

Horsted School



Friday 7th February 2025



Children's Mental Health Week!

This week at Horsted we have been celebrating Children's Mental Health week. The theme this year is "Know yourself, Grow yourself." We support each other each and every day here at Horsted but school life can be hectic and children's mental health week allows us time to reflect! It has been wonderful raising the awareness and importance of wellbeing this week and the children have enjoyed a wide range of activities.

Many classes have taken part in mini-meditations, where children learn how to calm down using breathing techniques, enjoy the moment and relax and unwind. Some have taken part in discussions relating to the theme and generated ideas on what "Know yourself, Grow yourself" may mean. Other classes have created art-work around our theme and how they aim to 'grow themselves'. We have read many books relating to wellbeing, giving children tools to help with their mental health. However, many children's favourite activity was the wellbeing yoga workshop. The kids loved it! Children practiced the cobra, the down-ward facing dog, the lotus and even the warrior positions. The yoga instructor not only taught the children yoga positions but the benefits of yoga and how certain breathing techniques can help. Overall we have had a super week and we look forward to using some of the techniques we have learnt over the year to come.

If you are interested in discussing any of these themes with your children at home, there are lots of resources available for parents at the Place 2 Be website for Children's Mental Health Week 2025.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

Valentines Tag Day.

It's Valentines Day on Friday 14th and some of the children have asked if we could celebrate by having a non—uniform day. **No donations necessary** but children can wear 'hearts or flowers' should they choose to do so—or just their own clothes. Apologies for the short notice, please do not buy outfits, own clothes are more than fine!

By the way.... Year 4 attendance is amazing this week—Well Done!

Have a fabulous weekend!

Sarah Steer

Headteacher.



Remember Reading!

Term dates:

Every Monday

Swimming

*For the rest of the
academic year*

**Wednesday 12th
February**

*Year 2 Concert to Parents
9.00am*

**Friday 14th February
Valentines Tag Day.
Last day of Term**

**Monday 24th February
Start of Term 4**

**Wednesday 5th March
Yr 4 Trip to Maidstone
Museum**

**Thursday 6th March
World Book Day
(More details to follow)**

**Thursday 13th March
Yr R Hearing & Vision
Screening
(more details to follow)**

Stars of the Week

Striving, Thoughtful, Ambitious, Resilient, Supportive

Grasshoppers: *Max*

Caterpillars: *Jhanvi*

Honeybees: *Matilda*

Dragonflies: *Bobby*

Butterflies: *Isla*

Ladybirds: *Stanley*

Hundred Acre Wood: *Max*

Wonderland: *Jack*

Paddington Station: *Frankie*

Far Away Tree: *Stanley*

Neverland: *Ben*

Middle Earth: *Jade*

Narnia: *Grace*

Hogwarts: *Martha*

Attendance

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

Check out your child's attendance percentage on the Arbor App.

Weekly attendance:

Infants: 96%

Juniors: 95.5%

Year group attendance:

Year R: 95.9%

Year 1: 95.6%

Year 2: 96.6%

Year 3: 96.8%

Year 4: 97.4%

Year 5: 95.4%

Year 6: 92.4%

Infant class champions:

Butterflies 99%

Junior class champions:

Wonderland 98.3%

House Points

Total points for the week:

Amherst : 88

Bridgewood : 72

Clarence : 84

Delce : 73

Total Points so far:

Amherst : 1695

Bridgewood : 1878

Clarence : 1670

Delce : 1532



1st Place: Alfie N

2nd Place: Aliza B

3rd Place: Lara R



Winning House: Delce

Battle of the Bands Winner: Year 5

Arthur & Dhyan for their Primary Maths Challenge Bonus Round.

1st Place: Ava

2nd Place: Rosie C

3rd Place: Noah B

Dates for Academic Year 2024/2025

Monday 25th November—14th July 2025

Year 4 Swimming

Wednesday 12th February—Year 2 Concert to Parents

Friday 14th February—End of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 24th February—Start of Term 4

Wednesday 5th March—Year 4 Museum Trip

Thursday 6th March—World Book Day

Thursday 13th March—Yr R Hearing & Vision Screening

Friday 21st March—Red Nose Day

Thursday 3rd April—MYG Netball

Friday 4th April—Last Day of Term 4 Easter Bunny

Term 5

Monday 21st April—Easter Monday

Tuesday 22nd April—First Day of Term 5

Monday 5th May—May Bank Holiday

Monday 12th May—SATs Week

Tuesday 20th May—Yr 5 Trip to Gurdwara

Tuesday 20th May—Infant Disco 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 20th May—Junior Disco 5.00-6.30pm

Thursday 22nd May— MYG Rugby

Friday 23rd May - Staff Development Day

Term 6

Monday 2nd June—First Day of Term 6

Tuesday 3rd June—Yr 3 Trip to Rochester

Thursday 5th June—MYG Football

Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th June—African Dancers

Wed 11th, Thurs 12th, Fri 13th June - Archery

Monday 9th June—Year 1 Phonics Screening Week

Monday 9th June—Sports Week

Thursday 12th June Sports Day—Juniors Am & Infants Pm

Friday 13th June—Bottle and Sweet Tag Day

Thursday 19th June—Class Photos

Friday 20th– 23rd June—Yr 6 PGL Residential Trip

Thursday 26th June—MYG Cricket

Saturday 28th June—Summer Fayre 11am—2pm

Tuesday 8th July—MYG Athletics

Tuesday 8th July—Year 1 Fenn Bell Trip

Tuesday 8th July—Year 6 Production—6.00-7.00pm

Thursday 10th July—Year 5 Trip to Leysdown

Thursday 10th July— Year 6 Production 5.00-6.00pm

Friday 11th July—Year 6 Prom 6.00-8.00pm

Tuesday 15th July—Year 6 Leaver's Assembly & BBQ 2.00-4.00pm

Friday 18th July—Last Day of Term

Monday 21st July & Tuesday 22nd July

Staff Development Days

