



SPRING TERM

NEWSLETTER 9 : January 13th 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year to you all (even though it does seem such a long time ago! We hoped that you had a fantastic holiday and are enjoying the New Year so far.



WELCOME

A new year and a new start for everyone, including a new beginning for our nursery children. A particular warm welcome to so many new families joining us for the first time and a chance to continue building upon relationships with those who already at Havercroft.

LETTERS HOME TO PARENTS

The office have recently been inundated with Parents coming into the office to ask for information on events that are being held in school. ALL information needed by you is on the letters that come home. Please can you make sure that you check your child's book bag every night for up to date letters being sent home each week and please make sure that you read the letters. The office staff are extremely busy and their time is being taken up unnecessarily.

LATES

As you are aware our new procedure for late children is now in place and already this has had a good impact on children arriving to school on time. Just so that you have a reminder, any child arriving at school after 9.00am will automatically become late, as a result unless on sandwiches, any hot meal required will be a Jacket potato with cheese, and for every minute late , your child will lose 1 minute of their playtime.



YOUNG VOICES

WOW! What an amazing night we had at the Young Voices concert last night. We are so proud of the 43 children who went and represented the school.

Everyone sang with gusto and the behaviour throughout the day was fantastic.

I would like to Thank Mrs Carter and Mrs Tate for preparing the children with the choir since last September and for giving up their free time and also for Mrs Miller who went along on the day to give an extra helping hand.



CIRCUS AFTERNOON

The children in Years 3 & 4 had a fantastic day on Wednesday of this week learning circus skills with John. They went onto show their new skills with parents at a small assembly in the afternoon. They learnt juggling, balancing objects on various parts of the body, walking on stilts, plate spinning.



SPACE DAY REMINDER

Please make sure that you have returned your Space Day meal form to school by Monday. You only need to pay the £2.05 if your child is usually on sandwiches. Dinner children can pay normally within their weekly dinner money, Children in Year Recp, 1 & 2 get a free universal meal. If you DO NOT return the form but require a hot meal on this day then the only option available for you child will be a jacket potato– so please make sure that you return the form.



MILK

If your child would like to have milk while in school, please call into the office for more information.

Government Target for Attendance in schools is 95% and above. Please help us improve our figure for last year which was below government guidelines.



ATTENDANCE WINNERS

The proud winners of the attendance awards over last week were:

w/c 12th December — 16th December

Reception— **97.78%**
Year 1— **100.00% WELL DONE**
Year 2— **95.81%**
Year 3—**97.83%**
Year 4—**91.43%**
Year 5—**93.08%**
Year 6—**94.62%**

w/c 5th December — 9th December

Reception— **91.67%**
Year 1— **96.59%**
Year 2— **92.34%**
Year 3—**92.39%**
Year 4—**88.10%**
Year 5—**84.13%**
Year 6—**97.60% WELL DONE**

Attendance for the School Year up to the end of last week was

93.21 %

Government Target is 95% and above

Across school persistent absences is now set at equal to or less than 90%. Children that fall into that category will have a Red attendance summary sent home & EWO Involvement.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This week would like to wish

**Oliver Cadman
Jordan Hiorns
Alex Watling
Mason Rose
Jasmine Winfield
Macey Dodd
Ellie-Mae Bowler
Brandon Kemp
Lawrence Allen
Violet Arnold**



A very Happy Birthday to you all

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 19th January

Space Day Dinner

Year 4 Healthy Lifestyles talk.

Monday 6th—Friday 10th February

Internet Safety Week

Tuesday 7th February

PC Blunt—Safer Internet Day

Friday 10th February

Break up for February Half Term

Monday 20th February

School reopens for Spring 2 Term

Tuesday 21st February

Foundation Stage Inspire Morning

Wednesday 1st March

Year 3 & 4 Inspire Afternoon

Wednesday 22nd March

PC Blunt—Yr 6 Anti Social Behaviour workshop

Friday 24th March

Red Nose Day

Thursday 30th March

Year 3 & 4 singing at Whin View Court

Friday 7th April

Break up for Easter

Monday 24th April

School reopens for Summer 1 Term