

Heacham Junior School Newsletter

December 2022







Christmas Special Edition

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of the Autumn Term with so much to celebrate! We have started to deliver class assemblies using pictures from No Outsiders - whose motto is Everyone Different, Everyone Welcome. Our assemblies use these materials to discuss moral, social and values led discussions such as why Harry Kane wanted to wear an LGBTQ+ armband in the world cup. We have also enjoyed some fantastic performances within the Trust where Heacham Junior pupils have made us proud with their contributions- these were at the remembrance performance, instrumentalist band, and at the St Nicholas Chapel carol concert. Classes are filled with great learning this term - the working walls are full of ideas from our curriculum and the pupil books really show case learning. Make sure you ask the children at home about their learning and copies of the knowledge organisers are on the website so you can see what we are learning too. Thank you for helping your child access times tables rock stars - it's making a big difference with times tables across the school!

I hope you enjoy the break and have a very merry Christmas! Best wishes Louise Tackson



This term we have said goodbye to our Cook, Kayley Brearley and Miss Reddy, a TA in year 3. Both are starting new adventures, we wish them all the best.

Our Christmas Celebrations

Smithdon Starter Band Orchestral Concert 1/12/22





Y3 Carol Concert @ St Nicholas' Chapel 7/12/22





Our Christmas Celebrations

Christmas Lunch & Festive Tops 8/12/22









Our Christmas Celebrations

Parent Crafts 8/12/22















































Barbican Box Performance to Parents 12/12/22











Panto 9/12/22 'The Little Mermaid'







Carol Concert at St Mary's 13/12/22



Thanks to Reverend Wilson for inviting us and to Mrs Hoyle for accompanying us on the piano 1.1































Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way!

Dashing through the snow....



HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?

Have you moved house, have a new email address or mobile number? Should you update your emergency contacts? Are there medical conditions/medications that school need to know about?

If this is the case, please email updated details to office@heachamjunior.co.uk.

Please see below as a guide:

Pupil Name:

Pupil Address:

Pupil Medical Conditions:

Pupil Regular Medications:

Dosage Details:

Pupil Allergies:

Mum/Carer Name:

Mum/Carer Address:

Mum/Carer Phone Numbers (home/work/mobile):

Mum/Carer email:

Dad/Carer Name:

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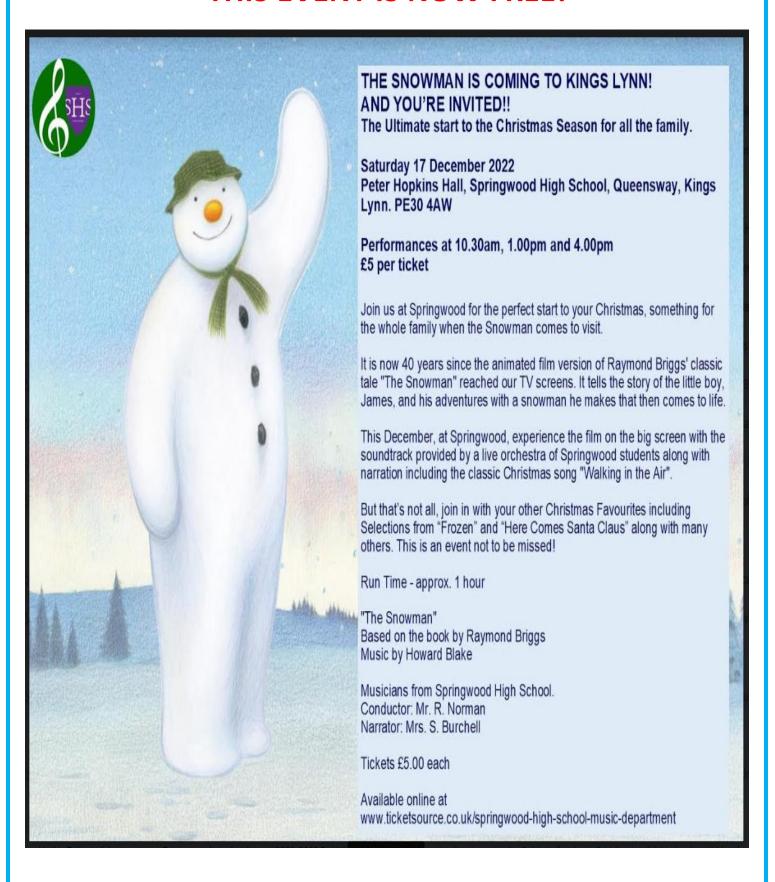
Emergency Contacts:

- 1. Name/address/phone nos.:
- 2. Name/address/phone nos.:
- 3. Name/address/phone nos.:

Thank you



THIS EVENT IS NOW FREE!



