



Horniman News

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MEET THE TEACHER MEETINGS

Next week we are holding our meet the teacher meetings. I hope that you will be able to take this opportunity to meet with the class teacher to discuss plans for the term and the year ahead. There is also an opportunity to meet the teacher individually at the target setting meetings scheduled for October 14th and 15th.

SECONDARY TRANSFER INFORMATION

We had an excellent turnout of YR6 parents at the secondary transfer meeting which took place at Forest Hill School this week. During the week we have received prospectuses and information from many of our local and out of borough secondary schools. This information is available outside the office. We have also been sent some Southwark common application forms which are available to our parents who live in Southwark.

YR5 parents may also be interested in looking at the information. Although secondary school is still two years away for our YR5 children; feedback from parents in previous years has indicated that it can be useful to start visiting schools the year before secondary transfer to start building a picture of the different options. All the school open days and evenings take place within a very short period of time: from mid September to early October. We can only authorise absence for YR6 children to visit schools.

STAFF NEWS

The following classes will require cover next week:
Wednesday YR2 TBA

CLUB NEWS

This week club offer letters were sent home via pupil post. Please see the arrangements for after school activity clubs overleaf. If you have any queries regarding your club offers please contact Marsherie McGregor in the School Office. Marsherie focuses on club work between 1pm and 3pm. You can contact her via the school telephone or email her on: m.mcgregor@horniman.lewisham. We would like to apologise if you have been contacted in error during the setup of our new payment system.

NEW SYSTEM FOR PAYMENT REQUESTS

We have thought very carefully about the implementation of a new system that will accommodate the needs of all parents and carers. We will now issue a monthly bill that will include all monies owed to the school up to and including the date it is printed (please see the example opposite).

Siblings will appear on the same report and it will be possible to write one cheque for all payments owed to the school for the whole family. If you would like to pay half termly or termly for clubs or dinner money the amounts are available from the school website under the latest news section and follow on this newsletter. The office staff can also give you this information. If you would like to pay weekly - please see one of the office staff who can print you a weekly statement.

Name & Class	Club Name	Debit	Credit	
Child 1	Breakfast	-£20.00		
	Football Yrs 3/4, Mondays 3.30pm - 4.15pm	-£2.50		
	Guitar, Thursdays 10.30am - 12noon	-£3.00		
	ICT Yrs 3/4, Thursdays 3.30pm - 4.15pm	-£2.00		
	Tennis Beginners, Wednesdays 3.05pm - 3.40pm	-£0.00		
	Dinner Money Balance	-£1.40		
	Net Total		-£28.90	
Sibling 1	Breakfast	-£20.00		
	Football Yrs 3/4, Mondays 3.30pm - 4.15pm	-£2.50		
	Dinner Money Balance	£0.00		
	Net Total		-£22.50	
	Sibling Group Total		-£51.40	

CLUB AND DINNER MONEY COSTS

Dinner Money	£1.40 per day	£7 per week	£49 per 1/2 term	£98 per term
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Club	Cost per session	Cost per 1/2 term	Cost per term
French (KS1)	£3.50	£17.50	£38.50
French (KS2)	£3.50	£17.50	£38.50
Football (Yrs 3/4)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
Art (Yrs 4/5/6)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Dance (pre-primary)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Dance (primary)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Art (Rec & Yr 1)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Football (Yrs 5/6)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
Cooking (Yrs 1/2)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Multi Skills Sports (Yrs 1/2)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
Chess (KS2)	direct to CCF		
Violin (KS2)	£3.00	£15.00	£33.00
Tennis Beginners (Yrs 4/5/6)	direct to tutor		
Tennis Intermediate (Yrs 4/5/6)	direct to tutor		
Museum (Yrs 3/4)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Textiles (KS2)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Woodwind (KS2)	£3.00	£15.00	£33.00
Polish (Yrs 3/4)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
ICT (Yrs 3/4)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
Girls Football (KS2)	£2.00	£10.00	£22.00
Art (Yrs 2/3)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Drama (KS2)	£3.75	£18.75	£41.25
Guitar	£3.00	£15.00	£33.00
Dance (I)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Dance (II)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50
Dance (III)	£2.50	£12.50	£27.50

KS1 CONKER COLLECTION COMPETITION

We will be running our conker collecting competition again this year. Reception and KS1 children will have a two week period, starting on Monday, to see how many conkers they can collect. This provides opportunities for lovely activities and counting activities. We have talked to the children about how to collect conkers safely. A few years ago we collected over 8000 conkers! We will announce which class collected the most conkers on Friday 2nd October

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GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

The best class at getting to school on time this week was: **YR2** with no lates. Very well done YR2!

