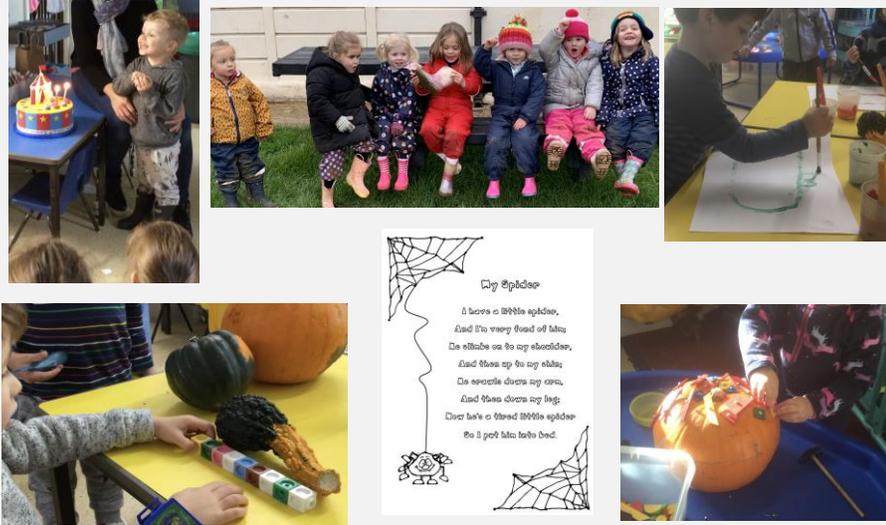


# Hornton Primary School



*My Spider*

I have 8 little spiders,  
And I'm very fond of him  
He sits on my shoulder,  
And then up to my elbow,  
He crawls down my arm,  
And then down my leg,  
But he's a friend I'll be glad  
To let him be!

## Calendar of Events

### Term 2

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Nov.** - Start of term  
**Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov.** - Flu Immunisations  
**Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Nov.** - Yrs 1-2 Cross Country, Sibford  
**Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov** - 'Children in need' day PTA  
**Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov** - 'Rags 2 Riches' clothing collection 9am PTA  
**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Nov.** - Whole School Hockey Festival  
**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov** - Vegetable model competition PTA  
**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> - Thu 25<sup>th</sup> Nov.** - Yrs 1-6 Parents meetings  
**Thu 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Second hand uniform sale - 3.15pm PTA  
**Thu 25<sup>th</sup> Nov.** - KS1 Multi Skills, Warriner  
**Tue 30<sup>th</sup> Nov.** - Yrs 1-2 Trip to SnowDome MK  
**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Dec.** - Yrs 3-4 Trip to Pantomime, Chipping Norton  
**Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.** - Yrs 3-4 Dodgeball, Warriner  
**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas movie night - PTA  
 5.30pm-7pm Peachtree, Reception, Yrs 1&2  
 7.15pm-8.45pm Yrs 3,4,5 and 6  
**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Festive non school uniform day PTA  
**Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Dec.** - Whole School Christmas Celebration X 2  
 (afternoon & evening)  
**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec.** - Last day of term 12.30pm finish

### Term 3

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Jan.** - Start of term  
**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Jan.** - National Child  
 Measurement Programme - Yrs R & 6  
**Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Jan.** - KS1 Dance, Warriner  
**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Feb.** - Whole School Tag Rugby  
 Festival  
**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Feb.** - Last day of term

### Term 4

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Feb.** - Start of term  
**Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Mar.** - Yrs 5 & 6 Trip to Blists Hill Museum, Telford  
**Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Mar.** - Yrs 1-2 Trip to Oxford Museum  
**Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Mar.** - Yrs 3-4 Trip to Lunt Fort, Coventry  
**Thu 17<sup>th</sup> Mar.** - Yrs 1-2 Football, Warriner  
**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> & Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar.** - Rec. Class Parent Meetings  
**Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Mar.** - Whole School Rounders Festival  
**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> - Thu 31<sup>st</sup> Mar.** - Yrs 1-6 Parents Meetings  
**Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Apr.** - Whole School Spring Assembly  
**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Apr.** - Last day of term