HEACHAM VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE

Thursday 22nd December at 6.30pm With Hunstanton Concert Band



This year our annual village carol service will be outside again at

Heacham Club on the Bowling Green.

Come and sing carols celebrating Christmas as a village community.

Everyone welcome, dress warmly!



Followed by festive refreshments



Donations to:



CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2022 at Heacham Parish Church



Sunday 18th Dec 6pm - Candlelit Carol Service

Thursday 22nd Dec 6.30pm – Heacham Village Carol Service
At Heacham Club on the Bowling Green with Hunstanton Concert
Band followed by festive refreshments, donations to EAAA.



Saturday 24th Dec Christmas Eve:

4pm – Christingle 11.30pm - Midnight Holy Communion

Sunday 25th Dec Christmas Day: 10am - Holy Communion

EVERYONE WELCOME



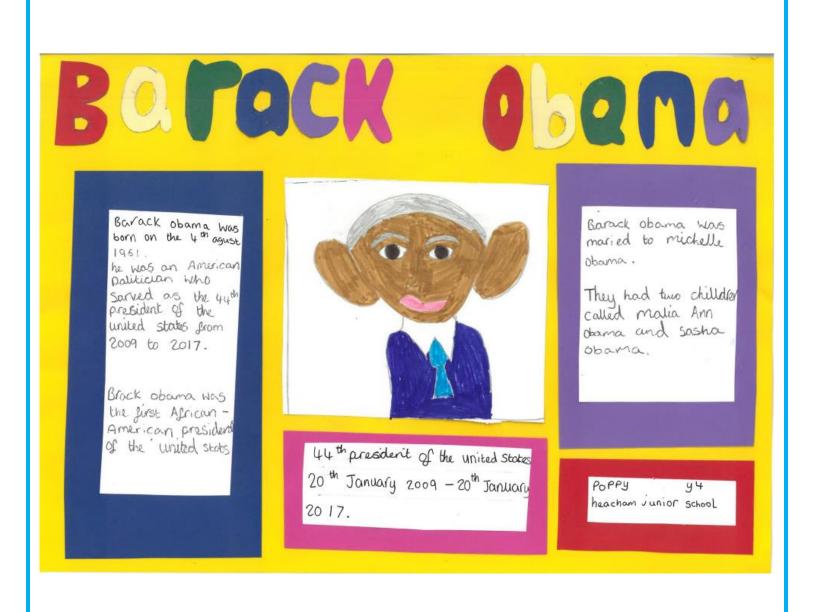
BLACK HISTORY MONTH – POSTER COMPETITION

In October, West Norfolk Academies Trust ran a competition for Black History Month

The entries were judged by the Board of Trustees

The Winner from each school received a £20 Amazon Voucher

The Winner for Heacham Junior is Poppy her winning poster Is shown below!





2022/2023

Every Wednesday – Swimming AM (see rota) Every Thursday – Music Tuition with Ms Collins Please check PE days with your class teachers

16/12/22 - Last day of Term

04/01/23 - Children return to school

04/01/23 – Y5 Swimming (first day back)

09/01/23 – After School Clubs begin this week

10/01/23 – Smithdon Starter Band resumes

12/01/23 – Music tuition with Miss Collins resumes

13/02/23 - Half-term Holidays

20/02/23 - Children return to school

16/03/23 – Y56 BEE Netball @ Smithdon

27/03/23 – Y34 Football Festival @ Smithdon

29/03/23 - Y6 Trip to IWM Duxford

30/03/23 – Y34 BEE Netball @ Lynnsport

30/03/23 – Y56 Croydon Trophy2 @ Hunstanton

03/04/23 - Easter Holidays

18/04/23 – Children return to school

26/04/23 - TriGolf Festival @ HJS

27/04/23 – Y6 Leavers' Photo - Tempest Photography

01/05/23 – Bank Holiday

08/05/23 - Bank Holiday

09/05/23 - SATS WEEK Y6

25/05/23 - Half-term Holidays

05/06/23 - Children return to school

Twitter Please follow us on twitter as we are using that social media platform more regularly than facebook



Health Support & Advice for children and young people https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/ 0300 300 0123

The Just One Norfolk website has refreshed its look and is now offering a range of new and updated features to enable families access to safe, accessible and up to date information, advice and self-care support through their parenthood journey - https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

While you are no longer required by law to selfisolate if you have COVID-19, the Government still recommends that

Children stay at home for at least 3 days

If they test positive and avoid contact with other people. This helps reduce the chance of passing it on to others.

The school continues to encourage thorough hand washing and follows the guidelines laid out by Public Health England for schools.



Lunch Menu

The winter menu is available to view on our website. Vegan, Gluten/Dairy/Egg-free versions are available on request. https://www.heachamjunior.co.uk

Not bookable online



Term Dates:

Please note that our term dates are not the same as those published by Norfolk County Council.

