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Hainford Newsletter

I would like to give a somewhat belated welcome back to all pupils and families after the Christmas break, which now seems like a distant memory. All staff would like to say a big thank you for all of the cards and gifts that we received in the run-up to Christmas.

We've been off to a 'fast start' since returning, with several cross-country events, class topic launches and preparing for our Young Voices choir's trip to the O2.



science art writing

For those at school on Friday afternoon, we have a special afternoon planned, with a visitor coming in to provide a SAW production (Science, Art, Writing) called, "**To the moon and back**". This is part of the Norwich Science Festival .

Attendance

As you may be aware, because pupil's attendance at school is a legal requirement, schools are tasked with analysing their pupils' attendance throughout the year. When a pupil's attendance falls below 90%, schools are required to inform parents and support them in ensuring their child's attendance improves.

Attendance letters from school

We are conscious that receiving attendance letters from school can cause upset but want to reassure you that we have a legal obligation to monitor attendance and notify parents if their child's attendance is of concern. As we know all too well, there has been a high level of illnesses within the school community of late which has affected both staff, pupils and parents and carers resulting in some children and families missing school for a prolonged period. As we have been in regular contact with all families during these bouts of sickness, we will therefore not then be contacting you again regarding attendance unless there are any additional concerns. If you do receive a letter and are concerned, please make contact with Mr Cross to discuss it further.

I have also attached last term's Attendance Newsletter in case you need any additional advice.

Nebula and Hainford Cross Country Events



Congratulations to all children at both events who participated with such determination and fantastic team spirit. Alongside several top finishers, the encouragement that all runners received from their teammates was particularly rewarding to witness and helps everyone to flourish and make the most of these events.

Our Christian Theme for this half-term is Compassion.

A Christian Perspective on Compassion:

Christians believe that their attitudes and actions must reflect the kindness, mercy and compassion of Jesus and the love of God for everyone.

As a school community, we will be considering how we can encourage members of the school community to show kindness and respect to one another especially during these darker winter months. We will explore how we can empathise and support members of the school community who have suffered traumatic experiences.

Let's Celebrate!

12th January	Stars Awards	Values Award Compassion
Class 1	Ethan – demonstrating determination during cross-country Tabitha – for great modelling in gymnastics and determination when running.	Freddie – for being compassionate and positive when encouraging others.
Class 2	Tobie – fantastic work in maths	Scarlett and Poppy – for showing compassion and support towards others during the Nebula Cross Country.

Class 3	Michael – for contributions in class, especially with his scary ride ideas	Daisy C –for a compassionate and supportive attitude towards others
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100% Attendance Awards for Autumn 2nd term

Congratulations to the following children for 100% attendance:

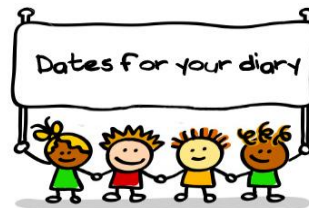
Class 1: Millie, Ethan, Tabitha

Class 2: Charlotte S

Class 3: Oliver, Sophia, Alfie C, Alfie T, Henry C, Michael, Thea, Pippin, Archie W



School Target: **98%**
 Autumn term 2nd Half: **92%**
 Spring term so far: **95.55%**
 The year so far: **94.45%**



Spring Term 2024

January 2024

- 18th NORSE Special lunch – Space Explorers
- 19th Young Voices Choir to London O2
- 19th “To the Moon and Back” science related performance
- 22nd NSPCC Workshop for years 5 and 6
- 26th Premier League Primary Stars U11 Girls Cup at The Nest (yr5/6 selected girls only)
- 26th Julia Edwards - author visit

February

- 6th Internet Safety Day
- 9th Cross-country league race number 5 at Horsford Junior School (selected pupils only)
- 13th RSPCA 60th Birthday Assembly and class workshops

February Half Term: Monday 19th to Friday 23rd

March

8th Cross-country league race number 6 (final) at Catton Park (*selected pupils only*)

11th-12th Bikeability (class 3 pupils)

18th to 19th Class 3 Residential trip to Kingswood

22nd Yr3/4 Nebula Tag-rugby event

Easter Holidays: Thursday 28th March to Friday 12th April 2024

April

15th (Mon) First day of the summer term

May

WB 13th: KS2 SATs week (year 6 assessments)

Thank you for all of your support.

