



Together We Achieve

Newsletter

Wednesday 3rd October 2018

Term Dates 2018/19

3rd October

Biathlon KS2 Driffield 4pm

3rd October

FOTS Meeting 7pm

5th October

Fun Run

9th October

Harvest Celebration in School led by Revd Elliott

11th October

Football Y5/6 Driffield 4pm

15th October

Football Girls KS2 Driffield 4pm

15th October

New Starters 2019 4.30-6pm

17th October

Year 4 Trip – Eden Camp

19th October

Flu Vaccinations YR-Y5

20th October

Y1/2 Cross Country 10am

22nd October

L&M Governors Meeting 6pm

24th October

Open Morning for Parents/ Carers

25th/26th October

Y6 Cycle Training Group 1

25th October

Halloween Disco
KS1 3.30-4.30pm
KS2 4.45-5.45pm

26th October

Last day before half term

New Website and APP

We are excited and pleased to share with you the news that our brand new website has now been launched. Our new site can be found at the existing address www.huttoncranswickschool.co.uk Please take a look to see current information and find out about up and coming events in school. Our new site has four quick links to an up to date calendar, the school twitter account, a gallery and the latest school news. There are many other features on the website, so do take a look. Alongside the website we have also launched our new APP called the School Jotter app. Our original APP is no longer in use. To download the new APP please follow the instructions on the handout on the back of this letter. The new APP will keep you updated with essential and informative information. Once you have downloaded the APP you will need to search for our school. Our new APP is linked directly to our website so all newsletters, school news, dates and information is linked. We would like to say a big thank you again to the Friends of the School and the Parish Council for funding our new website and APP. We hope you enjoy perusing the website and welcome any feedback on additional information or pages that you feel would be beneficial.

Open Morning

Our annual Open Morning will be on Wednesday 24th October. This is a great opportunity for parents/carers/grandparents to come and see the children learning in the school environment; to see their work on display and the books they are currently working in. This year the morning will run as follows:

- From 9.00am - come through the main entrance into the hall.
- From 9.10-10.40am – an opportunity to visit classes throughout school during their lessons, view teaching and learning and speak to the staff in school. Children will be participating in more active lessons which lend themselves to a bit more disruption!
- 10.40am -refreshments will be served in the hall and several members of our Governing Body will be available to talk to you.
- 11.00-11.30am - School Council, Sports Crew, Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTAs) and Health and Safety Ambassadors will be available to talk to in the hall to share with you the work and projects they have led or are planning to do this year.

The school will be open from 9-11.30am with the option of coming for part of the morning or staying for the whole event. We look forward to seeing you then.

Lunchtime Arrangements

We have increased in size this year from 169 to 184 children and therefore we have had to review our lunchtime routine, in order to ensure all of the children have enough time to eat their meals within the lunch hour. We are aware that some children have felt quite rushed at lunch to eat their meals and we have been looking at ways forward to ensure all of the children have ample time. We have extended our Midday Supervisor's hours so that the children have longer to eat their meals. We have also started serving the Reception children from 11.50am closely followed by Year 1. We hope that these changes will improve the situation and we will continue to monitor lunchtime arrangements. Many thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

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5th November

Return to School

5th/6th November

Y6 Cycle Training Group 2

7th/8th November

Y6 Cycle Training Group 3

8th November

Hockey Y5/6 Driffield 4pm

9th November

Remembrance Service in School led by Revd Amos

12th – 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week
'Choose Respect'

13th November

PAT Governors Meeting
6pm

14th November

Parents Evening

15th November

Parents Evening

16th November

Children in Need

19th – 23rd November

Road Safety Week

19th/20th November

History Days in school

20th November

Governor Team Link
Review 6pm

27th November

Full Governors 6pm

11th December

Online Safety Day for children followed by Parents Workshop after school – time tbc

21st December

Last day before Christmas holiday

7th January

Staff Training Day

8th January

Children return to school

Fun Run

Our annual Fun Run takes place this Friday. Please remind the children to collect as many sponsors as they can! The child who raises the most sponsorship will win a £40 cinema voucher and the child with the second highest will receive a £20 cinema voucher. All the money raised will go towards resources that enhance the school for the children. The children can bring their change of clothes, in a named bag, to change into after lunch. This could be fancy dress, sports kits or whatever the children prefer. We are looking forward to the children enjoying themselves whilst exercising!