Please see our website for further information.

Last day of Term is Fri 16/12/22.
Children return on Wed 04/01/23 Y5 swimming

The importance of good attendance

The Government strives for every pupil to achieve 97% attendance. Every day away from school is a day away from learning and this can have an impact on a child's education and future accomplishments.

We want every child to enjoy school and achieve their potential in education and life beyond. We are always here to talk through any issues and help find solutions. Parents are always a phone call away if a child is too ill to continue their day, please encourage them to try to give the day a go, children often feel much better once they are in class.

The Government has issued new attendance guidance and targets to all schools, you may receive regular texts informing you of the number of days that your child has been absent in a term/year. The Government hope that this personal approach will make parents more aware of how the odd day adds up and help keep you informed.





<u>Vouchers for Free School Meal Eligible Pupils – October 2022 to March 2023</u>

Support has been extended for the period 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023 for pupils eligible for means-tested Free School Meals (FSM). Families who are eligible for Free School Meals will receive Edenred vouchers to the value of £15 per month per child with an additional £30 voucher in December. The Vouchers can be spent at many major retailers including supermarkets.

Families in hardship and needing wider support In addition to the offer of FSM vouchers for eligible families, there is support available for families who are facing hardship and need support. Anyone experiencing hardship may be able to receive support through the Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS), which may be able to provide support for food, fuel, clothes and other essential household items to families experiencing hardship. Families may get in touch with NAS via their website which includes an online application form, or they can call **0344 800 8020**.

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/support-for-living-independently/money-and-benefits/norfolk-assistance-scheme

Have your circumstances changed recently? You may be eligible for Free School Meals.

The school receives funding for each child who comes under Pupil Premium (including free school meals), so it is worth applying even if you don't have school meals!! You can apply online

https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enquiries/Citizen/FreeSchoolMeals.aspx/

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk?fbclid=IwAR181hWbnsrWnVeC-KZ31j-HfjFmGLwKL7zsv9QVbkEfY1uKETvz0cDSIcQ



Term Dates 2022-2023

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Key: White dates – school open to pupils Orange dates – pupil holiday

Orange dates – pupil holiday Purple dates – staff training day Red dates – bank holiday Staff training days are:

Thursday 1st September, Friday 2nd September, Friday 21st October, 3rd January and Monday 17th April



PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Term Dates 2023-2024

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Key: White dates – school open to pupils
Orange dates – pupil holiday
Purple dates – staff training day

Red dates - bank holiday

Staff training days are – Monday 4th September and Tuesday 5th September, Wednesday 3rd January and Thursday 28th March 2024 as whole training days.

Monday 22nd July 2024 is disaggregated.











AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Next term we will be offering the following after-school clubs (3.30pm-4.15pm) starting w/c 9/1/23. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Clubs run by school staff are free, Clubs run by visitors may be chargeable (see below).

Please note that children in Years 3 & 4 should be collected by an adult usually from the back playground.

MONDAY

Drama Club with Mr Giller open to all £40 for 10 sessions – we need a min of 12 for this club to run Board Games with Miss Pateman open to all x 16 spaces

TUESDAY

Art Club with Miss Kissock open to all x 16 spaces

WEDNESDAY

CLUB FULL - Dodgeball with Mr Agate - CLUB FULL

THURSDAY

Singing Club with Mrs Bridge open to all x 16 spaces

All clubs end at 4.15pm. Pickup is from the back playground except Drama & Singing Clubs where pickup is from the outer hall doors (opposite the bike sheds).

To apply for a space please email office@heachamjunior.co.uk and state the following:

I give permission for (Child's Name) to attend the following clubs

Club Names:

Medical Conditions:

Emergency Phone:

Name of parent giving permission:

My child will be (select one): Collected or Walk home:

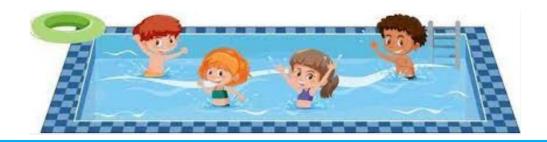
Swimming Rota

May be subject to further changes

| SWIMMING 2022-2023 | | |
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Swimmers leave at 11am and return for lunch at 1pm. They need a one-piece swimsuit/trunks, towel, waterproof bag (hat and goggles are optional).

Earrings must be removed.



FREE ADULT MATHS COURSES @ CWA

Multiply

Multiply is a new **FREE** fully funded programme to help adults to learn better maths skills.

- Boost your skills
- Refresh your knowledge
- Unlock new job opportunities or progress at work
- Manage your money
- Support your child with their homework

If you are aged 19 or above and <u>NOT</u> have a GCSE grade C (or equivalent) in maths Multiply is completely **FREE**!

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