



St Hardulph's C of E Primary School

School Newsletter



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May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.
Ephesians 3:17

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Reminders for next week :

Monday Class 1 & Class 3 PE

Tuesday Forest School see schedule on the last page below the calendar

Wednesday PE - All Classes

As this is the first newsletter of this term due to the snow closure day last Friday, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a very happy new year and welcome back to the new term.

Headteacher's Treat

Owlets: Emma

Pangolins: Edie

Beavers: Zane

Headteacher's Awards

This week have been awarded to:

Scarlett Arthur Ruby A
William E Ruby-Leigh Ida
Vivienne Lilly M Oscar R-C
Jaxon Elliot Emma Archi A
Elijah Archie T

Silver Star

Rupert Zac

Silver Medal

Finn

Attendance

Our average attendance this year to date.

	<u>% attendance this year</u>
Owlets	96.9%
Pangolins	98.2%
Beavers	96.1%
Total	97.3%

Number of minutes lost this week due to children arriving late: 0

There have been several events added to the school calendar this term and ahead to the summer so please do make sure you have a read of the letters regarding trips etc. that are planned. Many thanks and have a good weekend, Mrs Ellis.

Mothers Day Lunch

You will see from the calendar on the back page that we have unfortunately had to cancel Mothers Day Lunch this year due to a clash with the timing of swimming lessons. The Mothers Day Service will go ahead as usual.

Young Voices

Here are a few of the photos taken of our children at the Young Voices Concert on Thursday evening. Thank you to Mrs Chennells for organising the trip and preparing the children. Also, thank you to our parent helpers. The children had a great time.

Letters sent this week

- Butterfly Farm - Owlets
- Swimming - Beavers & Pangolins
- Leicester Cathedral - Whole of Main School
- Overnight Adventure at The Deep - Beavers & Pangolins



REMEMBER TO CHECK THAT ALL OF NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MEALS HAVE BEEN ORDERED & PAID FOR

Trips

We are very conscious that a number of trips have been publicised this week and that this may be a lot for some of our parents. If you are having difficulties with this, please contact the office or speak to Mrs Ellis in confidence.

Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)

Please see the information below on Free School Meals. We would encourage any parents who think they might be eligible to apply for Free School Meals as soon as possible. If your application is successful, we might also be able to support with help towards the cost of trips.

Free School Meals

Information on who can get free school meals and how to apply:

If your child isn't registered for Free School Meals and you receive any of the following benefits, your child may be able to get free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
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- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Currently all children entitled to free school meals will receive them until the end of the academic year 2025/26. This continues even if your income increases. This is called transitional protection.

From the start of the 2026/27 academic year, it is the Department for Education's intention that all protections will be discontinued, alongside an extension to the eligibility criteria for free school meals. From this point, households must meet the eligibility criteria to be entitled to free school meals.

To apply for Free School Meals please go to: [Apply online for free school meals](#) on the Leicestershire County Council website.

If your application is successful you need to let school know as school is not automatically notified.

School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille. Please speak to Mrs Ellis or the Office if you have a particular requirement.



Diary Dates

2025/26	Who?	What
30/01	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers (all children) - Swimming
06/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
10/02	All	Safer Internet Day
12/02	All	Valentines Theme Lunch
13/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
13/02	All	PTFA Break the Rules Day
16/02 to 20/02	All	Half Term Break
23/02	All	INSET Day—no children in school
27/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children + Gala practice
04/03	Owlets	Trip to Stratford Butterfly Farm
05/03	All	World Book Day
06/03	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
12/03	All	Trip to Leicester Cathedral
13/03	All	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
13/03	All	Mother's Day Lunch Cancelled due to swimming
13/03	All	Mothers' Day Service in church 2:15pm
18/03	All	Parents' Evening
20/03	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers (all children) - Swimming
26/03	All	Easter Themed Lunch
27/03	All	Easter Service in church 2:15pm
27/03	All	School Closes
30/03 to 10/04	All	Easter Break
13/04	All	School Opens
22/04	All	Earth Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
04/05	All	May Day Bank Holiday
11 to 14/05	Y6	SATS week
18&19/05	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers Trip to the Deep & other attractions, Hull
18 to 22/05	All	Safety Week
20/05	All	World Bee Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
25/05 to 29/05	All	Half Term Break
01/06	All	Class Photos
08/06	All	World Ocean Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
19/06	All	Fathers' Day Breakfast 8:00am
24/06	All	Sports Day
24/06	All	Sports Day Parent Lunch
06/07	Y6	Y6 Leaving Activity
09/07	All	Family Picnic 12:00
09/07	All	Final Celebration worship
09/07	All	School Closes for summer break

Forest School Schedule (Forest School kit needed)			
Block 3	Block 4	Block 5	Block 6
1/12/25 – 23/01/26	26/01/26- 13/03/26	16/3/26 – 15/5/26	18/5/26 – 10/7/26
Tuesdays Owlets & Pangolins	Tuesdays Owlets & Beavers	Tuesdays Owlets & Pangolins	Tuesdays Owlets & Beavers

SH Active Holiday Camp

The flyer has been sent as an attachment with this newsletter. The following link <https://sh-active-sports.classforkids.io/venue/2/st-hardulphs-primary-school> should be used to book.



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