



Friday 23 March 2018, forthcoming events for the week commencing 26 March 2018			
Monday	26.3.18	8am-9am 3.15pm-4.30pm	Breakfast club Hang out after school club NO Year 6 SATs club today
Tuesday	27.3.18	8am-9am 9am-12pm 3.15pm-4.30pm	Breakfast club Orchard Class to Haddsham Farm this morning Hang out after school club NO Year 6 SATs club today
Wednesday	28.3.18	8am-9am 3.15pm-4.30pm	Breakfast club Hang out after school club
Thursday	29.3.18	8am-9am 1.30pm 3.15pm-4.30pm 3.15pm-4.30pm	Breakfast club Easter Assembly Hang out after school club HPS Orchestra
Friday	30.3.18		Good Friday – School Closed for Easter

Thank you

As we rapidly approach the end of term and welcome the extended Easter break, I'd like to extend my thanks to you all for the well wishes about my forthcoming arrival. My partner and I are expecting our first child to arrive anytime in the next week or two. I will be taking 2 weeks of paternity leave straight after the Easter break so won't be in school again until April 30th. Mrs Locke will be in charge while I'm away.

If I don't see you again, have a wonderful, restful Easter break.

Easter Assembly

In a change from the last few years, we will be holding a smaller scale Easter assembly in the chapel on Thursday at 1.30pm. It will last about 20 minutes and include some spring related songs and spring related performance from each class. Parents are invited but please be aware that assembly will only last 20 minutes or so and the children will be back in their lesson from about 2pm.

School Meals

This week has seen a couple teething problems with our school meals provider. Earlier in the week, Hillview were advised not to use their ovens until an engineer had inspected them to ensure they were safe and today chef miscounted the number of meals that had left the kitchen so we were short of a few fish fingers. I have contacted the kitchen and asked that these teething issues are sorted out as quickly as possible and have been reassured that everyone in the kitchen is working hard to ensure they won't happen again.

Safeguarding and child protection

A quick note about every school's statutory role in Keeping children safe

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is **everyone's** responsibility. **Everyone** who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children. In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all professionals should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the **best interests** of the child. No single professional can have a full picture of a child's needs and circumstances. If children and families are to receive the right help at the right time, **everyone** who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action.

Taken from 'Keeping children safe in education' - Statutory guidance for schools and colleges (2016)

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/550511/Keeping_children_safe_in_education.pdf

The role of school staff

School staff play an essential role in protecting children from abuse.

They have regular contact with children and young people, so are in a strong position to identify early signs of abuse and neglect.

Schools should:

- create safe environments for children and young people through robust safeguarding practices
- ensure that adults who work in the school, including volunteers, don't pose a risk to children
- make sure staff are trained, know how to respond to concerns and keep-up-to-date with policy and practice. Any staff member who has a concern about a child's welfare must follow the referral processes set out in paragraphs 21-27 of 'Keeping children safe in education' (2016)
- teach children and young people about staying safe
- maintain an environment where children feel confident to approach any member of staff if they have a worry or problem.
- have a designated safeguarding lead who will provide support to staff members to carry out their safeguarding duties and who will liaise closely with other services such as children's social care.

Hornton Primary School has a legal and moral duty to safeguard all children, and therefore must report any indications of abuse, including responding to disclosures. Any concern about a child's safety, allegation of abuse or disclosure must be reported. 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (2016) also states 'Where children leave the school or college, Safeguarding Leads must ensure their child protection file is transferred to the new school or college as soon as possible.'

Attendance this week		Thought for the day...	
Year R. – 98% Year 1 – 100% Year 2 – 97% Year 3 – 100% Year 4 – 98% Year 5 – 99% Year 6 – 96% Whole School Average – 98%		<p>Out of the night that covers me, Black as the pit from pole to pole, I thank whatever gods may be For my unconquerable soul.</p> <p>In the fell clutch of circumstance I have not winced nor cried aloud. Under the bludgeonings of chance My head is bloody, but unbowed.</p> <p>Beyond this place of wrath and tears Looms but the Horror of the shade, And yet the menace of the years Finds and shall find me unafraid.</p> <p>It matters not how strait the gate, How charged with punishments the scroll, I am the master of my fate, I am the captain of my soul.</p> <p>William Ernest Henley 1848-1903</p>	
Diary Dates			
30.3.18 – Good Friday 16.4.18 – Children return for term 5 24.4.18 – Willow class swimming sessions begin at Sibford School. Further details will sent home shortly 9.5.18 – School portraits being taken today 14-17.5.18 – Year 6 SATs week 24.5.18 – PTA Bake sale 25.5.18 – finish for term 5			
News from the PTA			
No updates this week			
Class Dojos			
100 Dojos	200 Dojos	300 Dojos	400 Dojos
	Bella Freman Peggy King	Jojo Atherton Rachel Burch Taliyah Igweh	
HPS Achievements this week			
Work of the Week Orchard Class – Arlo – for his wonderful work ethic and effort in everything this week Oak Class – Erin – for her brilliant rewriting of ‘Lila and the Secret of the Rain’ Willow Class – Cruz - for his superb effort and endeavour all week Rowan Class – Max – for his deeper thinking and excellent multiple representations in maths this week			

With very best wishes,
Matt Green
Headteacher