TERM PLANS AND HOMEWORK ACTIVITIES

Copies of the term plans and suggested home learning activities will be displayed on class pages of the school website from Monday. The home learning activities are suggestions of activities which relate to this term's topics. We are always interested to hear about and see the additional work that that children have completed at home. The topics for this term are as follows:

REC Ourselves and People Who Help Us

YR1 Our Senses

YR2 Toys

YR3 & YR4 Ancient Egypt

YR5 & YR6 India

YR3 and YR4 attended workshops at Horniman museum this week where they had the opportunity to handle objects from mummy cases that were over 2000 years old. Later in the term they will be visiting The British Museum.

PTA NEWS

New parents meeting

All new parents are invited to meet the PTA at your new parents meeting on Thursday 1st October, 6.00pm – 7.30pm. The PTA will provide refreshments and nibbles and members of the PTA committee will be there to welcome you to the school and the PTA. All members of the PTA are invited to come along and welcome new families to the school community.

PTA meeting

The first meeting of this year will take place at 2.00pm - 3.00pm on Tuesday 6th October. All are invited to attend. We will be planning our Winter Wonderland Ball and other events for the Autumn term. Free tea/coffee and biscuits

Sponsored Walk

We raised £581.00 for the Sponsored Walk which took place at the end of last term. This money together with previously raised PTA funds is being used to purchase new staging for the hall for performances and events and to purchase new sports kit for children who participate in events away from school. Thank you to everyone who has helped to raise these funds.

CRB AND VOLUNTEER HELPERS

There has been a lot of discussion in the press and media over the last week relating to criminal record checks for volunteers who work with children. These regulations do not come into operation until next year and are now the subject of a review.

At Horniman we encourage parents to become involved in school life through reading and maths workshops, sharing expertise and supervising with trips and sports events. We already ask parents who help regularly and would like more involvement to complete a CRB check. Only parents or volunteers who have CRB clearance are able to work independently with children. All other parents and volunteers work within the supervision of a member of staff.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our clubs are provided to enrich your child's learning.

The clubs are led by both school staff and outside providers. All our after school club staff have had a Criminal Records Bureau check and have relevant experience and/or qualifications to lead the club. They are committed to the aims of the school.

Our expectation is that all children will behave in line with the school behaviour policy at after school clubs. If your child is having difficulties with this, the club leader will inform you. If the difficulty persists the child may be asked to leave the club and the place given to another child.

Payment

Parent and carers are expected to pay for all sessions in advance, regardless of whether their child attends the session. All payments should be made to the school with the exception of Tennis, Drama and Chess clubs where payment collection will be dealt with by the club leader. Payments should be brought to the office in a clearly marked envelope (cheques made payable to *Horniman Primary School*). The office CANNOT provide change for cash payments. Payment should be made either weekly, termly or half termly.

Collection

It is important that all children are collected promptly at the end of the session from the collection point. Please do not wait in the office area. Any other arrangements for collection need to be stated in writing. Some of our older children go home on their own; it is important that we are aware of this arrangement.

Regular late collection will lead to the club place being withdrawn.

Cancellation of sessions

Very occasionally it may be necessary to cancel a session due to tutor absence. When this happens, an additional session will be added if at all possible. If this is not possible, a reimbursement will be made for the missed session.

You will be contacted as early as possible if a club is cancelled or details changed.

First aid/emergencies

A member of the school leadership team is on duty during club sessions. Should your child require first aid, they will be seen by the After School Club first aider, Marsherie McGregor.

Complaints/concerns

If you have a complaint or concern regarding any of the clubs, please speak to the club leader. If you remain concerned, please make an appointment to see the Headteacher.

Siblings

We are not able to provide care for sibling whilst other family members are attending a club.