



WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 23rd October 2020

Dear Parents,

Firstly, we would like to thank you for all your support this half term. Whilst the term has been challenging, we have all worked together to make sure the school is open and safe for the children and staff.

This term has seen our nurture room provision open and is already in use daily for ELSA ([Emotional Literacy Support Assistant](#)) sessions and for 1-1 appointments with our school counsellor. The room is looking great thanks to the work by Miss Ash, our Inclusion Assistant Head Teacher. A calming wall mural has been installed inside with sofas and bean bags ready for the children to relax. We hope many of our children will benefit from this which has been funded by many donations from within the Horsell community. Thank you!



We are now meeting online weekly with a whole school assembly which showcases the work within each class. This has been great to bring the school together. As part of Poetry week, led by Miss Chadburn, the poet Joshua Seigal held an online poetry performance with our children and the children at Ravenscote Junior School. This again allowed the children to join together but also with many other children locally. This week, the whole school took part in lessons about Black History Month. Miss Shoberu led the planning and it provided great discussion and artwork in the classroom. We look forward to taking part in new events which inspire the children and take their learning 'outside the classroom'.

Next term, we will be looking forward to our festive celebrations. The Year 3 team are currently preparing their Nativity play so the children won't miss out on their drama performance—we are looking forward to seeing them shine on stage even if it is through a screen!

As always, we will continue to adapt to government guidance and the needs of our children. Part of this is working with you as parents. Should you have any concerns or wish to speak to a teacher, please do get in touch. We also welcome positive feedback- what is working well? We love to hear this too.

We hope you have a restful half-term break and look forward to welcoming the children back very soon.

Best wishes,
Mrs Brinicombe

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you

Dates for 2nd—6th November 2020

Monday 2nd November	<p>Children return to school</p> <p>Please return Christmas card forms to school if you have made an online order</p> <p>Deadline to register children for the Flu Vaccination by 4pm</p> <p>Applications open for children starting reception and Year 3 in September 2021</p>
Friday 6th November	<p>Bags2School Collection at the Crown Pub Car Park between 8am and 9am ONLY</p> <p>Snapshot reports sent home from school in preparation for Parent Conferences</p>



Did you know you can help raise funds for our school when shopping online?

To register with easyfundraising, please click [here](#).

The closing date for Year 6 to apply for Secondary School places is 31st October 2020.

Please visit surreycc.gov.uk/admissions

Interhouse Line-Tag Tournament

This term we started Interhouse events with our Year 5's and Year 6's taking part in our Interhouse Line Tag. All the children enjoyed taking part and having the opportunity to represent their house, earning themselves some house points.

Year 6 Results:

1st Place - Hatchlands and Polesdon

3rd Place - Clandon

4th Place - Loseley

Year 5 Results:

1st Place - Hatchlands

2nd Place - Loseley and Clandon

4th Place - Polesdon

Well done to all the children for taking part. Thank you to Mr Coles and the class teachers for helping make this a successful afternoon for the children.

After half term we are looking forward to seeing our Year 3's and Year 4's take part in their inter-house line tag.

Multi Sports spaces available

We still have spaces available for our Year 4, 5 and 6 Multi-Sports morning clubs after half term. Children who were taking part before half term do not need to rebook. Places for any children who wish to join after half term should be booked on Scopay* by 4th November.



* Please note that once fully booked, the club will no longer appear on Scopay.

Violin Taster Sessions



This week several of our children across the school had their first Violin taster session. They were run by an experienced local violin teacher called Jo Lawrence. We are really excited that over 20 children so far have voiced an interest in learning the violin. Full tuition will begin in the second half of the autumn term.



Our school value this month has been dignity. After half term, we will be focusing on Hope. Learn more about our school values [here](#).

House Points

As we come to the end of our first term here are the current house point totals. These are the totals from the house points tallied by the House Captains and the results of the upper school's Inter-house event.

Loseley - 683

Hatchlands - 989

Polesdon - 712

Clandon - 767

Congratulations to Hatchlands who are currently in the lead!

Coming soon!



A virtual presentation delivered by Miss Freed, our Maths Subject Leader, informing you about the new scheme called Maths No Problem that we are now teaching in Years 3, 4 and 5 will soon be uploaded onto the Horsell Curriculum section of our website [here](#).

There will also be videos uploaded in due course delivered by Dr Ban Har, a leading Maths No Problem Consultant, showing you how we teach methods in Maths.

Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

On Thursday, Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic Stone Age workshop delivered by Chertsey Museum. The children were able to examine genuine artefacts from the Stone Age period including hand axes, arrow heads and examples of string. The children had a great time and were complemented on their behaviour by the facilitator. It was a great way to end our Stone Age historians topic.



Parent Consultations

Details of how to book our virtual parent consultations will be sent via email after half term.

PLEASE BOOK YOUR SCHOOL LUNCHES FOR WEEK COMMENCING 2ND NOVEMBER BY SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

Horsell Schools PTA Presents



24-31 October

To take part all you need to do is:

1. Send £1 per child to the PTA on PayPal (lo5y@yahoo.co.uk please select friends and family so there are no fees)
2. You will be emailed the map and clues
3. Complete the trail in your own time between 24th and 31st October
4. Collect your prize at The Horsell Kitchen (open Monday to Saturday 9-4)

CHRISTMAS CARDS



We are running the scheme for Christmas Cards again this year and children have completed some artwork at school. This is what you need to do to order:

- 1) **NEW THIS YEAR** – Order online – cards, gift labels, wrapping paper and mugs – don't forget that if you order 2 packs of cards it's cheaper to get the value pack and you get free labels! <https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk> The prices are the same as last year, and you aren't charged for delivery.
- 2) Send your form back to school with your child's name and class with a tick to say you have ordered by Monday 2nd November (day after half term)
- 3) The orders will come back to school at the end of November and be sent home with your child.

Thank you so much for taking part!

Bag2school Collection

Friday 6th November

8am—9am

The Crown Pub Car Park



Please note donations cannot be dropped off at the school, and can only be dropped off to the Crown Pub at the above times.

Items accepted:

Men's, Ladies and Children's clothing

Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)

Handbags * Hats * Bags

Scarves * Ties * Jewellery

Lingerie * Socks * Belts

Soft toys * Curtains * Towels

Household linen (no duvets, blankets or pillows)

Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Thank you in advance for your support!