



WELL-BEING DONKEYS

The visit of the miniature

Well-Being Donkeys has been rescheduled to Friday 6th October in the morning. We can't wait! The day will start with an introduction to the donkeys in a whole-school assembly at 9.30am. Each class will then visit the donkeys on the field to ask questions and get to know them better.

Please let us know if your child is allergic to horses or donkeys so we can take appropriate action.

We are really grateful to FOFSA for organising this special visit for us and we look forward to telling you all about it in due course.

CAULIFLOWER CARDS

We know it is early to be thinking about Christmas, but nevertheless, the children have produced some wonderful cards, which we think are all stunning. We know you might be able to buy cheaper, but we feel these cards really are extra special. Plus, a percentage of the profits go towards FOFSA to help build their school fund. Do please look at all the options available online and make your orders, before sending the cards back into school by Friday. Happy Christmas!

POLYTUNNEL PROGRESS BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP.

Thank you to the team who helped with the Polytunnel last week. Progress has definitely been made and a skeleton is now in place. Next we need to create the frames for the sliding doors, then pull over the plastic and we should be there. If you can help us with this, please join us on **Saturday 14th October from 9-12am** and bring your tools. If we have a big enough team of volunteers, we would also like a gang to focus on **improving the wild-life pond**. This area needs the nettles weeded and the bull-rushes removed from the pond. So, please bring your gloves and wellies. Finally, if anyone has a **trailer** to remove the cuttings from the school garden, that would also be very much appreciated. As an incentive, Mrs Lynsey, who runs Gardening Club, has promised to supply bacon sandwiches! We hope you

can join us. Thank you.



BONJOUR! HOLA! CIAO! EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

We had a great day last Tuesday when we celebrated the European Day of Languages. In Yangtze Class, we learnt a few greetings and phrases to introduce ourselves and tasted some Ukrainian treats. Taste testing was also on the menu in Congo Class—but this time with German specialities : the scores for smoked cheese, rye bread and Haribos were all ten-out-of-ten! In Colorado Class, sweetness was flavour of the day as the children tasted treats enjoyed by the children of Portugal. Meanwhile, Danube Class were learning *Cabeza, hombros, rodillas, pies*, which - you won't need me to tell you - means Head, shoulders, knees and toes in Spanish. At the same time, Waveney Class were learning about Italy and Italian, including designing their own pizzas. *Deliziosa!*

PARENTS EVENINGS

Parents evenings will be held on the evenings of Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th October (3.30pm—6pm). We are really looking forward to meeting you, sharing your child's achievements and showing you the work they have been doing. Time slots will be put out on Monday 9th October, so please make sure you have signed up either by popping into the office or messaging Jane.

We have also organised separate meetings for children with Individual Support Plans. These will take place next week and are in addition to the Parents Evenings, so that we can focus on the particular learning needs and targets for your child. If you haven't been contacted by your class teacher, but were expecting one of these meetings, please contact us to arrange a suitable time.

IN TOUCH NEWSLETTER

REPRESENTING THE SCHOOL

We are really proud of the fact we achieved the School Games Gold Award last year for our commitment to inter-school competition. The sporting calendar for the autumn term has just been released (see dates) and the year promises to be just as jam-packed and exciting as last year. There will be lots of opportunities for children to represent the school in all sorts of different competitive and non-competitive events.

As always, the prime criteria for selecting teams is by attitude rather than ability; those wishing to represent the school must first show in PE lessons they are able to demonstrate our sporting values of passion, teamwork, honesty, self-belief, determination and respect. This year, before taking part in events, we will also be asking our children to sign a code of conduct to uphold these values whilst participating.

We are really looking forward to another year of fun and competition and, fingers crossed, some sporting success!



PASSPORTS

If anyone would like their class teacher to act as a counter-signatory for passports, we are normally happy to help.

However, we hope you recognise this can be quite a time-consuming business, so please give us plenty of notice. Thank you.

PARKING

Please don't park on the road outside the school because it blocks the school buses from getting round. There is plenty of parking in the car park outside the chapel. Thank you.

UNWANTED UNIFORM

If you have any good quality uniform that your children have grown out of, please consider donating it to the school. It will be given, for free, to families needing it. Thank you.

FOODBANK

If you and your family are struggling and you need some food, please contact Rev Susan on 01379 388493.



NO NUTS PLEASE

To avoid the risk of allergic reactions and anaphylaxis, ours is a nut-free school. Please be mindful of this when preparing packed lunches. Some common items cannot be included in lunches, including Battenberg cake (marzipan) and Nutella (hazelnuts). Thank you for being considerate.

DATE	EVENT
Mon 2nd— Fri 6th Oct	Support Plan Update Meetings with parents
Wed 4th Oct	HSSSP Football Comp: Hartismere (10am-12pm)
Wed 4th Oct	Sukkot Child-Led Assembly
Thurs 5th Oct	National Poetry Day
Fri 6th Oct	FOFSA Harvest Disco (After school)
Fri 13th Oct	Cross Country at Mellis Common (KS2) (12.45-2.30pm)
Wed 18th— Thurs 19th Oct	Parents Evenings (3.30—6.00pm)
Wed 18th Oct	HSSSP Girls Football: Hartismere (12.15pm-2.45pm)
Thurs 19th Oct	Harvest Festival (9.30—10.30am)
Fri 20th Oct	Black History Month Celebration—Black Britons
23rd—27th Oct	HALF TERM
Wed 1st Nov	Curriculum Meeting for Parents in Waveney Class
Mon 6th—Wed 8th Nov	Y4 Hilltop Residential
Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need Dress Up Day
Mon 20th Nov	Flu Immunisations
Wed 22nd Nov	Tag Rugby Comp: Thomas Mills (12.00pm-2.45pm)
Thurs 23rd Nov	VANCOLS Individual Photos
Wed 29th Nov	Panathlon (Time TBC)
Tues 12th Dec	Waveney, Danube & Colorado Christmas Nativity
Wed 13th— Thurs 14 Dec	Waveney, Danube & Colorado Christmas Nativity Double Bill (9.30—10.30am)
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
Mon 18th Dec	Christmas Panto in School
Tuesday 19th Dec	Christingle Service and Cups at the Church 9.30-
Tues 19th Dec	Last Day for Pupils
Wed 20th Dec	PD DAY

WELLIES

Please bring in a pair of wellies to wear on the school field. Our intention is to use our lovely field throughout the winter, but the children will need to wear wellies at playtime as the weather gets wetter. Please make sure the wellies are named with permanent marker. If you don't have a spare pair of wellies at home, simply let us know and we can give your child one of the very many pairs of spares we have in school.

OUR SCHOOL VALUE THIS TERM
IS: CREATIVITY