

**A special mention to:**

As a whole team, we had decided to recognise a child in each class, nominated by their peers, for showing the positive behaviour attributes we strive for at Hornton Primary School.

## *Our Class Cup Awardees*



**Melody  
Rowan Class**

*"For unwavering patience and perseverance, and persistent hard work and effort. She is calm and has a friendly nature. Melody is an excellent Year 6 in the making, and a fantastic example for others in the class to follow."*

**Zak  
Willow Class**

*"For showing great effort, perseverance, and resilience in everything you have faced. Your positive learning attitude and respect for the class rules is outstanding. Zak, you've certainly set the bar high! Well done!"*



**Tommy  
Oak Class**

*"For displaying a positive attitude to learning, staying focused on tasks until completion and being a good friend to everyone in the class."*



**Imogen  
Orchard Class**

*"For her bright and cheerful attitude towards new learning and fabulous resilience when trying to conquer a skill. She always tries her best and is a thoughtful and kind friend."*



**Very well done!**

### **Teacher Vacancy**

As per my email earlier in the week, I am delighted to announce the appointment of Jade Gibbons to the post of part time Foundation Stage Teacher. Jade will join us in January.

### **Warriner Multi Academy Trust Laptop Programme**

Please see attached information regarding a much discounted and easy pay method to purchasing HP ProBook x360 G5, using a discount code specific to the families of Hornton Primary School.

### **Guinness Book of Records please?**

The children are really enjoying the 2 copies of the 'Guinness Book of World Records' that we have in the library. If anyone has any old copies gathering dust at home (post 2010), that they no longer need, we would gratefully add them to our library collection? Thank you

### **Reading books**

Just a quick note about how we support children's reading in KS1. As in any other area of learning/curriculum, there is no set path on which children learn. In respect of this, we have long decided to break free from reading schemes and follow the individual reading needs of each child. In school, we have a vast resource of early reading books, some from reading schemes, some from elsewhere. In Reception and KS1, the books chosen for each child are based on their current ability and interests and not selected because it is the next one in a scheme, level or colour, supplied by a company who have absolutely no idea how your child learns.

### **Courteous Behaviour**

Whilst I am aware the vast majority of parents driving in and out of the village are respectful and considerate towards the village and its residents, I have this week, received two separate reports of aggressive and threatening behaviour from a school parent towards both a village resident and another school parent, both of who were very distressed. When we are educating the next generation to be kind, tolerant and respectful citizens, it is disappointing to hear of a parent modelling such appalling behaviour. As role models and representatives of our school, please act in a polite and courteous manner.

### **Rags to Riches Collection**

The PTA have arranged another used clothing collection from 'Rags 2 Riches' on Friday 6th November. Please collect all your old clothes, shoes, belts and bags to help us raise money for our school.

Simply bag up your old things, drop off outside school on the morning of the collection day (grass area by school sign), and that's it!

Please use regular bin bags.

The link below details what items are accepted

<https://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk/what-we-collect/>

If you have any questions, please speak to Natalie King

### **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 Covid-19 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](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](https://www.horntonprimaryschool.co.uk/_site/data/files/cv/98F59C4BFC3AFD96A1633FF1BE1D21FA.docx)

The current guidance for schools, updated 21st October 2020

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

The current guidance for parents and carers was updated 16<sup>th</sup> October 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>

### **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**