



Hornton Primary School

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

This week at Hornton

In our recent assembly, I shared the story of Bethan's Rock, inspired by the BBC News story about a young girl who donated her special rock to Poole Museum. The story reminded us that even simple, everyday things can hold great meaning and that kindness and steadiness, being someone else's "rock", are qualities that make a real difference. The children were fascinated by the idea and shared that they too have special rocks they would love to display in a museum. As we are famous for our local Hornton Stone, we thought it would be a wonderful idea to create our very own school display – a "Museum of Rocks". If you find a special stone over the weekend bring it in on Monday and we will add it to the cabinet.



From, Mrs Whitehouse

Events for w/c 13th October



Monday

8.00 – 8.40 am – Breakfast Club
3.15 – 4.30 pm – Musical Theatre Hang Out After School Club
3.15–5.30 pm – Extended After School/Hang Out

Tuesday

8.00 – 8.40 am – Breakfast Club
Keystage 2 Trip to see Matilda at The Warriner School
3.15 – 4.30 pm – Hang Out After School Club
3.15–5.30 pm – Extended After School/Hang Out

Wednesday

8.00 – 8.40 am – Breakfast Club
3.15 – 4.30 pm – Lego Hang Out After School Club
3.15–5.30 pm – Extended After School/Hang Out

Thursday

8.00 – 8.40 am – Breakfast Club
3.15 – 4.30 pm – Forest School or Hamma Bead Hang Out After School Club
3.15–5.30 pm – Extended After School/Hang Out

Friday

8.00 – 8.40 am – Breakfast Club
3.15 – 4.30 pm – Hang Out After School Club
3.15–5.30 pm – Extended After School/Hang Out



**COMING
SOON!**

Dates For The Diary

14 th October	Keystage 2 Trip to see Matilda at The Warriner School
19 th October	Painting Party 1 - 4pm
20 th & 21 st October	Parent & Carers Evening
22 nd October	Book Look 8 - 8.45am, come in & celebrate your child's work & end of Term 1
4 th November	Read, Write Inc Phonics meeting 7pm in Oak Classroom
7 th November	PTA Bingo Evening 6pm at the Pavillion
12 th November	Rotary Club Singing Performance at St Mary's Church, Banbury (Keystage 2)

Join us for our painting party on
Sunday 19th October.

We'd love to invite all parents and carers to join us during the afternoon on the 19th of October, from **1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**, as we give our school a fresh splash of colour! No painting experience is needed—just a willingness to help make our school a brighter, more welcoming place for our children. While you paint, we will take care of the children and provide cake and tea to keep everyone going. If you can join us, please let Nicole Scarsbrook or myself know. We really appreciate your support!

Did you know that we are on
social media too?

We now have an Instagram account which is managed by Miss Goddard. We are hoping to share as many pictures as possible with you showing all the fun activities we enjoy at school.



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THANK
YOU!



We've teamed up with parkrun UK to become a parkrun primary!

How does this benefit Hornton Primary School?



Junior parkrun encourages children, families and staff to enjoy regular physical activity outside of school hours and lays the foundation for lifelong positive mindset towards movement.



Connecting with your local junior parkrun strengthens community links and fosters a sense of belonging. It provides opportunities for everyone to come together in a positive, inclusive environment outside the classroom.



It's not just running and walking. Everyone can also volunteer with junior parkrun and build confidence, develop new skills, and contribute meaningfully to the community. These experiences support the national educational framework.



It offers the ability to put the PE and PSHE curriculum into practice in the real-world, demonstrating commitment to holistic education.



67% of parents report that junior parkrun improves their child's physical activity levels and their enjoyment of it too. Children report feeling proud, full of energy, and confident.



Our local junior parkrun is Spiceball Country Park junior parkrun which takes place **every Sunday morning at 9am.**

We have some Hornton Primary School children who already take part regularly but it would be great to see more join in the Sunday morning fun.

PTA Bingo Fun!



Hornton School is Raising Money with a

BINGO

Night live

£10 Entry which includes a free Soft drink

GAMES FUN PRIZE

NOVEMBER 7TH / DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

AT THE PAVILION

Available to Purchase:
Soft Drinks
Tea/ Coffee
Bring your own Alcohol

AWESOME PRIZES TO WIN!

There will be plenty of chances to win - with prizes available in both the raffle and the bingo!

You could win vouchers from The Entertainer, Bulb Hair Salon, or The Steamhouse, enjoy a Family Swim at Spiceball, relax with a massage, take home a beautiful Christmas tree from Hadsham Farm, or treat your pet to a wash and blow dry from Dairyground Paws - with even more prizes still being added!

WE NEED your SUPPORT!

The PTA team has been working behind the scenes to bring this event together, but we'd really appreciate your support. If you have any bottles of wine, gifts, or prizes you could donate, we'd love to include them in our Bingo raffle. Please drop donations into the box in the entrance hall at school.

Mrs Scarsbrook will be selling bingo tickets in the playground, so please pop over to buy a ticket. Tickets are £10.00 each, which includes a soft drink. She'll also be selling raffle tickets at £1 each (cash only please) - we are all really looking forward to a fun night!

RAFFLE

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EYFS - We Love Maths!



Willow - going back in time to the Stoneage with their writing



Rowan - Basketball with Mr Runcorn



Oak have been making leaf caterpillars - ordering leaves from lightest to darkest to show the changes in deciduous trees

Banbury Rotary Club Children Singing for Children Concert – Wednesday 12th November 7.00–8.15 pm. Tickets for parents to watch the performance will be available nearer the time. We are delighted to have been invited to take part in the Banbury Rotary club concerts once again this year. This is an exciting performance opportunity which is open to all KS2 students. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to be involved in fund raising as a part of the wider community, as well as providing a unique opportunity to experience the excitement of singing as part of a choir of more than 100 children backed by professional musicians. All Key Stage 2 children have started to learn the songs during their music lessons and everyone has the opportunity to be involved.

Dogs on the Playground – We know that many of our families enjoy bringing their four-legged friends with them at drop-off and pick-up, and they are allowed on our playground. We do ask, however, that dogs are kept on a short lead at all times. Please also be mindful that some children may feel nervous around dogs, so a little extra care helps everyone feel safe and comfortable.

Phonics Evening – Read, Write Inc We would like to share some of the teaching techniques and give you an overview of our phonics scheme. This meeting will be useful for parents of children in Nursery, EYFS and Year 1. The meeting will be held in Oak class at 7:00 p.m. on 4th November and should last no longer than an hour. If you would like any further information please email Alexa hart, a.hart@hornton.oxon.sch.uk.

Parking – As we all know, we have limited parking available in the immediate vicinity of the school. Even so, it is imperative that we continue to park with respect to the residents of Hornton and their right of way to their homes. There is ample parking available at the Pavilion, from where it is a short and pleasant walk to the school. A few minutes extra walking time will make such a difference to the congestion around the school and the combined safety of children, parents and residents.

