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FEDERATION NEWS

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WELCOME BACK!

It feels like the start of a new term! I have to say it is lovely to hear the buzz of children around the schools. And the children have settled back into school amazingly well, which is all credit to you and the work that you put in at home, thank you. As a school, we are looking at what bits worked well during lockdown that we want to keep going. One element we want to keep going is using Class DoJo. Staff will still be contactable through Class DoJo, as we are having as few people in school as possible, however please understand that they are also all teaching all day. Responses will be slower and during work hours, as I am also keen for staff to switch devices off outside of work hours.

STAFFING

We are currently working through a restructure. I am delighted to tell you that Ms Sadd and Mr Graveling are now Assistant Headteachers, leading the Infant phase and Junior phase respectively. They thoroughly deserve these new roles and are both excited and motivated to take up the new challenge. I will continue to work closely with them both as the Senior Leadership Team for the schools. Mrs Robinson and Mr Harvey will become SENDCos in their respective schools. I am also conscious of the additional Pastoral Support demands across the school so we are also looking to increase staffing in this area.

We also have a job vacancy for a Midday Supervisor Assistant to cover maternity leave for the summer term. It is 4 days a week, Monday to Thursday and is for 1 hour 20 minutes per day. For more information or to apply please go to www.loddonprimaryfederation.co.uk/about-us/staff-vacancies/

TERM DATES

Easter Holiday—Monday 29th March—Monday 12th April (Children return to school on Tuesday 13th April)

Bank Holiday Monday—3rd May

May Half Term—Monday 31st May—Friday 4th June

Summer Holiday—Friday 23rd July.

Please find below calendar for next year.

Norfolk County Council **2021-2022** Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key: White dates - schools open to pupils
Yellow dates - pupil holiday
Red dates - bank holiday
Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 2nd & 3rd September, 4th January, 19 April and 25 July. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.

R/1E NEWS

We have had a very lovely and busy first week back to school and have been so excited to see each other again! We have loved spending lots of time outside and have enjoyed playing in our new mud kitchen, exploring the new musical instruments and sharing stories together in our story den! Before we came back to school, the teachers spotted some suspicious footprints in our new mud kitchen and decided they must belong to a tiger! We started some research at home and have continued learning about tigers in school- did you know a tiger's roar can be heard as far as 3 kilometres away? We have started exploring the book 'Tigress' and have lots of exciting challenges lined up over the next couple of weeks in Literacy. We have also been busy gardening and have enjoyed planting some seed potatoes and sweet pea seeds. We can't wait to enjoy our potatoes for snack and grow some flowers for the summer!



RED NOSE DAY- FRIDAY 19TH MARCH

We will have a non-uniform day on Friday 19th March for Comic Relief. Donations pots will be placed in class rooms. Unfortunately we will not be selling Red Noses as this will reduce the chances of noses getting swapped between the children, we also ask that red noses from home are not brought into school. Thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM HOBART HIGH SCHOOL

As you will be aware, all schools have introduced measures to reduce the spread of infection during the current pandemic. One such measure at Hobart High School is that we have allocated car parking spaces in the sports hall car park for HHS parents to use as drop off and pick up points. This means that staff have a much more limited car parking spaces that they can use. With that in mind, we would ask members of the public who do not have children at HHS to avoid using the HHS car parks at the moment.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.
Hobart High School

PLEASE LEAVE THE PLAYGROUND AS SOON AS YOU HAVE COLLECTED YOUR CHILD, THANK YOU.

4H NEWS

What a wonderful start back for the 4H team! Thank you for making it such positive and fun week! So many examples of kindness and enthusiasm. I for one was so excited to welcome everyone safely back to school, and I know that the 4Hers felt the same.

Highlights this week included an awesome session of Zone Ball in P.E., growing confidence with fractions in maths, kicking on with science lessons and some strong opinions in English as part of our Loddon Eco-Action Campaign (LEAC).

Even though everyone will be no doubt exhausted come Friday afternoon, it will be energy well spent and I am sure everyone will be looking forward to coming back next week!

Have a wonderful weekend, Mr Harvey and Miss Howard



56CA NEWS

It is wonderful to be back together in school! Over the past few days, we have been catching up with each other and getting back into our school routine. We have been playing lots of maths and vocabulary games, conducting mini science investigations and working on timelines in topic. We are looking forward to taking our learning further in the weeks to come!



56CR NEWS

In 56Cr we've been busy catching up. Catching up with friends that is! It has been so lovely laughing and playing and making the most of the nice weather at the start of the week. We've also been getting stuck straight into Science and investigating different properties of materials. In Maths we've been playing dice games and making silly sentences in Literacy. It has been a very loud, excitable few days, but I wouldn't have it any other way!



3B NEWS

Hello Everyone, we have had a lovely few days back in the 3B classroom. This week so far in Maths we have been looking at Place Value in 3-digit numbers, singing times tables songs and have been playing some Maths multiplication games together. We have started reading a new book this week called The Butterfly Lion which we have been really enjoying so far. In science, we have been carrying on with our topic of Sound, we created and used a string telephone to explore how a sound can change over a distance.



3J NEWS

What a lovely first week back we have had! In 3J, we have had a gentle week with the perfect combination of learning, socialising, fun and lots of catching up! We have been working on some Team Games in PE, revisiting Place Value, making communication devices for our science topic, focusing on a whole class reader 'Billy The Kid' and learning how to use a dictionary to look up new words! We are so happy to be back together and I think the smiles on their faces say it all!

