



Laying the foundations for a bright future

Website link: www.htpfederation.co.uk

A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Welcome back to the start of the summer term, I hope you were all able to enjoy some family time as well as R&R over the Easter break, despite the mixed weather; fingers crossed for some sunshine soon for everyone to enjoy!

Keep a look out for your child's class newsletter which will be coming home today and will include lots of information about what your child will be learning about in the term ahead. We are really looking forward to our fantastic learning themes for this term, with Butterflies Class starting with 'ANIMAL SAFARI', whilst Bumblebees Class will be enjoying 'THE SCENTED GARDEN.' Otters Class will be exploring their theme of 'ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS' and Hares Class will be getting enthused by their new theme 'SOW, GROW AND FARM.'

We have lots planned including visits, visitors and experiences to look forward to, including trips to the Hundon's allotments as well as further afield! Our Butterflies and Bumblebees classes will also be starting their swimming sessions in our fabulous pool!

We are looking forward to working with you all again this term!

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald



Do you have a little bit of time to give for our children? Have you heard the expression, 'many hands make light work'?

If you answered yes, then we need you!

The PTA is looking for new 'active' members, (every parent is automatically part of the school's PTA) individuals able to take on specific roles such as Chairperson and Treasurer from September 2024.

The PTA organise fundraising events like discos to raise money finance 'additional' supplementary extras for the children including Class Christmas Parties, their Christmas Lunch, end of year activities and the Year 6 Leaver's 'hoodies'! Right now we have also been raising money to contribute towards the school's imminent pond renovation project.

If anyone is interested in finding out more we will be holding a meeting at school before half-term, in the meantime please contact gemma.cammiss@gmail.com

Without your valuable support, the PTA will be no more 😞

SUMMER TERM 1 - SCHOOL MEALS

For pupils in Years 3 to 6 (Otters Class and Hares Class) the cost of a school meal is £2.60 per day. This half-term will cost £78.00 in total, (a week of school meals is £13.00.) Children can alternate between packed lunches and school meals as preferred but school meals need to be paid for in advance. Here is the link:

<http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/>

This does not affect those of you whose child/ren have school meals through the government's universal free school meal' offer for children in Reception through to Year 2 or entitlement due to eligibility for Pupil Premium.

SPECIALIST MUSIC TUITION

Our specialist instrument teacher, Mr Calder, has some spaces for new pupils and is offering free taster sessions for violin, cello, clarinet and double bass this term for pupils in Years 1 to 5. If you are interested, please contact Mr Calder directly: steve.calder1974@gmail.com

SWIMMING

- Our youngest children across both our schools will start their swimming sessions from Monday 22nd April in our outdoor, heated swimming pool to develop their water safety and water confidence. The children will need their swimming kits on the Tuesday of that week. The children will need: A ONE PIECE swimming costume or pair of swimming shorts / trunks
- a towel
- a swimming hat

Suitable footwear to walk from the classroom to the pool, (e.g. flip flops / water shoes / crocs,) otherwise they will be wearing their school shoes.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ~ ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

With the current economic climate and continuing rises in costs to living, we wanted to remind families about accessing free school meals.

We strongly urge you to check, especially if your circumstances have changed or change unexpectedly and remember they are not just available if you are unemployed. The process is completely confidential and pupils entitled to and claiming free school meals are not identified in any way.

You can be reassured your child has access to a healthy, nutritious and tasty meal at lunchtime and is well nourished for an afternoon of learning.

In addition, the number of pupils registered will positively impact on school funding; in these tricky financial times this will provide much needed extra financial support to the school so please check and register, whether or not your child wishes to eat a school meal regularly.

CHECK HERE: [APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS](#)

NATIONAL CURRICULUM ASSESSMENT DATES

Key Stage One	YEAR 2 Reading and Maths Assessments (Y2) Teacher Assessed Writing (Y2) Teacher Assessed Science (Y2)	ADMINISTERED IN MAY (OPTIONAL)
	YEAR 1 Phonics Check	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June
Key Stage Two	YEAR 4 Multiplication Tables Check	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June
	YEAR 6 KEY STAGE TWO ASSESSMENTS Monday 13th May ~ English Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling (GPS) & Spelling Tuesday 14th May ~ English Reading Paper Wednesday 15th May ~ Maths Paper 1 (arithmetic) & Paper 2 (Reasoning) Thursday 16th May ~ Maths Paper 3 Reasoning	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 13th May

We will be scheduling information sessions for parents as well as additional workshops / 'booster' sessions for the children in the coming weeks as necessary.

Morning and After School Club

Just a reminder that these sessions cost £2 per session which must be paid for in advance. We still have places available within our morning and football clubs, please speak to the School Office for more information.

Morning club sessions for the term will cost £56

After-school club sessions will cost £12

Payments for these sessions can be made using the following link: [Suffolk County Council ~ Payments](#)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed!

SUMMER TERM 2024

Week Beginning: Monday 22nd April ~ Reception & Key Stage 1 Swimming starts

Tuesday 16th April ~ Hundon Allotment Visit ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the allotments linked to their 'Sow, Grow & Farm' theme.

