



Horton Kirby C of E Primary School

Newsletter – 22nd July 2022

Headteacher's Message

I would like to thank all the members of our school community on what has been a long, but happy and successful year. Our Year 2 and Year 6 SATS results, along with Year 1 Phonics tests, have been the highest since the new curriculum was introduced and are well above national averages. We are also well above other schools nationally with the amount of children in school who achieve at Greater Depth. This is down to the hard work and commitment of all our teaching staff, the children and support from parents and carers. Once again, thank you and have a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing you all when we return on Thursday 1st September.

Our Values

At Horton Kirby Church of England Primary School, we aim to be the very best we can for ourselves, for others and for God. Our School values are:

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience and Reflection.

Attendance

Attendance matters – we aim for all children to achieve 96% attendance within the school year.

Key Dates

Separate document to follow.

Safeguarding

Action for Children are a charity who protect and support children and young people, providing practical and emotional care and support. They work to ensure their voices are heard, and campaign to bring lasting improvements to young people's lives. They also have a Parenting Hub, with a wealth of information to support parents and carers.

www.actionforchildren.org.uk

Have a safe and happy summer. If you have any concerns regarding children's safety or welfare you can contact social services on 03000 41 24 45 and they will advise you on the best course of action.

Behaviour outside of school

All pupils are expected to behave appropriately when walking to and from school, as they are in school uniform, therefore representing the school. We expect pupils to be considerate members of the local community. We are always delighted to hear positive feedback about our pupils, and they should wear their uniform smartly and with pride and show good manners to those around them at all times.

Absences

Please could all absences be reported to the school office on the morning of each day your child is absent. You can either leave a voice message on 01322 863278 or email office@hortonkirby.kent.sch.uk.

Healthy Eating

A gentle reminder that we are a healthy eating school. Children are NOT allowed to bring in sweets, chocolates (Mars bars etc., and fizzy drink in their lunchboxes – this week several children have been seen with two or three chocolate bars/sweets in their packed lunch and although a treat is allowed this is excessive. The following link will take you to a website full of healthy lunch box ideas: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

School Car Park

We have recently noticed a lot of parents/carers driving into the school car park to drop off children. Please be aware that you are only allowed to use the school car park if this has been authorised by the headteacher. Thank you for your co-operation.

Event Highlights

Some of our amazing year 6's raised £130 for the British Heart Foundation by taking part in car washing.

