

# NEWSLETTER

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#### Welcome to the latest edition of our school newsletter

Welcome back! It is so nice to meet our new younger children in the Squirrel class and see many familiar faces all looking just a little bit more grown up in their new uniform!

Over the summer holiday our classrooms, the school hall and the children's toilets have been decorated - everything now looks much fresher. We also had a new heating system put in, so we will all be able to stay warm this winter.

The Early Years area (our Squirrel and pre-school class) has seen lots of changes - not only redecorated and rearranged but it has a lovely new floor which is far more suited to meet the needs of our youngest children.

We would also like to welcome two new members of staff - Mr Black, teacher in the Owls class and Miss Bishop, teacher in the Hedgehog class.

#### Kate Cleaver

Principal

#### HARVEST FESTIVAL

9 October at 9am
See page

#### **OPEN CLASS EVENT**

18 October from 3pm
See page

#### **HALLOWEEN PARTY**

31 October | 4.30 - 6pm See page

### **TERM DATES**

LAST DAY: 20 Oct

FIRST DAY: 30 Oct

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# Cldss Wether Week

8 September



15 September





**Gabriel** 

Hollie

Ava

**Eleanor** 

# Pupils Wether Week



All of the new Squirrels are super!



Brooke & Eden



Charlotte & Olivia



Callum & Libby

#### **Upcoming Events**



We would like to invite you to our Harvest Assembly which will be at **9:00 on Monday 9 October**.



#### **Open Class**

You are invited to join your child(ren) in their classroom **from 3:00pm** on the afternoon of **Wednesday 18 October** where they will have the opportunity to share their work with you.



The children are invited to a Halloween Party from **4.30-6.00pm on 31 October**. The children will be supervised by teaching staff and will play Halloween themed games and have a drink and Halloween themed healthy snacks. The cost for this will be £2.50 and any funds raised will go towards the refurbishment of our playground.

## **THANK YOU**



Thank you to all the parents and staff who brought in their Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers - they enabled us to get an outdoor Connect 4 which is proving very popular with both children and adults!





#### Mon - Fri from 8am

#### **Ecton Early Birds Breakfast Club**

It has been lovely to see children already joining us for the Early Birds Breakfast Club. Children can be dropped off from 8:00, are given a healthy breakfast and then they can play games. The cost for this is only £3 per session. There is no need to book, but if you plan on using the breakfast club regularly, please let the office know.

#### Monday 3.30pm - 4.30pm

#### **Streetdance**

Led by Trilogy Leisure. Open to pupils in Hedgehog, Badger and Owl classes.

#### Tuesday 3.30pm - 4.30pm

#### **Dodgeball**

Led by Trilogy Leisure. Open to pupils in Hedgehog, Badger and Owl classes.

#### Wednesday 3.30pm - 4.30pm

#### **Gymnastics**

Led by GLK. Open to pupils in Hedgehog, Badger and Owl classes.

#### Thursday | 3.30pm - 4.30pm

#### **Multi-Sports**

Led by GLK. Open to pupils in Hedgehog, Badger and Owl classes.

#### Thursday Lunchtime | 12.20pm - 1pm

#### Football Club

It has been lovely to see children already joining us for the Early Birds Breakfast Club. Children can be dropped off from 8:00, are given a healthy breakfast and then they can play games.

If you would like more information on availability or pricing or your child would like to attend any of the above clubs please come to the school office.

#### **New School Uniform**

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their children in the new uniform - they really do look great!

Please make sure that all items of clothing are clearly named so that we can return lost property to the rightful owner.

Children are expected to have our updated PE kit and ask that you send your child to school with black shorts, plimsoles and the new school PE t-shirt.

PE kit should be kept in school, on the child's peg and taken home only at the end of term for washing.



#### **Secondary School Transition**

If you have a child who is currently in Year 6, now is the time that you need to make your secondary school applications. All of the local secondary schools will be holding information events in the coming weeks. We will endeavour to share these with you, but if you have a specific school in mind, you may make contact with them directly.

If you would like some support and guidance on the application process, please see Mrs Cleaver who will be happy to help.





NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL for Boys

# PRESENTATION EVENINGS For Year 7 Entry September 2018

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September & Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017 6.00 pm and 7.30 pm

Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2017 6.00 pm (Surnames A to D)

7.30 pm (Surnames E to K)

Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017 6.00 pm (Surnames L to R) 7.30 pm (Surnames S to Z)

Visit us on the appropriate Presentation Evening to learn about our admissions procedure. You will also then receive a time to attend the Open Evening on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017 when you will have a chance to view the facilities and meet staff and students. If you are unable to attend either of the first two evenings please contact the Admissions Officer at the school.

