



# Hauxton Primary School Newsletter

6th October 2023

## THIS HALF TERM OUR VALUE IS RESPECT

*Note from Mrs Hurworth*

Firstly, I just wanted to say a big thank you to all of you who have taken the time to complete the consultation about our revised vision and values. We have received 17 responses so far but would welcome any other views before the survey closes at the end of the half term. Copy and paste this link in your browser to have your say: <https://forms.office.com/e/FNtNA0t88w>

To support the work of reshaping our values, we have been exploring with the children people and activities that are important to them. All of the children and staff have coloured in a hand template recording their thoughts and these will be used to create a display in the hall to share their work. This will then be used as a resource for assemblies and celebrations moving forward.

We are delighted to be able to give the opportunity for the school community to attend the pantomime at Cambridge Arts Theatre this December. Pantomimes are woven into the fabric of the Christmas celebration in the UK and I know, having taken family from abroad to experience previous pantomimes, there really is nothing quite like it! You will all have received a letter this week providing details of the trip requesting permission and payment through our online payment system. Thanks to the HSA for their tireless fundraising which has enabled us to hold the price of the ticket and travel steady at £20 per child. I hope that as many children as possible will be able to join us.

I am pleased to be able to share with you that the building work, which was scheduled to be undertaken and completed during the summer holidays, is finally finished and the builders will be packing up and leaving site this weekend. Our new boiler is up and running and we are optimistic that this will enable us to make significant savings on our fuel bills over the coming months and years. Thank you all for your patience and support during the disruption. Now that the work is finished, from Monday 9th, Skylarks will return to being dismissed from the side door of their classroom at the end of the day, relieving congestion on the main playground.

It seems strange to be writing about the boiler with temperatures this weekend due to sit in the mid-twenties! Whatever your plans for the weekend, I hope you're able to enjoy what could be the last of the good weather.

Best wishes, Helen Hurworth

## CLUBS

**Tuesday**  
**Hockey Club (Mrs Cooke)**  
3.15pm to 4.15pm \*FULL\*

**Wednesday**  
**Multi Sports Club**  
**KS1**  
3:15pm to 4:15pm

**Thursday**  
**Multi Sports Club**  
**KS2**  
3:15pm to 4:15pm

**Friday**  
**KS2 Running Club (JS Sport & Education /Mrs Hurworth)**  
8am to 8.45am

## DIARY DATES

**Half Term Holiday**  
23rd – 27th October

**Teacher Training Day**  
30th October—SCHOOL CLOSED

**Individual School Photographs**  
Wednesday 1st November

**Open Classrooms for**  
**parents/carers**  
Friday 3rd November 2.30pm—3.00pm

**Remembrance Assembly led by**  
**Skylarks**  
Friday 10th November—time TBC

**Children in Need 'wear spots' day**  
Friday 17th November

**Diwali House Day**  
Monday 13th November

**Carol Service, St Edmund's Church**  
Friday 8th December 6pm

**EYFS/KS1 Nativity**  
Friday 15th December 2.15pm

**School Pantomime Trip**  
Tuesday 19th December

**Last Day of Term**  
**Christmas Lunch**  
Wednesday 20th December

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## **2023-24 Term Dates**

### **Autumn Term**

Training day Friday 1st September 2023

Training day Monday 4th September 2023

School opens for pupils Tuesday 5th September 2023

Half term 23rd October - 27th October 2023

Training day Monday 30th October 2023

School opens for pupils Tuesday 31st October 2023

Autumn term closes Wednesday 20th December 2023

### **Spring Term**

School opens for pupils Thursday 4th January 2024

Half term 19th February - 23rd February 2024

School opens for pupils Monday 26th February 2024

Spring term closes Thursday 28th March 2024

### **Summer Term**

School opens for pupils Monday 15th April 2024

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024

Half term 27th May - 31st May 2024

Training day Monday 3rd June 2024

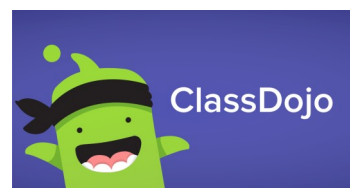
School opens for pupils Tuesday 4th June 2024

Summer term closes for pupils Friday 19th July 2024

Training day Monday 22nd July 2024

## **Preparations for the introduction of Class Dojo in January 2024**

In preparation for launching Class Dojo in January 2024, please can I ask you to ensure that school have the most up-to-date contact details for you. The Class Dojo app will need to be uploaded to a mobile, mac or PC and will require us to link you via email or mobile telephone. If you are aware that you have had a new mobile phone since your child started at Hauxton Primary School, please can you email Mrs Dennington in the office to ensure that she has the most up-to-date details for you. The system enables more than one parent or carer to be registered for communications so I would urge you to check that all parent and carer details are current.



### **Teacher Tip #3**

This weekend, with good weather forecast, why not get your child to practise their letter formation or weekly spellings with a cup of water and a paintbrush outside on the driveway or wall? It's great for developing fine motor control, it's free and, above all, it's fun!