

A special mention to:

You all, for your very kind donations to The Trussell Trust foodbank collection. There were more than 320 items donated. Thank you.



For those who may have forgotten, please do not worry, we are able to accept donations on Monday.

Christmas Story Time

As we do not want to let COVID 19 dampen our Christmas spirit, Foundation Stage and KS1 children would like to invite parents/grandparents to read them a Christmas story via video. Parents/grand parents can record the story with the help of their child or as a lovely surprise.

It would be a super Christmas treat for the children to see some different faces reading them a story. Even more so, if it was a surprise.

Drop off and Pick up times

As you may or may not realise, we have not, as yet, had a COVID-19 positive within our school community (to our knowledge). Therefore, unlike many schools, we have not had to close any part/bubble of the school. We are in an extremely small minority of schools that can say this.

We cannot stress enough the importance in continuing to follow government guidance to remain in this minority group. As we have already reiterated, please arrive promptly to your child's start time, but also, please vacate the area as soon as possible after pick-up.

At the beginning of this week, we sadly witnessed KS2 children breaking the branches of the small trees at the front of the school and knocking into small children and their parents.

The grass area outside the school is currently the drop off and pick up point for the youngest children of our school and is therefore an unsuitable running space for KS2 children waiting for their younger siblings. The younger children of the school are still developing their road safety awareness, and some do not, as yet, understand the difference between running on the grass and running on to a road. Whilst we are enduring these difficult times, can we please ask parents of KS2 children to encourage them to consider the safety of others, whilst setting a good example to their younger peers.

Hot School Meals

Please be aware, we are unable to change or book Hot School Meal orders on a day to day basis. Please ensure hot meal orders/requests are with the office by the Friday of the previous week. Thank you

Friday 27th November 2020



Admission Arrangements

The Warriner Multi Academy Trust is consulting on changes to the Admissions arrangements for Hornton Primary School for entry to the school in September 2022. The Consultation is open from 26th November 2020 – 29th January 2021.

The proposed Policy can be viewed via the 'News and Events page on our website.

<u>https://www.horntonprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Admissions+Policy+Consultation&pid=102&action=sa</u>ved

The Summary of changes; are

1. Changes to oversubscription criteria:

- Removal of criteria "
- Removal of "Disabled children who need to be admitted to a school on the grounds of physical accessibility"
- Member of staff criteria added at criteria 5.
- Removal of nursery criteria

2. Changes to the way distance is measured;

• Distance is now measured in a straight line rather than the shortest route

If you have any comments on the changes being proposed, please forward them to the Clerk to the Warriner Multi Academy Trust; Catherine Musgrove **c.musgrove@warriner.oxon.sch.uk**

Christmas schedule

- Wednesday 16th December, our school lunch providers have a traditional Christmas dinner on the menu. Please book this through the office as normal.
- Thursday 17th December, the children will be enjoying a party afternoon, with snacks provided by the PTA.
- Friday 18th December, non-uniform Christmas jumper/festive outfit day
- Friday 18th December, school finishes early for Christmas
 - Pre-school and Orchard 12 pm
 - Oak 12.05 pm
 - Willow 12.10 pm
 - o Rowan 12. 15 pm

Breakfast Club/After School Club

Our wrap around care facilities are now up and running. Please contact the school office if you would like to make use of Breakfast and/or After school club.

Coronavirus

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the 'Test and Trace' and testing guidelines so far.

Hornton Primary School COVID-19 Full reopening 'Risk assessment 'is available on our website. https://www.horntonprimaryschool.co.uk/_site/data/files/cv/BD881DC4C74667E03B580BA9F645B658.doc

Hornton Primary School remote learning plan is available on our website. https://www.horntonprimaryschool.co.uk/_site/data/files/cv/98F59C4BFC3AFD96A1633FF1BE1D21FA.docx

The current guidance for schools, updated 26th November 2020

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirusoutbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-

schools?utm_source=5%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campai gn=DfE%20C19 The current guidance for parents and carers was updated 27th November 2020.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term

Allergies

A quick reminder that Hornton Primary School is a nut free zone. We have several children with severe allergies. This includes nut-based chocolate spreads.

Thank you for your continuing support The HPS Team