



# Hornton Primary School

## WEEKEND NEWSLETTER

### This week at Hornton

This week in assembly, we explored the story "Lenny the Lion Who Didn't Roar Like the Others," a tale about celebrating difference and showing kindness, courage and empathy. The children reflected on how we all have unique strengths and how important it is to support one another, even when we do not all look, sound or act the same. Lenny's gentle roar reminded us that every voice in our school matters, and that being true to ourselves helps our whole community thrive. This message was beautifully reflected at the Rotary Singing Concert, where, despite being one of the smallest schools, our children sang with incredible confidence and roared the loudest.



From, Mrs Whitehouse

### Events for w/c 24th November

#### 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  
7pm - PTA Meeting in Willow Class

#### Tuesday

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

#### 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  
Willow Class Dodgeball at the Warriner School  
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  
Christmas Intergenerational Tea for Willow Class - 1 to 3.15pm





**COMING  
SOON!**

# Dates For The Diary

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| <b>Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> | <b>Willow Class Dodgeball at the Warriner School</b>   |
| <b>Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>   | <b>Christmas Intergenerational Tea for Willow Class - 1 to 3.15pm</b>  |
| <b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>    | <b>Last Week of Clubs</b>  |
| <b>Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</b>   | <b>Oak Class Nativity Dress Rehearsal</b>  |
| <b>Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b>   | <b>Oak Class Nativity 'Everyone Loves A Baby' 11am and 2pm</b>   |
| <b>Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>  | <b>Rowan Class Tag Rugby Festival</b>  |
| <b>Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>    | <b>Christingle Service - 4.30pm at St John The Baptist Church</b>  |
| <b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>    | <b>Oak Class Christmas Elf Chase at the Gaydon Motor Museum</b>  |
| <b>Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>   | <b>Reception and Nursery Nativity Play 10-11am at the Methodist Chapel</b>   |
| <b>Weds 10<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>  | <b>Reception and Nursery Nativity Play 10-11am at the Methodist Chapel</b>   |
| <b>Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b> | <b>Reception Class to visit Stick Man at Banbury Mill and Nursery Christmas Party with a visit from Father Christmas</b> |
| <b>Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b> | <b>Shop &amp; Drop: Christmas PJ Film Night - more details coming soon!</b>  |
| <b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>  | <b>Rowan and Willow Class visit to Oxford Playhouse - Dick Whittington</b>   |
| <b>Weds 17<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>  | <b>Christmas Lunch for the whole school and Rowan and Willow Class - Christmas Carol Concert</b>                         |
| <b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>   | <b>Last day of term - finish at 12pm</b>   |



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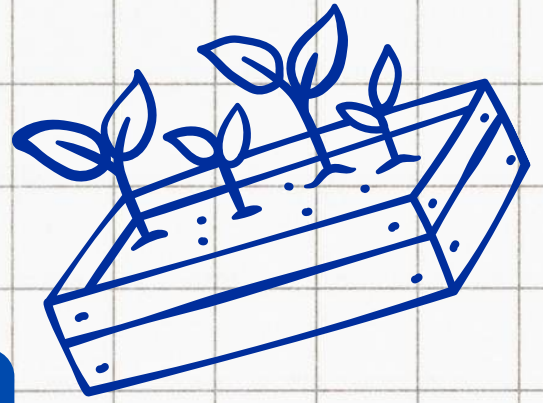
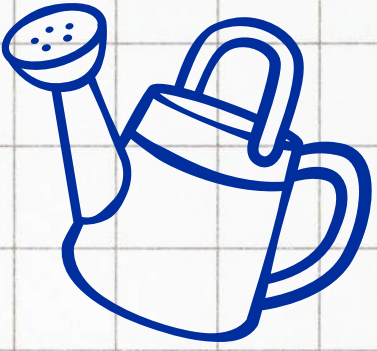
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Primary PTA



## PTA's Shop & Drop: Christmas PJ Film Night

Get your Christmas shopping done in peace while we bring the festive fun!

Join us on 11th Dec, 6 - 8pm. Children are invited to come cosy in their pyjamas, enjoy a movie and snacks at school, while you dash off to the shops (or just grab a quiet coffee!).



## Eco Council

Today, Mrs Fowler, our Growing Coordinator, met with Phil Holt to talk about our plans for our school and community garden. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful outdoor space, and we are looking forward to holding our Growing Day on the 22nd of March. Donna then shared these plans with the Eco Council- they gave so many creative ideas as to what to do with these spaces. It is going to be a great year.

## Family Christmas Bauble/ decoration challenge

It is that time of year again when we ask every child to make a colourful Christmas decoration for our school Christmas tree. Decorating the school tree with our homemade decorations has become a special tradition, and we are looking forward to seeing this year's creations. Please bring your festive masterpieces to school on 1st December and pop them into your class collection box. Let the Christmas crafting begin!



*ho ho ho*



## Key stage 2 Choir Shine at Rotary Concert

A huge congratulations to our Key Stage 2 choir, who gave a fantastic performance at St Mary's last week! The concert, organised by the Rotary Club of Banbury, was a wonderful opportunity to be part of an event that raises so much money for local charities. Once again, our children were exceptionally well-behaved, sang beautifully, and were justifiably very proud of themselves. A special thanks goes to Mrs Sanders for organising the event and encouraging our children to perform with such confidence. We would also like to thank our parents for being the loudest and most enthusiastic supporters in the entire audience.

CONGRATULATIONS



**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.

**Hornton Primary School Admissions Policy Consultation** - Our school has a new Admissions Policy, and the consultation opens this week. The policy can be found on our school website in the News section. If you would like to comment or share your views, please send your feedback by email. We welcome and value your input.

**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.