First Savers Bank

We operate a First Savers Bank in school every Tuesday and one of our school governor's, Mrs Audrey Bjorndal, gives up her time to make this happen. It is open in the Year 6 classroom through the ICT Suite from 8.30-9am and is a great way to encourage children to save and learn about money.

Children can pay in as much or as little as they like and certificates are given when a child reaches certain milestones in their savings. Any child opening a new account is given a free 'piggy' money box to help them save, and throughout the year there are competitions where prizes can be won.

We would love to open more accounts for children, or even siblings that do not attend the school. If you have any queries, call in on a Tuesday morning for a chat.

Harvest

Our Harvest Celebration Assembly will be held in school with the children and Revd Elliott on Tuesday 9th October. For our Harvest collection this year we are kindly asking for donations to be sent into school for the Driffield Food Bank. There has already been a separate letter sent home with more information about suitable items to donate. Many thanks in advance of your support. We hope that together we can support others and make a significant difference.

Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTAs)

Our new JTAs have been appointed and they have had their first meeting with Christian Jordon (our Road Safety Officer). There are several events planned that the children can take part in and Christian will be leading several assemblies to the whole school with the help of the JTAs. These assemblies will focus on the messages of 'Be Bright Be Seen' as we move into darker nights and also helmet safety. Please look out for a separate letter with dates and information of the events that the children can get involved with and support.

After School Clubs

During the school holidays we have had a security door fitted in our entrance which provides us with additional security and a lobby area. In line with safeguarding procedures the door is locked throughout the day with a buzzer entry system. As Breakfast Club and after school clubs are an extension of our school day, we will be using the door system in this way from 8am – 5pm. We have also had a higher fence erected before entry to the school playground which is locked during the school day and locked again straight after school pick up. Therefore we know the children taking part in after school clubs that are outside are safe on the playground. Prior to the start of Mark Barber's Football Club, we have noticed several parents/carers in the hall helping their child to get changed for the session. As a school we need to ensure we are in line with safeguarding policy and we are therefore asking parents/carers not to come into the hall at this point in the day. The school staff will support the younger children to get changed and ready for the session. We are also kindly asking that parents/carers wait outside the school entrance rather than in the school Reception area/playground until after school clubs finish. We will then bring the children attending all clubs, outdoor and indoor, to the lobby area and ensure they are collected by their parent/carer. Thank you in anticipation of your support with these arrangements. Changes and arrangements are made in the best interests of all children.

New Starters 2019

We will be holding a New Starters Evening, for children starting school in September 2019, led by Mrs Leeks and the EYFS Team on Monday 15th October 4.30-6pm. If you know of anyone who would be interested in attending please could you kindly pass on the date and information.

Online Safety Parents Workshop

On Tuesday 11th December the children will attend sessions and workshops throughout the day on the important topic of staying safe online. There will be an informative workshop for parents after school on this evening at 4pm, to raise awareness and discuss useful tips to help you keep your child safe online. Please look out for an additional letter with further information for this important workshop.

Friends of the School

Race Night

Thank you to those who came along to support The Friends' Race Night at the White Horse on Saturday. About 35 people came along and a fun evening was had by all. A big thank you also to individuals and businesses who supported the event through sponsoring a race or buying a horse. After costs have been accounted for, the event raised £592. Money raised by the Friends of the School is used to help enhance the experience of all the children in the school.

Coming up...

Christmas Cards

We are doing the Christmas Card fundraiser with Art Projects for Schools again this year. The children will be working on their card designs in school during art. Please look out for the letter and card design, which will be sent home in the week commencing 15th Oct.

Halloween Disco

Our annual Halloween Disco will be on Thursday 25th October. Please look out for the flyer, which will be sent home in your children's bags soon.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will take place on Wednesday 7th November at 7pm at school. There will be brief reports from the Chair and Treasurer and election of committee officers. Please come along and find out how the Friends have fared over the last year.

