



Tower Times



Reach for the Moon

Week Commencing 11th November 2013

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Dear Parents / Carers

PHILIPPINES TYPHOON

You may have seen in the news the devastating effects that typhoon Haiyan has had on the Philippine community. The UN has called this the worst disaster since the 2004 tsunami with entire towns being destroyed.

Huntingtower PTFA is asking for your help to raise money for emergency aid by holding a children's book and toy sale on **Friday 22nd November**. If you have any books or toys which you can donate, please bring them into school on **Friday 22nd November**. We will then hold the sale straight after school in the Studio. Please come along and buy some toys for this exceptional cause. Everyone is welcome so please share with your friends and family.

Old Mobile Phones

We have also today heard from an ex-supply teacher who used to work for us, asking if we can collect old mobile phones to raise funds for this disaster. If you have any old mobile phones, please bring them into the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

DROPPING OFF CHILDREN AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.50AM

Recently we have had a few parents wishing to drop their children off early at school, due to medical appointments for themselves or other reasons. Unfortunately, due to staff commitments at the start of the school day and meetings which take place, we are unable to help out looking after children. As you are aware, Headstart is located on site and should be able to provide a child minding service for you. 01476 591744

MORRISONS VOUCHERS

We've received a grand total of 6079.
Thank you to everyone!

PTFA HALLOWEEN DISCO

The total raised for this fun evening was £360.52. Another great amount for the benefit of all your children.

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.

Question of the Week

Who is Ron Berger and why does he talk about Austin's butterfly?

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqh1M>

STARLINES PLANETARIUM - Wow!

I liked it in the planetarium when the stars went across the ceiling. You have to turn the light off. We had some food in the studio and if there wasn't enough room in the studio they had to go to the Lemurs class to eat their food. We went on the iPads to look at the stars.

Laura F-Tigers



FOOTBALL

Even with the sun shining, we knew it was going to be a chilly afternoon. We were entered in the larger school festival held at Barrowby FC with 9 other schools that had also entered and were split into two leagues.

We didn't start off as well as we hoped, losing 1.0 to Long Bennington who were a stronger side than last year. The boys knew it wasn't going to be an easy league and that they would have to work hard to gain either 1st or 2nd place to go through to the next round. The boys' effort and team work paid off in the end with two wins and a draw.

Overall the boys worked hard to get 2nd place in the league which led to them facing National 'A' in the semi-finals. Unfortunately, even though we made a great start by scoring early, we then made a couple of mistakes which allowed National to take the advantage and win the game.

We then played for 3rd place, meeting Long Bennington once again, and this time the boys were more than determined to earn 3rd place. After a hard fought and great performance, the boys saw us score with 3 minutes remaining which led Huntingtower to a 1-0 victory.

I would like to say well done to all the players, especially both the goalkeepers, pulling off some great saves and also the players playing in different positions and yet playing some good football as a team.

Well done boys!

Mrs Duxbury-Mead

Team: - Phylan, Alfie, Sam, Max, James, Gytis, Hubert, Sammy, Piotrek



ADMISSIONS - SEPTEMBER 2014

Starting School?

Children born between 1st September 2009 and 31st August 2010 are due to start Reception in September 2014.

You must apply for a school place before 12 noon, Monday 13th January 2014.

Apply online at

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions or pick up an application pack from the School Office (available from Monday 18th November).

Two from Huntingtower Nominated for Grantham is Great Awards - deadline for votes 19th November

We are delighted to hear that two of our community have been nominated for the Grantham is Great Awards 2013. Miss Harkins, teacher of class Tigers and Deputy Head is up for Top Teacher Award and Jessica Churchill has been nominated for the Child Achiever Award! Add your support by clicking on this link and voting. Go team Huntingtower!!

<http://www.granthamjournal.co.uk/news/local/vote-in-the-grantham-is-great-awards-2013-1-5623589>

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

If your child was absent when the photographs were taken, the Photographer is coming back on Wednesday 20th November to take absentees.

ILLNESS IN SCHOOL

Unfortunately, at the present time, we have some children off sick with chicken pox and sickness and diarrhoea. Our advice re sickness and diarrhoea is children should be off school for 48 hours after the last episode.

CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBERS/E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Please ensure you let us know if you change your mobile phone number, landline number and/or email address. Also, if you have given additional contact numbers, please ensure that these are still accurate.

It is imperative that we are able to contact parents/carers or the emergency contact numbers during the school day.

CHILDREN IN NEED FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER



OPEN DAY!

Squash and Racketball

Saturday 23rd Nov @
Grantham Squash & Fitness Centre

Things going on...

- FREE junior squash & racketball session 10-11am
- FREE adult squash session 11am-12pm
- FREE adult racketball session 12-1pm
- All sessions will be coach led
- Racketball demonstration at 11am & squash doubles demonstration at 12pm
- All equipment provided & no booking necessary!
- *If you join on the day you will receive our introductory offer!
- Bring your friends & family to try out squash & racketball for free!

*Anyone that joins on the day will not have to pay a joining fee, will receive 6 free grouped coaching sessions and also a free BIG HIT t-shirt!

**OPEN DAY! - SQUASH AND RACKETBALL
SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER AT
GRANTHAM SQUASH AND FITNESS
CENTRE, HARLAXTON ROAD (near A1
flyover)**

ATTENDANCE

Attendance Award Cups were today presented as follows:

KS1 - Class Koalas 99%
and

KS2 - Class Lions 98.75%
Overall attendance 95.86%

Overall attendance percentage slightly down this week due to illness.

Dates for your Diary:

Term 2

Children in Need - Friday 15th November

PTFA Toy and Book Sale to raise funds for The

Typhoon Haiyan Appeal - Friday 22nd November

PTFA Christmas/Winter Fayre - Friday 6th Dec

FS/KS1 Christmas Performance - Monday 9th

December - dress rehearsal

FS/KS1 Christmas Performance - Tues 10th Dec eve

FS/KS1 Christmas Performance - Wed 11th Dec pm

KS2 Christmas Lunch and Party - Wed 18th Dec

FS/KS1 Christmas Lunch and Party - Thurs 19th Dec

Break up for holiday - Friday 20th December

