



Tower Times



Reach for the Moon

Week Commencing 6th May 2014

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Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you to all our Year 6 children's parents for supporting their child over the last few weeks/months. As you know SATs testing will be taking place Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May. Please encourage your child to come into breakfast club each morning from 8.15am.

Please make sure you ask your child about any letters they may have been given. The best way to sort any problems with this would be to give us your email addresses.

COUNTERSIGNING PASSPORT APPLICATIONS

Just to let you know that Mr Anderson is happy to countersign your passport applications and charges £5 per passport, which goes towards the Academy.

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

Where does oxygen come from?

STAFF CHANGES

We are delighted to inform you that, as of September 2014, Donna Kightley has been appointed Assistant Head Teacher for EYFS/KS1. Also, Laura Giles has been appointed as Phase Leader for EYFS. They will both continue to be class based. Congratulations to them both and we know they will strengthen an existing strong team. Emma Harkins will be remaining as Deputy Head Teacher and will not have a full-time teaching commitment. Her expertise will be spread throughout the school.

Lyndsey Dewhurst will be returning from maternity leave on Thursday 22nd May and resuming her class teacher roll in Class Zebras on Monday 2nd June.

Shelly Evans will then resume her class teacher roll in Class Gazelles on Monday 2nd June.

Huge thanks go to both Mrs Evans and Mrs Smith for enabling us to have continuity and support the children in their care so well during this period.

OUR VISIT TO SUTTON-ON-SEA

Yesterday we went to the seaside by coach. All the Tigers, Meerkats and teachers went to Sutton on Sea because we wanted to learn about the magic of the seaside.

We came to school in non-uniform. We were so early that the gates were closed! Finally we were in the classroom. The teacher was reading the register. We were all here!

The coach arrived and we all hopped on. It took us about two hours to get to the seaside. It was very hot in the coach.

When we got there the first thing we did was go to the loo. After that we all had a biscuit then we all ran around playing tig. Then we went to the loo again! After that we went to the Dolphin Fish and Chip shop to have lunch. I had cheese burger with chips and vinegar. Then we went to the loo for the third time. Next we went to the beach and I buried myself all the way up to my chest. Eventually we were on a coach after going to the loo for the fourth time and then rode back to school.

Ethan Th - 07.05.14



Yesterday, Meerkats and Tigers went to Sutton on sea for our school trip.

First we went on a coach it was very bumpy. I was dizzy. It took two hours to get there. It was hot.

Then we looked at some shops we even saw the Dolphin. The place we were going to eat. We also saw a shop kind of a souvenir shop. It had all kinds of things.

We walked along the promenade. We saw all of the sea, sand and the beach huts.

We had lunch. I had fish fingers and chips, it was scrumptious.

We played on the beach for one hour before we had to go.

I was so tired I fell asleep for one hour. I felt better as I was not tired.

By Brooke S (Meerkats)



Teacher Vacancy

Due to moving from 3 classes in Y3/4 to two classes in Y3 and two in Y4, we have a vacancy for a teacher next year. If you know of anyone who might be interested then please direct them to the [website](#) or ask for details in the office.

BIG BREAKFAST TEAPOT CHALLENGE

Our reception children (Classes Kangaroos and Koalas) raised £50 with their Big Breakfast teapot challenge on the last day of last term. They filled 2 teapots full of change! Some children even sacrificed their own pocket money for that week to donate. All the money was sent to the Wallace and Gromit's Children Foundation which is a national charity raising funds to help improve the quality of life for sick children in hospitals and hospices across the UK. A very worthy cause indeed. Thanks to all the parents and children involved.

THIS WEEK'S FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

Both of our Huntingtower football teams were about to take on both National football teams and we all knew these matches were going to be a big test for them all playing against one of the best teams in Grantham.

Both A and B teams from Huntingtower had to learn quickly on being strong on the ball as well as making those passes and tackles count as the National sides put a lot of pressure on both of our teams.

With playing both games at the same time, it sure kept me on my toes, as both games were end to end action, tackles were going in, passing and moving and plenty of efforts on goal from all players.

I cannot pick out any individual player/s as they all worked extremely hard especially in the warm sunshine we had that evening.

I am very pleased to say that both teams won; The A team winning 4-2 and the B team winning 2-0 and overall well deserved results.

Well done to the following players: Frazer, Maksim, James, Jack, Alfie, Hubert, Harvey, Phylan, Gytis, Josh W, Piotrek, Sammy, Max and Sam.

A big "Thank You" to all parents/siblings/grandparents who came to support our teams which was very much appreciated, especially by me.

Mrs Duxbury-Mead

YEAR 3/4 CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

On Thursday, 1st May, 6 children from Huntingtower participated in our very first cross country event.

Children attended The Priory School to run just under a mile against many other children. 128 boys ran and 88 girls ran in total.

Mitchell, Rowan, Adam, Lucas and Bobby ran first and I cannot explain how excited they all were too, even after they passed the finish line they were smiling and telling parents/grandparents all about it. It was then Ella's turn to race. Again I cannot express how excited and happy Ella was to represent our school, and I am so proud of the boys who came across to support Ella in her race. These children showed great team-work, they supported each other and never stopped smiling, definitely a credit to our school and all finishing in great positions.

