



Hadleigh Infants and Nursery School

Newsletter No 7 - 22nd October 2021

Holiday Dates -

October Half Term - Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021

Christmas Holidays - Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January 2022

February Half Term - Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February 2022

Easter Holidays - Monday 4th April - Monday 18th April 2022

May Bank Holiday - 2nd May 2022

May Half-Term - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2022

Inset Days - 24th June and 27th June 2022

Last Day of Summer Term - 21st July 2022. 1:30pm Finish

Dates for your Diary -

Thursday 11th November - Remembrance Assembly

Friday 12th November - Children In Need

Monday 15th November - Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 16th November - Nursery Parents Evening

Wednesday 17th November - Nursery Parents Evening

Thursday 18th November - Nursery Parents Evening

Wednesday 1st December - Bedtime Stories

Wednesday 15th December - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 16th December - Christingle

Friday 17th December - Pantomime

Friday 17th December - School Closes at 1:30pm

Tuesday 4th January - Return to School

Wednesday 5th January - No Pens Day

Friday 28th January - International LEGO Day

Friday 4th February - Historical Events Day

PA Events

Non Uniform/Fancy Dress day – Monday 1st November

Fireworks Event – Friday 12th November

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 27th November

Achievers of the Week -

Explorers: Jaxon

Stars: Florence

Planets: Ava B

Galaxies: Theo

Moons: Harriet N

Astronauts: James

Asteroids: Jacob

Rockets: Benjamin I

Flying Saucers: Rhys

Satellites: Lily

Attendance Heroes -

Planets: Isla

Galaxies: Lewis

Astronauts: Edward

Asteroids: Lana

Flying Saucers: Jenson

Satellites: Robyn

LUNCH MENU – WEEK COMMENCING 1st NOVEMBER 2021 - New Winter Menu

Monday – Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Baked Beans with Mixed Salad and Strawberry Mousse

Tuesday – Pasta Bolognese or Quorn Bolognese with Garlic Bread and Fruit

Wednesday – Chicken Pie or Vegetable Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Broccoli and Dairy Free Flapjack

Thursday – Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza with Pasta and Mixed Salad and Dairy Free Marble Cake, Custard

Friday – Fish Finger Wrap or Veggie Fish Finger Wrap with Wholegrain and White Rice, Sliced Cucumber, Grated Carrot and Shredded Lettuce with Fruit.

News ...

End of half term message

I have been delighted to have seen the children settle back into school so well since September. It has been great to hear about and see first hand the fantastic work that has been completed by children in Nursery all the way up to Year 2. A particular highlight has been listening to the children talk about the new vocabulary they have learnt as well as discussing the stories they have shared in class. It is my hope that all of the new initiatives we have introduced from Drama sessions to our book times will continue to support the children, to build a strong and long lasting positive relationship with literacy. Finally, I just want to congratulate the children for embracing our new school rules. All of the children are aware of the rules and have enjoyed being rewarded for following them. The best part of the half term so far has been being called to classrooms to celebrate children who have either been awarded a Recommendation Card or a Golden Star. I hope the children have a great break and I look forward to welcoming them back to school at the beginning of November.

COVID-19 update

When we return in November, the school is intending to continue running as it has during the past half term. I would like to reassure parents that I am in regular close contact with ECC, Essex's Chief Medical Officer and local Head Teachers where we discuss the localised impact of COVID and potential action that may be needed to reduce the level of risk for children, staff and families. If any changes are needed as cases continue to increase both nationally and locally, I will inform parents immediately. In the meantime, considering the time of year, it is likely that many children will develop a persistent cough. **If this does occur, please complete a PCR test before the child returns - LFT should only be used if the child is not displaying any of the three main symptoms.** It is very likely that the majority of these tests will return negative considering the number of seasonal colds we normally encounter at this time of year; however, a cautious approach will best protect everyone. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Art Gallery

During the past few weeks, the children have thoroughly enjoyed creating pieces of art during their Art sessions. At the end of last week, the children in each class chose 6 pieces of art to be displayed in the school's art gallery exhibition. All of the children had the opportunity to look around the Art Gallery on Monday or Tuesday. Whilst walking around looking at the artwork, the children engaged in discussion about the pieces. Before leaving, the children were able to vote for which year group they felt produced the best work. I am pleased to announce the results below:

1st Place - Year 2 (87 Votes)

2nd Place - Year 1 (86 Votes)

3rd Place - Reception (70 Votes)

4th Place - Nursery (61 Votes)

I would like to congratulate all of the children for their amazing work. I have been inspired by the children's enthusiasm for art during the past few weeks and it is my hope that this experience may have sparked a new interest or hobby for many of our children. As the artwork was so good and the children enjoyed seeing their work displayed, the staff and I are going to offer every family the opportunity to purchase their child's artwork in a frame. More details about this will be sent out by your child's teacher via Seesaw in the near future.

Absence procedures

You are able to report your child's absences using an online form. This form can be accessed using the link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeliO-z_e9qIRvJ8GI_2hCtgDxwFplgIB6Bhs2knwwG6w6gHA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

Alternatively, the school can still be called on 01702 557979 and a message can be left on the absence line. To assist the school in effectively fulfilling its role in safeguarding children, I would ask all parents to record absences as soon as possible.

ACL Community and Family Learning

ACL are offering FREE sessions this week, half-term week and Christmas Crafts! Please see the flyers attached to the newsletter. There will be a session at Rayleigh Library on 26 October, 10am-12noon, including enjoyable methods to support your child's learning and fun ways for children to develop language and communication skills. There are also free online learning resources through ACL Essex and Essex TLC with resources to support early years language and communication development.

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New Winter Menu

I am pleased to inform parents and children that when we return after the October Half Term we will begin our new Winter Menu. To see an electronic version of the menu please use the link below:

https://www.hadleigh-inf.essex.sch.uk/web/kool_kids_cafe/318495

School Photos

The children will all come home from school today with a card which contains the information required to view and purchase your child's school photo. We have been advised that they will not be available to view until Friday 29th October at the earliest.

E-safety

Each week we will be providing some information, from the NSPCC, regarding apps and games that children may access. For further information on this and other games please follow the link: <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/?order=title> Or alternatively you can find further guidance and support on the school's website: <https://www.hadleigh-inf.essex.sch.uk/web/esafety/>

App Name: LEGO Life

Official age rating: 3+

App information: LEGO Life is a creative app that allows users to share their LEGO builds and join in with build challenges. Users can post pictures of their builds to the app and comment on posts using app specific emojis. You cannot make your profile private, so all users of the app can see your posts.

Kids use this to...

Play



Create



Learn



Connect



Watch



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