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Horsington School News

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been another busy week at Horsington! We have been getting organised with our Pupil Parliament representatives, Worship Ambassadors, Playtime Club Leaders and a tidy-up of the Book Nook ready for opening!

Next week sees the launch of several pupil-led lunchtime activities, including Art Club, Circle Games, Lego, Dance and Taskmasters. It is wonderful to see our children showing such enthusiasm, responsibility and initiative in helping to shape school life.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Reading Workshops. The sessions were well received, and we appreciate those who were able to join us. We are always keen to hear feedback about school events, so please do let us know your thoughts. A special thank you to Miss Hardwill and the team for organising these valuable workshops.

Thank you also to the parents who attended the PTFA AGM this week. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps us continue to provide wonderful opportunities for our children.

Finally, please make sure you read through to the end of the newsletter, as there is some important information regarding our Harvest Festival arrangements next week.

Have a lovely weekend, warmest wishes,

Kelly Barge 😊



02.10.2026 ~ Autumn Term Vol:2

October



Henry Horse ~ BHSSD ~ KS2 Assembly
Wednesday 7th October

Harvest service ~ St Johns Church ~
Friday 9th October ~ 9.10am

Parents Evening ~ Monday 12th October
3.50 ~ 6.30pm

Parents Evening ~ Wednesday 14th
October 3.50 ~ 5.30pm

Reception / Year 1 Vision Screening ~
Tuesday 20th October

Open Morning ~ Reception 2027 ~
Wednesday 21st October

PTFA Glow Disco ~ Thursday 22nd
October

Half term Monday 26th ~ Friday 30th
October

November

Outdoor Classroom Day ~ Thursday 5th
November

Individual School Photos ~ Tuesday 10th
November

Attendance w/c 02.10.26

Water Class 99%

Air Class 98%

Fire Class 98%

Earth Class 97%

Whole School 98%





Horsington High Five!

Congratulations to the children who have received Marvellous Merits and Super Sashes for their incredible work and attitude over the past few weeks. Well done for all your efforts.

	25.09.26	02.10.26
Water Class	All of Water Class	Lola, Percy, Pip, Theo
Marvellous Merits	Henry Weston	Lyra
Super Sash		
Air Class	Lucas, Bertie, Ivan, Rosie,, Toby, Isaac	Charlotte, Theo F, Imogen, Willow
Marvellous Merits	Jake	Oscar
Super Sash		
Fire Class	Amelia, Florence, Edith	Charlotte, Bertie, Archie, Sunny
Marvellous Merits	Ariana	Jesse
Super Sash		
Earth Class	Archie, Merrin, George, Athena, Oakley	Felix, Tess, Evie, Florence
Marvellous Merits	James	Bella
Super Sash		



House Points



This week's totals are....



= 393



= 417



= 379

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Our Wonderful Writers



This week we celebrate . . .

**Imogen, Izzie, Jenson, Bertie, Marcie,
Jos, Tess**



Our Little Wandlers



**Children making amazing progress in their Phonics
this week are
Lyra, Henry B,**

Boris the Bookworm's New Adventure!

It seems that Boris the Bookworm has left behind his amazing adventures in Space and has now ventured deep into the Jungle!

We are looking forward to seeing all the children enjoying reading at home as they join Boris on his latest adventure. Don't forget to record and collect your reads so that Boris can see just how many books our wonderful readers are exploring this term!



Happy reading!



Kindness Ambassadors

Kindness Box

Spirituality
Ambassadors

British values
badges

Pupil Parliament 2026 ~ Some ideas for this year!



Book Nook
Improvements!

Fundraising ~ Charity
& School.

Diversity ~
World
Celebrations

Bikeability

Year 6 made the most of the lovely weather last week whilst completing their Bikeability Level 2 training. The children had to demonstrate a range of cycling skills, including carrying out safety checks, controlling their bikes confidently and riding safely on local roads. They practised signalling, negotiating junctions and understanding how to position themselves correctly in traffic.

Throughout the course, the children showed excellent resilience, concentration and responsibility, developing the skills and confidence needed to cycle safely and independently.

We are incredibly proud of their mature attitude and the way they represented the school during the training.

Also, a huge thank you to our parent helpers who supported the training, Tessa, Liela & Chris.



Summer Reading Challenge! 📖

A huge well done to all the children who completed the Library Summer Reading Challenge this year. We think we had a record number of children taking part and finishing the challenge, which is a fantastic achievement!

This year's challenge, **Story Garden**, encouraged children to explore stories inspired by nature, imagination and the great outdoors. We are incredibly proud of everyone who took part and kept reading throughout the summer holidays.

Thank you to our families for supporting and encouraging a love of reading at home.



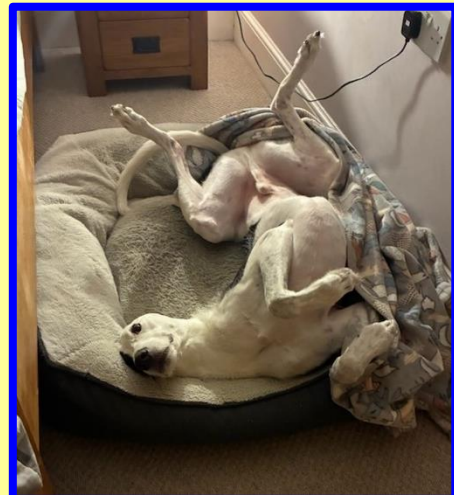
P.A.T

As a school, we are extremely lucky to have a P.A.T. (Pets As Therapy) dog visiting to spend time with the children and listen to them read. Fenton and Lorraine are a wonderful addition to the Horsington team, and we know how valuable their work is.

Pets As Therapy is a national charity that enhances the health and wellbeing of thousands of people through visits from trusted therapy animals. Reading to a therapy dog can help children build confidence, develop reading fluency, reduce anxiety and foster a lifelong love of books. We are delighted that our children have the opportunity to benefit from Fenton's calm and friendly presence, and we know so many look forward to their visits each week.



I think Fenton found his first week back a little tiring!



Open Days ~ School Admissions for September 2027

We are excited to invite prospective parents and children to visit our school during our upcoming Open Days:

- Wednesday 21st October: 11:15am – 12:15pm
- Friday 13th November: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

There is no need to book – simply come along and see our wonderful school in action.

We look forward to welcoming you!



Primary Applications Deadline

The closing date for primary applications for children starting school for the first time is 15th January 2027



Collective Worship



This term the children shall be thinking about the value of 'Kindness' in our Collective Worship, and within our Roots and Fruits programme the value 'Generosity'

'A tree is known by his fruit' ~ Matthew 12:33



Harvest Festival Service

~Friday 9th October~

Next Friday, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival Service at St John's Church. Children should be dropped off directly at the Church between 8:50am and 9:00am, with the service beginning at 9:10am. Children attending Breakfast Club will walk to the Church with staff.

Our Worship Ambassadors will be leading the service, and we are very much looking forward to celebrating together as a school community. Families are warmly invited to donate fresh or tinned produce, which will be collected during the service and donated to a local food bank to support those in need within our community.

Thank you for your generosity and support.
We look forward to seeing you there.



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