qualified to represent Blaby in the County Finals at Prestwold Hall tomorrow morning. Run fast!

They are: Jasmine and Polly in Year 3; Bethany, Elcie and Jack in Year 4; and Mark in Year 6.

Football Matches

Well done to the boys who played football against Badgerbrook recently and won 4 – 0. We are now through to the semi-finals of the cup and are awaiting the draw for our next opponents.

The girls have played a few matches – a defeat in the cup to Greystoke, a narrow defeat by 1-0 to Badgerbrook B and another defeat to the A Team this week. They are improving massively and need to make sure they keep on supporting each other as a team. I have said that any goal for the girls will now be worth 5 team points!



Pancake Flipping Fun Races!



You can imagine how funny this was to watch!

Coronavirus – useful information

With the safety of students and members of staff in mind, I wanted to contact all parents/carers to reassure you that we are working in close collaboration with the Trust and the local authority to ensure that we keep up-to-date with all information regarding the Coronavirus. Be assured, we are following guidance and recommendations from Public Health England and the Department for Education.

In accordance with guidance, we are reminding students of the importance of hand and respiratory hygiene, as this remains the most important thing people can do to help reduce the spread of infections. Please reinforce this message at home by reminding your son/daughter to carry tissues and use them to catch coughs or sneezes and then put the tissue in the bin, and wash their hands regularly.

We have also made the decision to introduce extra cleaning measures, to minimise risk. The NHS have provided an information overview and answers to frequently asked questions. We would ask parents/carers to inform the college, where students and families have returned from a Category 1 or Category 2 area as has been identified, on or after 19 February 2020. Please ensure that where this is the case, we are made aware and that guidance issued has been followed, including self-isolation and/or seeking medical advice, via 111, as necessary. If you have any further queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Posters have been put up around school and the children's attention drawn to them as follows. Children are being encouraged to wash hands thoroughly and regularly too.

We have not actually talked about Coronavirus with the children as we do not want to scare them.

