



Horspath Church of England Primary School  
Blenheim Road, Horspath, OXFORD OX33 1RY  
Tel/Fax 01865 872702  
email: [office.3161@horspath.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3161@horspath.oxon.sch.uk)  
Acting Headteacher: Mr Scott Lewis  
Chair of Governors: Mrs. Munaza Dogar

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Apologies for not communicating that there wouldn't be a family assembly on Monday. The snow on Friday put pay to any chance of the classes being able to prepare! Normal service will resume on Monday.

Yesterday was Safer Internet Day 2019, a great opportunity to remind all children and families about staying safe when using the internet. Below are two links that I'd thoroughly recommend all parents to have a look at in the near future.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2019/education-packs/activities-parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

New apps and websites are coming out all the time and it's important to have as much information as possible about them. This link is a great place to start:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

### **Goodbyes**

The school and community will say goodbye to Emma Pennington this week. Emma has been a tremendous servant to the school in her roles of vicar and as a foundation governor. The children and staff will be saying goodbye to her in an assembly tomorrow

Unfortunately, we will be saying goodbye to Vicky Gersok next Thursday. In her four and a half years at Horspath she has had a significant impact on so many children from Acorn to Willow. We also say goodbye to Ashley Hackett, who is leaving us after two years working part time in our school office.

Ashley is moving on to a school in the city for a new challenge and I'm sure you will all join me in wishing them both every success in the future. They will both be missed greatly.

We will not be continuing with Mrs Gersok's early morning interventions after half term. Instead the children will receive targeted 1:1 or small group support from another adult at times throughout the normal school day.

## News from the PTA

The Christmas activities raised over £2000 which is an amazing amount. Thanks to all who generously gave their time and money to make the events such a success. The money raised will have contributed to the coaches to the pantomime and hire of the equipment for the school play.

Thank you to everyone for bringing their donations to the Bag2School collection. The amount raised totalled £76.

We are having a **Valentines cake sale** on **Friday 15th February** after school. All donations of cakes will be gratefully received.

If anyone would like to help with fundraising activities during the school year, please get in touch via the school office and we will be in touch.

I hope you all have a lovely week.

Many Thanks

Scott Lewis  
Acting Head teacher

## Diary Dates

KS2 SATs parents meeting	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 3:15pm
Heights and Weights check only)	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February (Acorn & Willow Yr6)
Parents evening	4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> March
Book week	4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> March
World Book day	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
Class photos	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March
Junior Citizens	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March am (Year 6)
Red Nose Day	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March
Music Assembly	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Vision screening	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March (Acorn only)
Topic display	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Easter Service	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