### Term 5

**Tue 26<sup>th</sup> Apr.** - Start of term  
**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> May** - Bank Holiday  
**Thu 19<sup>th</sup> May** - Yrs 3-4 & 5-6 Quad Kids, Warriner  
**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May** - Whole School Tennis Festival  
**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May** - Yrs 5-6 Residential  
**Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May** - End of Term

### Term 6

**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Jun.** - Start of term  
**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Jun.** - Yrs 3-4 Trip to Cogges Museum, Witney  
**Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Jun.** - Yrs 1-2 Trip to London  
**Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Jun.** - Yrs 5-6 Cricket, Sibford  
**Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Jun.** - New Rec. Parents Meeting  
**Tue 21<sup>st</sup> Jun.** - Year 5-6 Trip to National space Centre,  
 Leicester  
**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> - Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - Multi Skills Sports Week  
**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - Multi Skills Show, Parents invited  
**Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - Whole School End of Yr Assembly  
**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - School Reports sent out  
**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - Yr 6 trip to 'Go Ape'  
**Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Jul.** - Yr 6 Afternoon Tea  
**Thu 21<sup>st</sup> Jul.** - Last day of term 12.30pm finish

## Extended wrap around care for term 2

**Breakfast club 8am-8.45 - £3.50**

**Hang out club**

**Option 1 3.15pm - 4.30pm £4.50**

**Option 2 3.15pm - 5.30pm £8.50**

**Extra-curricular after school clubs**

**3.15pm - 4.30pm £4.50**

**Monday - Football Yrs 4-6**

**Tuesday - Dance Yrs 1-6**

**Wednesday - Craft-it Yrs R-6**

**3.15pm - 5.00pm £6.00**

**Thursday - Forest school Wk 18/11 Yrs 3-6**

Letter attached for Forest School.

For booking please log onto parent pay to set up.



This week and next week to:

**Lewis Freya Henry Kitty**

**Patrick**

From us all at HPS!

## Class updates:

**Orchard Class:** Apples have been continuing to work on blending the sounds we already know and maths working out a number using our senses i.e. how many claps they can hear, feel how many objects there are in a bag. We discussed who is in our family and found out that all families are different. Talking about what jobs members of our family do has been fun, we also drew ourselves depicting what we would like to do when we get older. Peaches have been reading fiction and non fiction books to discuss our observations and understanding of Autumn, this together with a walk around the village on a leaf hunt to see how many different coloured leaves we could find. We have also been discussing and sharing photos of our families, comparing their size and which people live with us.

**Oak Class:** We have been busy writing some winter-themed acrostic poetry. Mrs Gamage and I have been extremely impressed with the children's ideas – some children have even used similes which was not a requirement for this unit of work! They have tried so hard and should be very proud. We have started our Arctic Explorers topic and have been learning about the continents and oceans of the world, which will then lead us to studying events and people related to the Arctic. A very successful first week back!

**Willow Class:** We have begun reading our core text for this term, 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We've made lots of inferences and used charcoal and oil pastels to recreate the opening illustration. We focussed our learning on similes this week and have drafted a descriptive poem which we will continue and showcase next week. Furthermore, we used information sheets to identify artefacts from the Stone Age. With thanks to Oxfordshire Museum for loaning us some incredible photographs and artefacts this term!

**Rowan Class:** We have been celebrating UK Parliament this week! This has involved: taking a virtual tour of parliament on the school laptops, holding a parliamentary debate and ballot vote (about whether or not all ten-year-olds should have mobile phones), and writing a letter to our local MP about an issue we feel strongly about. The letters were so impressive and the class really showed their passion for tackling some of societies biggest challenges. To round off the week we 'sowed the seeds of democracy' today by potting and planting some chilli seeds in the classroom and we will be watching closely as they develop and grow.



**Poppy Appeal** – All next week volunteers from year 6 will be around the entrance to school with poppies and other items from The Royal British Legion. Suggested donations are listed above. Please do try to support them if you can!



## In and around Hornton

Hornton and District WI have arranged a **Bingo** session in the pavilion on Friday November 12th to raise funds. Eyes down is at 7.30pm.

## Natural Talent

Now's the time to snap up a ticket for the Hornton Allsorts' next performance - the comedy 'Act Naturally'.

There will be fewer tickets available than usual because the audience won't be seated in the usual rows but around tables, cabaret style.