Well done to all children and "Thank You" to all members of the children's family, Mrs Dilloway and Mr Turner for their support.

Mrs Duxbury-Mead



THREE ITEMS OF LOST PROPERTY IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

A little silver necklace with girl's name has been handed into the school office. If you have lost a necklace and think it may belong to you, please call into the school office.

Also, girl's jeans and bright pink t-shirt in an Asda carrier bag are in the office.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

These are due to take place on Thursday 22nd May. As in previous years, Huntingtower Academy will be used as a Polling Station, **but will remain open to all children, as voting will take place in our Extended Provisions Building (Head Start).**

STRETCH and FLEX with Jackie

Come and try - you have nothing to lose but inches!

Pay as you go £4 per class.

New Venue Huntingtower Academy on

Wednesdays 6.00 - 7.00pm

Term Time Only!

ATTENDANCE

Fantastic attendance this week, well done and thank you!

KS1 - Class Giraffes 100%

and

KS2 - Class Lions 98.71%

Overall percentage this week - 97.69%

The overall percentage is up again this week - excellent!

WORLD CUP FOOTBALL FUN DAYS



One Touch Football Soccer School



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One Touch Football are going to be running football world cup fun days in the MAY half term. The sessions will be for BOYS & GIRLS from ages 4 to 14 years, from beginners to more experience players. The days will be based on learning new skills in a fun and relaxed environment.

Head Coach, Glenn Vaughan is a coach & scout for a professional football club.

Venue	Address	Dates
GRANTHAM	HARROWBY LANE PLAYING FIELDS, HARROWBY LANE, GRANTHAM, NG31 9QY	28TH TO 30TH MAY

TIMES & COSTS: 9.00 till 15.00 - £15 per day 10.00 till 15.00 - £12 per day
OFFERS: attend 3 days £30.00 from 9.00 till 3.00

THE COURSE INCLUDES:

- ☺ ALL participants will get a certificate of participation
- ☺ ALL coaches are FA or UEFA qualified, first aid trained and CRB checked
- ☺ WORLD CUP THEMED GAMES as well as our very own WORLD CUP TOURNAMENT
- ☺ Hours of FUN & ENJOYMENT!!!

BOOKING PROCEDURES:

- ☺ Complete the consent form (below) and send course payment (cash or cheques made payable to "One Touch Football Soccer School Ltd") in a sealed envelope to One Touch Football, 11 Tobias Grove, Stamford, Lincs, PE9 4BD
- ☺ Go to www.onetouchfootball.co.uk then simply just fill in the online booking form followed by payment which can be made online by debit or credit card

PLACES WILL BE ISSUED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS SO WE RECOMMEND BOOKING NOW TO SAVE DISAPPOINTMENT!!!

COME ALONG AND BE PART OF THE WORLD CUP EXPERIENCE!



World Cup Football fun days in Grantham

NAME _____ AGE ____ D.O.B ____/____/____ MEDICAL INFO _____

ADD _____ POST CODE _____

PHONE _____ EMERGENCY NO _____

DATES ATTENDING _____ WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US _____

EMAIL ADD _____

I agree that OTF reserve the right to remove any disruptive children from the fun days/development sessions and that none of the parties involved with the organization of this centre can accept responsibility for loss or damage to person or property. Refunds cannot be made (unless agreed). Credit notes will be issued and are valid for 6 months from date of issue.

ALL places will be confirmed by email so please do fill in the email section, should you wish for written confirmations please enclose stamped envelope.

PRINT NAME _____ SIGNED _____ (Parent/Guardian)

www.onetouchfootball.co.uk

Proud to announce we are now an
FA Charter Standard Club



CHARTER STANDARD CLUB

Follow us on



Booking forms are available from the school office.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS 2014

Vouchers are again being issued by Sainsbury's - one voucher for every £10 spent. These vouchers will be issued for purchases made between 29.01.14 and 20.05.14. The more we receive the more free items we will be able to order.

INSPIRE+ - OLYMPIC SPORTS CAMPS

After the highly successful Olympic Sports Camp during the recent Easter Holidays, where children got to participate in sports such as Archery, Basketball, Badminton, Netball, Street Dance, Seated Volleyball and many more, Inspire+ are delighted to invite pupils to come along again to their next Olympic Sports Camp during the May Half Term.

The most recent camp in the Easter holidays saw at least 40 children per day and had 90 plus different children across the 7 days. The May camp will run over 4 days - from Tuesday 27th May through to Friday 30th May.

A booking form with all details is attached to this email. Also details of the Summer Camp are attached.



May Half Term Poster.doc



Summer Camp Poster.doc

Dates for your Diary:

Y6 SATS - Monday 12th - 15th May

Grandparents' Afternoon - Class Leopards and Class Giraffes - Wednesday 14th May, 2-3pm

Y3, Y4, Y5 SATS (date to be confirmed)

European Elections (Extended Provisions Building) - Thursday 22nd May

Term Ends Friday 23rd May

Term 6 - Monday 2nd June

KS2 Races am / KS1 pm - Monday 30th June

New Intake - Secondary/Moving Up - Tuesday 1st July

PTFA Summer Fayre - Saturday 5th July