



NEWSLETTER

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Friday 27th September 2024

Our School Vision

"Jesus is the light of the world ... we are gems that reflect his light as we learn."

The Christian Bible talks of God seeing humans as his jewels in the making (Malachi 3:16-17).

This Term's School Value:

Peace

This Term's British Value:

Democracy

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't quite believe that we are almost at the end of September! The first few weeks of the term have flown by. The children here continue to be amazing since their return to school. All classrooms are busy and productive environments with lots of exciting learning going on. Our **Reception children in Ruby Class** have settled fantastically into the full routine of school and have been busy getting underway with their phonics learning as well as learning lots of new and interesting vocabulary in their drawing club sessions. **Our Year 1 & 2 children in Emerald Class** have been very busy and have particularly enjoyed learning about poetry inspired by the book 'Out and About!' **Year 3 & 4, Sapphire Class** are really enjoying their DT project in which they are designing and making aprons for their favourite teddies. **Year 5 & 6, Diamond class** have made an excellent start to the year with our oldest children showing themselves to be great role models for the rest of the school. This week they have been particularly enthused by their learning about soluble and insoluble materials in science.

On Tuesday we were delighted to be visited by PC Jarrett who talked to us all about road safety—so important with the very busy road outside our school. A number of the children were also excited to see PC Jarrett's police car! Thank you PC Jarrett for visiting us and helping to keep us all safe.

Yesterday all classes were busy baking ready for this afternoon's McMillan Coffee and Cake at the Village Hall. If you do go along this afternoon, we hope you enjoy our yummy contributions!

Thank you for your continued support for our school and in all we do.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend, Mrs Burgess



HARVEST FESTIVAL

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival at the Church on **Wednesday 9th October at 9am.**

As in previous years, we would kindly ask that

you bring your children straight to the church at the beginning of the school day. You are then of course welcome to stay and join us for the service if you can.

We would once again like to collect donations for the Ipswich charity FIND. If you are able to make a donation of tinned, packet food or fresh fruit and vegetables please bring it to the church with you on the day of the service.



School Uniform Reminders

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform and PE kit. School shoes should be plain black shoes or smart black trainers without branding or logos. This also applies to PE tracksuits/jumpers which should also be plain.



PE and Jewellery

No jewellery should be worn during PE lessons and earrings do need to be removed. This is in-line with national guidance with which the school must comply.

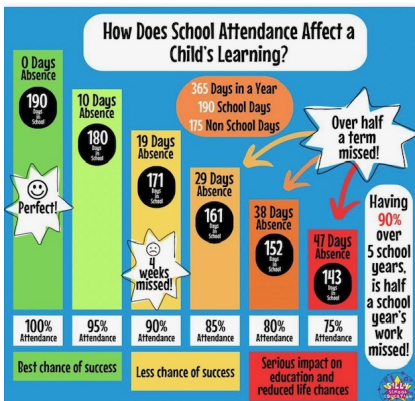
Full uniform details are on our school website: <https://www.hintleshamchattishamschool.com/uniform>

Class Attendance

Class attendance to date:

- Ruby Class: 99.77%
- Emerald Class: 97.84%
- Sapphire Class: 93.98%
- Diamond Class: 95.81%

Remember to complete one of our new Leave of Absence forms for any planned absences from school such as medical appointments. Please remember these can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. Sickness absence should still be reported by telephoning the school office.



Having up-to-date contact details for you as parents and carers is essential. You can now keep your data collection forms up-to-date using MCAS. You can access your form and submit changes on your MCAS dashboard. Our school office then receives a notification and may contact you if we need to double-check any changes made.



Wild Woods Volunteers

We would still love to hear from any parents/carers or community volunteers who would like to become part of our fantastic Wild Woods team and assist with our Forest School provision in school on a Friday afternoon.

Why should I consider becoming a volunteer for Wild Woods?

- Learning in the Wild Woods provides a wonderful opportunity for our children and young people—and the adults alongside them! - to learn through fun experiences in our fantastic on-site woodland setting, supporting and benefitting both academic and personal development.
- It's a great opportunity to work as part of a team and develop and learn lots of practical skills such as making and using tools, den building, campfires, learning about native plants and outdoor cooking!
- It's an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful seasonal changes we see across the year.
- Volunteers would be given the opportunity to complete a one-day course, funded by the school, which would provide an introduction to the Forest School ethos and principles; the opportunity to develop knowledge and understanding of the woodland environment and of its use as a learning resource; and to learn some basic practical skills such as knots, shelter building, tool use and safe fire lighting.

If you would be interested and feel you have the right skills, or have any questions about volunteering, please email the school office to let us know or speak to Mrs Burgess or Mrs Death. We would love to hear from you! Volunteering will also be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

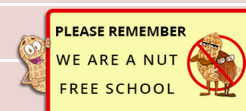


School Lunches: Parent and Carer Taster Session Reminder—1st October

Aspens Catering, who provide our school lunches, will be running a taster session on October 1st between 3 and 4pm for you as parents and carers to come along, taste samples of food from our menus and ask any questions you may have.

Remember: all children in Reception (Ruby Class) and Years 1 and 2 (Emerald Class) are entitled to a free school lunch every day as part of the government's universal meals offer.

Diary Dates	
01.10.24	Aspens taster session 3—4pm
04.10.24	KS2 Cross Country
07.10.24	Thorpe Woodlands Residential meeting for current Y4 and Y5 parents, 3.30pm (see separate letter)
09.10.24	HARVEST FESTIVAL at the Church, 9am
18.10.24	Diamond Class Sharing Assembly, 9am—parents and carers invited
21.10.24 & 24.10.24	Parent Consultations—separate letter to follow
25.10.24	PD Day
28.10.24	Half Term
4.11.24	Return to School after half term and Sapphire Class Stone Age Day
13.11.24	Diamond Class Duxford Trip
14.11.24	School Photos
17.12.24	Bury cathedral and panto day
19.12.24	Christmas Church Service, 9am



Parent View Questionnaire Link

[https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?
destination=give-your-views](https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views)

If you have a concern for a child's safety or wellbeing, please contact Customer First (24hr service): Tel: 0808 800 4005
In school please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Burgess. The named Governor for Safeguarding is our Co-Chair of Governors Mrs Angela Evans. Our E-safety lead is Mrs L Beckett De Banks. If you require information about online safety you can access current advice at this address: <https://parentinfo.org/>