The play will take place in Hornton pavilion, which is the perfect location because Act Naturally involves a group...putting on a play in a village hall!

The three performances will be held on November 18, 19 and 20th. Up to six people may share a table. You may either bring your own drinks or, when you buy your ticket, you may pre-purchase a bottle of wine or lager.

Hornton's very own Queen of Tickets, Isabel Harris, has kindly agreed to run the box office and the £10 tickets can be ordered from her by phone on 01295 670304 or by email at [isabelle\\_harris@btinternet.com](mailto:isabelle_harris@btinternet.com)

## Information this week:

**Is your child 3 or 4 years old?**

**Primary school place – you must apply now**

If your child was born on or between **1 September 2017** and **31 August 2018**, you need to apply for a primary school place now.

You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school.

Deadline for applications is **15 January 2022**.

**Apply online at**  
[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)  
– it's quick, easy and secure.

You can get free access to the internet at many of our libraries and children's centres – ask for details at your local facility.

**For help and information:**  
Web: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)  
Email: [admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk)  
Tel: 0345 241 2487

**OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

### Please donate to our **\*new\*** pre-loved uniform shop!

The PTA has decided to run a second-hand uniform sale, after school, on the last Thursday of every month. The first sale will be on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November. By donating your child's pre-loved uniform items, you will be helping us raise much-needed funds for school, as well as giving the items a new lease of life within our school community. Plus, re-using clothes is kinder on our wallets and the planet!

- We are accepting **both logo'd and plain items** in good condition (the odd paint stain isn't the end of the world though!)
- Items we need: jumpers/sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts, PE t-shirts, skirts, trousers, dresses, and blue/navy/black PE joggers, hoodies and shorts.
- Please bring items into school w/c Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November and leave them **outside the main front door, in the dedicated box**.
- Any questions? Speak to Holly Busby – usually seen outside Oak and Willow classrooms at drop-off and pick-up ☐.

See you at the sale!

A PTA events letter is also attached.

**A reminder** that if you are wishing to enter the school grounds to drop off or collect children, can you please make sure that you ring the buzzer and wait for the office or a member of school staff only, to open the gate.

**Forest School** – As the weather is getting colder in the run up to Christmas it is good if all children have a mixture of layers to wear including hats, gloves and thick socks every week. We can take it off but we cannot put it on if we don't have it!

In our after school sessions it is becoming dark very quickly and although we do remind children to place any unwanted items on a log around the fire circle so we know where they are, sometimes they do get mislaid somewhere on site. Do not worry, we do a site sweep in the daylight to retrieve any mislaid items!

When collecting your child at 5pm, do not worry if we are not at our base. We sometimes travel around Hornton and we will be back!

**Cross Country – Oak Class – 11.11.21** – The Cross County festival is taking places next Thursday morning at Sibford School. Please can you give consent for your child to travel to and from Sibford by coach via ParentPay by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November at the latest. We will be back in time for lunch. Please can you send your child in wearing their PE kit with school uniform for when we return to school.

**Postbox** – We no longer use the outside postbox and it seems that the tape was removed that sealed the entrance, without the office staff knowing. We have emptied the box and retrieved several documents inside. We apologise to those who have posted these. The box is being removed from the wall next week, if you could give all paper correspondence to your class teacher or the office moving forward.

If your child is feeling unwell please do let us know on the morning by emailing the office: [office.2001@hornton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2001@hornton.oxon.sch.uk) or by leaving a message on the answerphone, if prior to the start of the day: 01295 670335. We do wonder where you are when you don't arrive!

Jenny and Tracy would like to remind everyone that it would be helpful if clubs, meals etc. were booked on parent pay by Thursday at midnight, for the producing of registers. However, in an emergency please do contact the office, we will of course book your child in: [office.2001@hornton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2001@hornton.oxon.sch.uk)

Hornton school has a website, do have a look: [horntonprimaryschool.co.uk](http://horntonprimaryschool.co.uk)  
We do have social media pages too! Take a look at Facebook for both Hornton School and Peachtree and Hornton school for Instagram, these are updated regularly. It would be great if we had some up to date reviews added to the pages when you have a little time.

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

The newsletters are available to view on the school website.

Best wishes  
The HPS team