



## WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 25th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

*'I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.'* Maya Angelou

Positive and happy children have been springing their way through the corridors this week. The mornings and evenings are getting lighter and the children are now joining together for our daily assemblies. We are hopeful for a term where our children are able to have a settled and healthy access to their education.

It has been lovely to see the children in their classrooms this week. Their manners and ability to speak about their learning is a real strength for the school.

Thank you to those of you who sent in a Horsell 'shout out' to members of the staff team. These have been sent out to the relevant people and I can assure you that it brought them joy. Please do follow this link to offer a shout out to anyone you would like to thank. <https://forms.gle/33vTxdH4s6sPd6cy9>

We look forward to a fun-packed term of learning and adventure.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Brinicombe

## DATES FOR 25TH FEBRUARY —4TH MARCH 2022

### \* Book Week \*

<b>Friday 25th March</b>	<b>PTA Disco for year 4 (18:30—19:30) and year 5 (19:45—21:00)</b>
<b>Tuesday 1st March</b>	<b>Cross country event, Year 3/4, 15:00—17:00 by invitation</b>
<b>Thursday 3rd March</b>	<b>World Book Day</b>  Children and staff to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character (no superhero or football kits).

### PINE CLASS ASSEMBLY POSTPONED

The Pine class assembly scheduled for Friday 4th March has been postponed. An e-mail will be sent to parents once a new date has been set.

Please remember to check your lunches are booked for next week, and to book any meals required for the week commencing 4th March by Sunday 27th February.

### PTA School Discos

**Friday 25th February**

**Years 4: 18:30—19:30**

**Years 5: 19:45—21:00**

**Tickets £5, including entry and sweets**  
**Online bookings available until 3pm today**  
**or purchase on the door.**





Does your family subscribe to a children's newspaper or other topical magazine? The library would welcome donations of recent editions once you have finished reading them at home.

### YEAR 5 UFTON COURT TRIP

The children who were able to go on the residential trip got a first-hand experience at what it would have been like to be living here in the Early Middle Ages. They enjoyed churning butter, milling flour and weaving Anglo Saxon style!



### YEAR 3 RECYCLING DAY

Y3 had a great recycling day. We sorted our own waste (a lot of it) into recyclable piles. We made junk model Iron Giants. We then interviewed employees from the Horsell Kitchen and the local Co-op about how they help the community recycle.



A few of our Iron Giants



We are making playdough for the children to play with and are in need of modelling tools. Do you have any unloved / unused playdough tools, cookie cutters or plastic cutlery? We really appreciate all donations—the donation box will be in the Y3/4 playground on Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th.

Thank you.

A former pupil sent Mrs Wand this article; she had saved it from when she started at the then newly opened Horsell Junior School. The feature, from the week ending February 1, 1969 read: "Making themselves at home in their new school this week—youngsters in Horsell. Many village children said goodbye to the old-style building in the village centre - where their parents went to school—and moved into bright new classrooms in Meadway Drive. Part of the new school is pictured too. Already the rooms have that familiar lived-in look, with sketches and paintings decorating notice boards and walls". It is interesting to see how the school—and children—have both changed and stayed the same.

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The new school building in Meadway Drive is pictured, top. Part of the new school is pictured, top. Already the rooms have that familiar lived-in look, with sketches and paintings decorating notice boards and walls.