



# Horwood and Newton Tracey Community Primary School Newsletter

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Dear parents, carers and children

The Summer Term has begun! I trust you all had a restful break over the Easter holidays and enjoyed the good weather.

There is so much to look forward to this term: Sports Day, Swimming for Class 4, an end of year production, Steve Manning (storyteller), an outdoor learning week and work outside on the school allotment to name a few events. The better weather also brings more opportunities to use the field for sport and social events.

Please can all pupils have their **PE kits and gardening kits in school** - to enable them to take part in the activities we have planned.

Next Friday (3<sup>rd</sup> May) is an INSET day. The children will not be in school but the teachers will be meeting to prepare for the new OFSTED inspection framework – discussing the intent, implementation and impact of our curriculum. We will be presenting this to the Governing Body and sharing this with parents/carers later this term.

**Mrs Lisa Eadie**  
**Headteacher**

## Forest School

Sarah Blunt has recently been trained as a Forest School practitioner and ran a very successful pilot group last term. As a result, the Class 1 and 2 children will be having Forest School once a week this term on Tuesday afternoons. Please can you make sure their gardening kits are in school and that the children have a waterproof coat. This is a report by James in Class 4 who took part in the pilot:

*"We played lots of games to do with senses – like you had a blindfold on and go up to a tree and have to study it with your hands and senses. Then you had to walk back to a clump of trees nearby and take off the blind-fold and find the tree you touched – identifying it what it felt like. We also did den buildings – to keep our things dry. We used rope, tarpaulin and fallen sticks.*

*We found out a lot of things about plants. A game we played is where you had to try and find a plant which had a piece of paper with a coloured sticker on it, then we had to go back and identify from a plant/tree sheet what it was. I remember finding out that there was an English oak, an Elder tree and a Hart's tongue (type of fern).*

*It was really fun, enjoyable and also very tiring!" James*

## w/c Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April

Mon 29<sup>th</sup>: Open the Book Assembly  
Y3 and 4 Cricket Festival  
3.45 pm Friends meeting

Tue 30<sup>th</sup>: Y6 Maths Booster club  
Multi-skills club (YR/KS1)  
4.45 pm Teaching and Learning Governors

Thu 2<sup>nd</sup>: Volleyball club (KS2)

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>: **NON PUPIL DAY**

## Facebook and Instagram

The school now has a Facebook page and Instagram account. The school is doing so many exciting activities we would like to keep you updated more frequently. The sites are private groups with privacy settings set very high. You can join the group by permission being granted by the school only. Please let us know if you do not wish your child/ren photos to appear on the pages. No children's names will be published. To see our page search for the school via Instagram and HNTPS on Facebook.



## Friends meeting

Monday at 3.45 pm at the school. All welcome. Childcare available if needed.

## Best Dressed Egg



Class 4 Aine - Teachers



Class 3 Will S – Bregg-exit



Class2 Edison - Planets



Class 1 Amelie – Ladybird

Staff winner – Mrs McFarlane

We raised a total of £85 for school funds! Thank you to all those who took part. There were some fabulous egg designs.

An artistic painting of hands holding flowers. The hands are rendered in a realistic style, with one hand holding a bunch of pink and yellow flowers. The background is a textured, greenish-blue wash. The overall style is painterly and expressive.

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# GREAT ART SHOW

A VIBRANT AND CREATIVE  
EXHIBITION, SHOWCASING  
THE TALENTS OF OUR GTS  
STUDENTS ACROSS  
ALL YEARS.

APRIL 27TH -MAY 6TH  
THE PLOUGH ARTS  
CENTRE  
TORRINGTON

**ALL WELCOME.**