

Newsletter No4



Friday 23rd September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another very busy week in school. Thank you for your efforts in dressing up our pirate crew on Monday. They looked fantastic. I know that the children really enjoyed working with Chris Connaughton our *actor in residence* and I have seen some great writing as a result of his exciting lessons.

It was also a pleasure to welcome those of you who attended our parent information session on Wednesday night. We do hope that you found it useful and interesting.

Diary Change

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to cancel our Harvest Festival performances this year. We would instead like invite parents to join us for an end of term assembly and conker festival at 2.45pm on Friday 21st October – the last day of term.



We are looking for some volunteers to become **reading champions**. This has been very successful in the past in helping children with their reading and confidence.

If you have any spare time to come into school each week to simply hear our children read then please let the office or **Miss Saltmarsh** know. We will provide all the training and support you need. Grandparents are also able to volunteer along with other members of the community. We would especially welcome some men who can spare an hour or so each week so we can inspire some of our boys to read more often.

We look forward to hearing from you.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN TO US THE CULTURAL HERITAGE SURVEY FORMS SENT OUT WITH LAST WEEK'S NEWSLETTER. SO FAR ONLY ONE HAS BEEN RETURNED!



NATIONAL CRUSH A CAN DAY

On Tuesday we will be celebrating National Crush a Can Day by inviting children to bring in old cans so they can be crushed using our new machine as we take advantage of the day to teach about recycling.



Autumn is officially here and as part of our continued partnership with the team at www.spreadthehappiness.co.uk we invite parents and pupils to **get outside and enjoy the natural environment** by tweeting us your autumn selfies to @westhorndonprim and @shonettebason use the hashtags #autumnselfie #spreadthehappiness

Yours sincerely

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