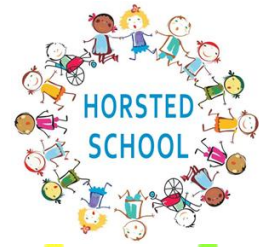


# Horsted School



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

It's so lovely to be back at school and to see everyone again! I want to say a heartfelt thank you to all of you who have taken the time to welcome me back so warmly - it's been a busy week so I am definitely back into the swing of things!

We are currently conducting tours for the **September 2026 Year R intake**. If you know families who are looking for a nurturing and inspiring school, please do **recommend us!**

We are excited to share that **Horsted School now has an Instagram page!** You'll find flyers and updates about **Horsted Hatchlings**, our brand-new nursery opening in **January 2026 and Year R places**. We will also be posting these regularly on our **Facebook page** – please **follow, share, and help us spread the word** across the community!

## Harvest Festival

At this time of year, we take a moment to reflect on the importance of harvest and the value of sharing with others. It's a chance to show kindness and generosity to those who may be facing difficult times.

We're looking forward to our **Harvest Festival assembly**, which will be led by **Year 4** on **Tuesday 14th October at 9.00am**. We warmly invite **Year 4 parents** to join us for this special event. This year, we'll be supporting **Caring Hands**, a charity that helps people in crisis work towards independent living. Sadly, many children are affected by homelessness, which is the focus of their Harvest appeal this year. **Your donations will make a real difference.**

## Playground Safety Reminder

For the safety of all our children and families, **bikes, scooters, and balance bikes must not be ridden on the playground.**

Our playground can be very busy, especially at the beginning and end of the school day. Riding in this space increases the risk of accidents or collisions, particularly with younger children. By walking bikes and scooters to the gates, we help keep everyone safe and avoid unnecessary injuries.

Have a fabulous weekend.

Sarah Steer

Headteacher.

## Upcoming Dates

### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

Yr 4 Swimming

### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

Yr 4 Swimming

### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

Yr 4 Swimming

### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October**

Yr 4 Harvest Festival

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

Yr R Welly Wednesday

Yr 2 Harvest Festival

### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Last day of Term 1

### **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

Staff Development Day

### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

Back to School

Term 2

Year 3 Trip to Brogdale Farm

### **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Parents Evening

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

Parents Evening

# Stars of the Week

Striving, Thoughtful, Ambitious, Resilient, Supportive

Grasshoppers: **Rowan**  
 Honeybees: **Avneet**  
 Butterflies: **Jonathan**  
 Hundred Acre Wood: **Connie**  
 Paddington Station : **Alexandra**  
 Neverland: **Lila-Rose**  
 Narnia: **Palvish**

Caterpillars: **Robyn**  
 Dragonflies: **Arthur**  
 Ladybirds: **Thea**  
 Wonderland: **Evie**  
 Far Away Tree: **Joshua**  
 Middle Earth: **Jaiveer**  
 Hogwarts: **Owen**

## 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: 96.6%

Juniors: 96.5%

### Year group attendance

Year R: 98.8%

Year 1: 93.8%

Year 2: 97.3%

Year 3: 95.8%

Year 4: 95.1%

Year 5: 98.5%

Year 6: 96.6%

### Infant class champions

Ladybirds 98.5%

### Junior class champions

Far Away Tree 98.6%

### House Points

Total points for this week

Amherst: 65

Bridgewood: 69

Clarence: 62

Delce: 56

Total Points so far

Amherst: 3016

Bridgewood: 3082

Clarence: 2961

Delce: 2735



1<sup>st</sup> Place: **Olivia**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: **Callum**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: **Lara**

Year 2 TTROCKSTARS winners:

First place: **Daniel S**

Second place: **Dexter M**

Third place: **Thea J**



Winning House:

**Clarence**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: **Ayomiposi**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: **Adam B**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: **Frazer**

# Dates for Academic Year 2025/2026

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025– 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Year 4 Swimming**

## **Term 1**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Yr 4 Harvest Festival

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Yr R Welly Wednesday

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Yr 2 Harvest Festival

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October – End of Term

## **Autumn Break**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

## **Term 2**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October - Staff Development Day**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Back to School**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Yr 3 trip to Brogdale Farm

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November - Individual and Sibling Photographs

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
Yr R and Yr 6 Weight and Height

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Yr R Welly Wednesday

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term**

Happy Christmas

## **Christmas Break**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

## **Term 3**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Back to School**