



Tower Times



Reach for the Moon

Week Commencing 23rd September 2013

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Dear Parents / Carers

The children have settled into term now and the school environment is really stimulating. Your involvement in your child's learning is integral to their success so do feel free to follow what the school is doing. There are a number of events being organised for this term so watch the TT for details!

Please note: Children will NOT be in school FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER, staff training day.

VERY IMPORTANT: There is a separate letter regarding the proposed strike action by members of the NUT and NASUWT. Please read it carefully.

PRO-KICK SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

On Monday 23rd September, Huntingtower Academy took part on the Pro Kick football Challenge with Ex Professional Junior McDougald.

Children took turns to kick a football into a giant goal with technology enabling the speed of the kick to be measured. Children have been fundraising for not only our school but also a charity linked to the SC Foundation.

"We had a great time, everyone did really well and Junior was very kind" said Adam and Martha.

Well done to all the children and staff who participated in this event. Each child will receive a certificate with their recorded speed. Thank you all for your support.

Congratulations to Mr Turner who hit 58MPH and Mrs Duxbury-Mead who hit 53MPH



We will communicate again with you next week as to how much we raised and children will be receiving their prizes.

HEADLICE

Unfortunately, we have had several occurrences in school recently. Huntingtower is not unique - all schools throughout the country have a similar problem.

The onus is on parents to check children's hair daily - look for small grey insects in the hair or their eggs (nits) that are white and usually stuck to hairs.

A special comb can be used that clears the problem. If the problem persists there are a number of special shampoos available. Combs and shampoos can be purchased at most chemist shops. Girls with long hair should always wear it tied up.

If all parents are vigilant the problem will soon disappear.



PE BAGS

Just to let you know we now have PE bags for sale again.

DRINKS AT LUNCHTIME

It appears there may have been some confusion about taking drinks into the hall at lunchtimes. We hope to be able to clarify the situation. We provide every child who has a school lunch with water or milk. They can have as much water as they like but the milk is limited. Children are permitted to take drinks into the hall but they must be small bottles/containers such as Fruit Shoots or small disposable cartons that come with straws. As you can appreciate, the lunch hall is very busy and we aim to keep it a safe place. When large sports bottles (such as the ones we provide) are taken into the hall there have been accidents with the bottles causing the children to lose grip of the tray.

We hope this helps and look forward to your support with it.

STIBBINGTON CENTRE OPEN DAY - SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

All families are invited to join Stibbington at the finale of their Heritage Lottery funded project, a Home Front Festival, on Saturday 28 September.

Visitors are invited to come along to Stibbington Centre's

Home Front Festival

on Saturday 28 September
from 10am to 4.30pm

Step back in time to the early 1940s
at our World War II themed Open Day

- Claim your free rations and buy spam sandwiches and tea cakes at Lyons Corner House
- Handle bygone artefacts
- Try 1940s toys and games
- Look at vintage vehicles
- Take cover in an Anderson shelter
- Have a go at wartime handicrafts
- Visit our exhibition of memorabilia
- Try lessons in the evacuees' classroom, with gas mask drill and a message from Princess Elizabeth
- Listen to songs from the 1940s sung by school children, and join in with community singing too!
- Before the day, find out about our competitions, see Stop Press News at www.cees.org.uk

MAKE-DO AND MEND
with Mrs. Simpson Sew

ADMISSION CHARGE for your ID card / Coupon / Ration book:
Adults £3, Children £2.
Last admission 3.00pm.
Free entry to anyone born before the end of World War II.

DIG FOR VICTORY

Stibbington Centre is part of Cambridgeshire County Council's Environmental Education Service.

Our 2013 Home Front Festival is the finale of a "Memories from the Home Front" project, supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund. The project is being co-ordinated by Stibbington Centre's Charitable Trust, registered charity number 1097019.

For details visit www.cees.org.uk or tel 01780 782386 or cees.stibbington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Stibbington Centre is located near Wansford at PE8 6LP, beside the southbound carriageway of the A1, 6 miles south of Stamford.

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MR TURNER/PASTORAL ADVICE

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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The school photographer was in school on Wednesday 25th September. The proofs will hopefully be in school at the beginning of next week and these will be sent home with your child/ren.

Diary Dates:

Term 1

INSET - school closed to children - Friday 27th September

Parents' Evenings - Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October

New Parents' Afternoon - Admissions

September 2014 - Tuesday 15th October

Harvest Festival - Friday 18th October

Break up for half term - Friday 18th October

Term 2

Term 2 starts Monday 28th October



Question of the Week

What has changed in your child's environment this week?

Tweet or Facebook us with some of your responses! I still haven't had any responses yet!