



Friday 15th November, forthcoming events for the week commencing Monday 18th November 2024

Monday	18.11.24	8.00 -8.40 am 3.15 – 4.30 pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Science trip to the Think Tank in Birmingham Rowan and Willow Class Hang Out after school club Just Dance Club, Chess Club and Homework Club
Tuesday	19.11.24	8.00 -8.40 am 3.15-4.15 pm 3.15 – 4.30 pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Football Club Keystage 2 (School playground) Hang Out after school club
Wednesday	20.11.24	8.00 – 8.40 am 3.15 - 4.15 pm 3.15 - 4.30 pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Key stage 1 Art Club Hang Out after school club
Thursday	21.11.24	8.00 – 8.40 am 3.15 - 4.15 pm 3.15 - 4.30 pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Hang Out after school club Forest School
Friday	22.11.24	8.00 – 8.40 am 3.15 - 4.30 pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Hang Out after school club Oak Class Tree Planting 2.00-3.00pm

Diary Dates

18th November- Science trip to the Think Tank in Birmingham Rowan and Willow Class

6th December- 'Bringing Generations Together Christmas Tea' 2.00-4.00 pm Willow Class

5th December- Oak Class Nativity Play 11.00 am and 2.00 pm

11th December- Key Stage 2 Evening Carol Concert at 6.30 pm

13th December- Peach Tree and Apple Class Nativity Play 2.00 pm

15th December- School and Village Christingle Service at Hornton Church at 4.00 pm

16th December- Christmas Disco- Peach Tree, Apples and Oak Class 4.30-5.30 pm Willow and Rowan
6.00-7.00 pm

19th December- School finishes for the Christmas Holidays at 12.00 pm

Update on Oak Class

The dehumidifying technicians have removed all their equipment. Northdown Property Services will join us on Monday to start the restoration work. This means we can proceed with plastering, painting, and laying the new carpet. Our hope for the children's moving-in date is December 6th.

We have moved the classroom to the back room of the pavilion, for an event this weekend. If anyone is available to help Miss Goddard move the tables and chairs back into position at 8:30 AM on Monday, we would greatly appreciate your help.



HORNTON PTA CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS

Christmas is coming, and the PTA are ready with some festive activities for you and your children!

Christmas cards and gifts!

Mrs Cockle has once again worked her magic, and there will be Christmas cards and gifts featuring a design created by your child, available to purchase from MyChildsArt.co.uk . A leaflet will be sent home in the coming days with the login details. 20% of each sale is donated to our school!

Monday 2nd December - *The Hornton Big Trolley Dash!*

Bring in two (or more!) Christmas essentials and add them to our festive trolley, being watched by our helpful Christmas elf. Choose what you think his name might be; if you guess correctly, half of the items in the trolley will be your prize! We will be donating the other half to a local charity to make hampers for those in need. Some suggestions for essentials are below, we would love a good selection!

- Wrapping paper, ribbon, sellotape, batteries
- Cranberry sauce, gravy granules, stuffing
- Tinsel, lights, baubles, tree topper
- Christmas cake, mince pies, tinned food
- Crackers, napkins, candles
- Small gifts, toys, selection boxes

Monday 16th December - *Christmas Disco Grotto!*

This year, we have decided to combine two festive events for the children to make one big Christmas bash! We are hosting a Christmas disco with a grotto, so the children will all be able to dance with their friends and visit Father Christmas! Each child will receive a Santa hat as they enter and a gift from the big man himself! There will also be a sweet shop run by our school council to buy themselves a treat and a drink.

- Key stage 1 - 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm
- Key stage 2 - 6 pm to 7 pm

Tickets are completely free and will be available before and after school w/c 9th December.

The PTA Team

Just a quick reminder that children **should not bring toys, Pokémon cards, or lego** from home to school. They can be quite distracting and often lead to arguments among the children. We would really appreciate it if you could encourage your children to keep these items at home.