Monday 22nd April ~ Managing Money & Budgeting ~ Hares Class

A session led by the local charity REACH to support the children's understanding of the value of money and the importance of budgeting.

Month of May ~ Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments

Wednesday 1st May ~ Shimpling Park Farm Visit ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting Shimpling Park Farm linked to their 'Sow, Grow & Farm' theme.

Monday 6th May ~ Bank Holiday (May Day)

Friday 10th May ~ Otters Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Otters Class are invited to join us.

Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May ~ Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments

Friday 17th May ~ Butterflies Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Butterflies Class are invited to join us.

Tuesday 21st May ~ Renewable Farming Visitor ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, will be joined by a renewable farming expert to enhance their learning as part of their 'Sow, Grow & Farm' theme.

Friday 24th May ~ LAST DAY OF THE HALF-TERM

Summer Half-Term ~ Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June to Friday 7th June ~ ACTIVITIES WEEK ~ more details will follow

Monday 10th June to Friday 14th June ~ Year 1 Phonics & Year 4 Multiplication Checks

Monday 10th June ~ Cambridge Botanic Gardens ~ Bumblebees Class

Bumblebees Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the gardens linked to their 'The Scented Garden' theme.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER TERM 2024 continued...

Thursday 12th June ~ 'NO JOKE' Play at Haverhill Arts Centre ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the Arts Centre to watch a performance of the play, 'NO JOKE'.

Friday 14 June ~ Bumblebees Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Bumblebees Class are invited to join us

Monday 17th June to Thursday 20th June ~ BIKEABILITY for Hares Class

Thursday 27th June ~ THURLOW SPORTS AFTERNOON

Join us from lunchtime for a picnic lunch followed by our sports afternoon

Friday 28th June ~ Fitzwilliam Museum Visit ~ Otters Class

Otters Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the museum linked to their 'Ancient Civilisations' theme.

Thursday 4th July ~ Year 6 Leaver's Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

Thursday 4th July ~ Years 3, 4 & 5 Inter-School Day

Inter-school activities with our sister school, Hundon ~ more details to follow

(Monday 8th July to Wednesday 10th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

Friday 12th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

FRIDAY 12TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION at 9am

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Wednesday 17th July and Thursday 18th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 19th July ~ LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM

OFSTED'S 'BIG LISTEN'

This initiative was launched earlier this month by Sir Martyn Oliver, the new Ofsted chief. He is seeking feedback on their work and they are keen to hear from parents, carers and learners.

The consultation is due to end on 31st May, if you wish to participate the consultation can be access via this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ofsted-big-listen>



JUNIOR CRICKET

FOR BOYS & GIRLS

2024

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED COME
ALONG MAKE FRIENDS, LEARN NEW SKILLS & HAVE FUN!!



RUNNING ON **TUESDAY** EVENINGS FROM 14TH MAY - 23RD JULY
6.15PM - 7.30PM WITH MULTIPLE ECB LEVEL 2 COACHES, EQUIPMENT PROVIDED (U6 - U17)

23RD
APRIL

REGISTRATION SIGN UP NIGHT

14TH
MAY

TRAINING BEGINS

23RD
JULY

TRAINING ENDS

£55

COVERS ALL SESSIONS

(SIBLING DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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FREE *School* MEALS



Free School Meals could save you up to £450 a year

What's more, if you sign up, your child's school receives extra funding from the Government, up to £1,455 a year. Even if your child is getting Universal Infant Free School Meals in Key Stage 1, your school will still benefit if you are entitled.

Applying online only takes a few minutes and, if eligible, you will receive free meals until March 2025. Visit: www.suffolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

To get free school meals you need to be receiving one of the following:

- ◊ Universal Credit (up to £7,400 net earned income)
- ◊ Income Support
- ◊ Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- ◊ Income related Employment and Support allowance
- ◊ Working Tax Credit run on
- ◊ Child Tax Credit but **no element of Working Tax Credit** and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190



If you need more information please call [0345 606 6067](tel:03456066067)



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Dates & Times

Saturday 27th April 2024
11:00am – 3:00pm



Haverhill East Town Park
Coupals Road, CB9 7UR

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about the program on
our website!





HUNDON AND THURLOW PRIMARY FEDERATION



SCHOOL TERM DATES

2024 ~ 2025

Autumn Term 2024

Wednesday 4th September to Friday 20th December

Monday 2nd September 2024: non-pupil day (PD Day)

Tuesday 3rd September 2024: non-pupil day (PD Day)

Autumn Half-Term ~ Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23rd December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025

Spring Term 2025

Tuesday 7th January to Friday 4th April

Monday 6th January 2025: non-pupil day (PD Day)

Spring Half-Term ~ Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025

Spring Holiday

Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025: early May Bank Holiday

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 18th July

Monday 21st July 2025: non-pupil day (PD Day)

Tuesday 22nd July 2025: non-pupil day (PD Day)

Summer Half-Term ~ Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025

End of Term ~ Friday 18th July 2025