Please note that these presentations are extremely popular, so we ask that you ensure you attend at the time allocated for your child's surname and also that the maximum family party attending is limited to parents/guardians/carers and child where possible.

Limited parking is available in The Cripps Hall Car Park opposite the school.

All applicants will have to sit a common ability test on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at the school

Northampton School *for Boys* Billing Road, Northampton, NN1 5RT Telephone 01604 230240 Visit our web site at www.nsb.northants.sch.uk





Welcome to your future
OPEN EVENING
Tuesday 10th October 2017 at 6.30pm

www.hattonacademy.org.uk



#### Health



#### **Healthy Lunch Boxes**

School dinners are a healthy option for our children, but if you do choose to send your child with a packed lunch, we ask that you ensure that this too is a healthy option for your child.

A healthier lunchbox should: be based on starchy carbohydrates (bread, potatoes, rice, pasta) include fresh fruit and vegetables/salad. include a source of protein such as beans and pulses, eggs, fish, meat, cheese (or dairy alternative).



We do not allow children to eat sweets or chocolate bars as part of their lunch, though a small treat such as cereal bar is, of course, fine.

Please note that at break time children are only allowed to eat fresh fruit.

For some more ideas on healthy lunch boxes please follow the link below.

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life-beta/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#HPu3lisHddLWK8mW.97





#### **Cyber Bullying**

At EVPA we take all kinds of bullying very seriously and aim to create a school where every child feels safe and supported.

While the emotional aspects of bullying continue to be devastating, the internet and social media have changed the way children experience bullying. We're here to help you prepare them for what they might encounter online and deal with cyberbullying should it happen.

#### What is cyberbullying?

Cyberbullying is when someone bullies others using electronic means, this might involve social media and messaging services on the internet, accessed on a mobile phone, tablet or gaming platform. The behaviour is usually repeated.

Like any form of bullying, cyberbullying can be horrible for the children involved and hard for them to talk about.

Cyberbullying can happen via text, email and on social networks and gaming platforms. It can consist of:

- Threats and intimidation
- Harassment and stalking
- Defamation
- Rejection and exclusion
- Identify theft, hacking into social accounts and impersonation
- Publically posting or sending on personal information about another person
- Manipulation

IT CAN BE ANONYMOUS
Although its easy to keep included in bullying can post or share something without thinking

TALK ABOUT IT
If your child uses social media dont wait until it happens to discuss it with them

BEWARE WHEN THEY SHARE
Discuss what children and how this could invite bulles

Set parental controls on their devices and ensure privacy settings are at the highest level on social media

EXPLORE FOR YOURSELF

Set parental controls on their devices and ensure privacy settings are at the highest level on social media

TAKE IT SERIOUSLY

TREET, your child and be exposed to online games your child uses and what they could be exposed to online games your child online games your child suse and what they be mindful of signs that they may be getting bullied

BIOCK AND REPORT

Teeth your child what to do if they want to prevent or report abusine messages

For more information, please visit https:// www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/ learn-about-it/ and help your child stay safe on line.

## **Academic Calendar 2017/2018**

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#### **Notices**



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#### **Our Morning Routine**

Can you please ensure that children arrive no later than 8:50 so that they can be registered and in assembly on time. The gate will now lock at 9:00am and parents must accompany children to the front office and sign in the late book. Thank you for your support with this.

#### **Term Time Holidays**

Please can we reiterate that term time holidays will NEVER be authorised. It is not acceptable to take your child out of school for a family holiday, or for a family trip / birthday treat. Please understand that any unauthorised absence of 5 days or more may be referred to the Local Education Authority (LEA) and that ANY holiday (even one or two days) will also be referred to the LEA. The LEA may then impose a fine. The LEA can fine parents £60 for taking their child on holiday without permission. The fine is per child, per absence and each parent can be fined.

For further information and guidance on attendance please see the Hatton Academies Trust 'Attendance for Learning Policy' which can be found, with all other policies, on our website.

#### **Parent Consent Forms**

Your child will have brought home a consent form for you to sign and return. Please can you support us in returning this so that we have all the necessary consents for your child(ren).

#### **Bag 2 School**

Your child will soon be bringing home a bag for you to fill with good quality unwanted clothing, shoes, hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. If you could return your filled bags to school on the morning of Monday 25 September (not before please), Bag 2 School will collect them and make a donation to the school based on the weight of the bags. If you would like any extra bags please ask in the office.