The school, together with Hornton Parish, are developing a school garden and wildlife project on land at the pavilion and sports field. This a great opportunity to create a wonderful educational nature space and allow children to create their own 'edible garden'. This project will enable us to extend the extremely valuable forest area regularly used by the children in our Nursery/EYFS provision and the children in Keystage 2.

Much of the preparation on the site is well underway and I would like to thank Phil Holt for all his work.



Hornton Primary School Tree Planting Afternoons

We want to engage the school community in this project as much as possible and need more volunteers to help progress the work as rapidly as possible. There is still a little more work to prepare the ground for planting, but the main task will be planting trees this autumn. Two hundred hedgerow tree plants are arriving in November, so we need to get planting. Each Class will have an afternoon where we invite children and their parents to come and plant a tree.

Please come and join us.

Oak Class- Friday 22nd of November, 2.00-3.00 pm

EYFS Apple Class- Thursday, 28th of November, 2.00-3.00 pm

Willow Class- Thursday, 28th of November, 2.00-3.00 pm

Rowan Class- Friday 29th of November, 2.00-3.00 pm

If you have any spades, please bring them in the afternoon and wear wellies; we might get muddy!

If anyone has any time before these dates and would like to help prepare the ground, please do let me know.

‘Rotary Children Singing for Children’

Congratulations to our wonderful school choir on their recent performance of ‘Children Singing for Children’, which took place on Monday at St Mary’s Church in Banbury. The annual festival is a highlight in our musical calendar and the choir have been busy rehearsing since September. A big thank you must go to Mrs Sanders who has worked so hard with this group of children.



Sixteen schools sang over the three nights. It was great fun performing with the other schools and also entertaining the audience, I think our parents cheered the loudest. We can’t wait to repeat our success at the ‘Young Voices’ concert in Birmingham (January).

Term 2 Family Homework Project The family project for this term is to make a Christmas decoration/cracker for our school Christmas tree. We will be decorating the tree on the 2nd of December, so please make sure you bring your bauble/hanging object by this date. There will not be any prizes, but we are really looking forward to making our school look festive and colourful. This was such a success last year and now firmly forms part of the Hornton Primary School Christmas traditions!

Ellie Freeman has asked me to add this flyer for the Horley Christmas Market. Last year lots of families from Hornton attended and really enjoyed the event.



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St Etheldreda's Church
with support from
The Michael Hardinge Trust
'Stay and Play' Group

for babies and pre-schoolers in Horley
and the surrounding villages

Horley Old School Hall

Every Thursday morning

from 26th September to 24th October 2024

10.30am - 12pm

babygroup@ironstonebenefice.org

No booking required

Children must be accompanied by
a parent or guardian at all times

The Michael Hardinge Trust
is a registered charity (no. 309585)

FAQs

Where is the school hall?

The hall is behind St Etheldreda's church in Horley.
From the road, follow the path through the churchyard and out of the gate - the hall is on your left.

Can I arrive late?

Yes, you're welcome any time!

Do I need to book?

No need to book, but please contact babygroup@ironstonebenefice.org if you would like to let us know you're coming or to ask any questions.

What does it involve?

This is an informal social group for children and parents, with a range of books and toys for independent and collaborative play. As the group grows, we may introduce more structured activities.

Are there baby changing facilities?

Yes, there are toilets and baby changing facilities in the hall.

Is any food and drink provided?

There will be tea, coffee, squash and biscuits.

Do I need to accompany my child?

Yes - but if you would like another suitable adult to accompany them (such as a grandparent or nanny), please just let us know in advance.

Do I need to pay?

Attendance is free of charge, but we would welcome a £2 donation to help run the group.

Where can I park?

There is on-street parking on Church Lane

At the end of the school day, please be very conscious that the gate is open; we would not want any child to find himself or herself on the road without an adult.

Hornton Pavilion

Hornton Pavilion (Village Hall) is a warm welcoming venue ideal for Birthday Parties.

To view and discuss booking dates contact Isabelle Harris on 01295 670304.