



# The Lower Halstow News

Lower Halstow/Newington CEP Schools Federation

Autumn Term      January 2018  
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Welcome back to Term 3. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

## Staff News

We would like to welcome Mrs Lundie to our team, she will be teaching in Hawthorn class. We would also like to give our congratulations to Mrs Yates who is expecting her first baby in May. Miss Smeeton will continue to work with Mrs Mills in Acorns class this term

## Clubs

Clubs have now started for this term. Mrs Buxton's Key Stage 2 Dance Club will recommence on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February and letters have been sent out about this.

## Safer Internet Day- 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018

The children will be working on aspects of Internet Safety in their classes on this day and throughout the week. We ask that you reinforce the message "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you" at home. Further information can be found at:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018/sid-tv-2018/sid-2018-tv-digital-parenting-film-parents-and-carers>

## Cold weather and School Closure

Please ensure your child brings a clearly named coat, hat, gloves and scarf in to school every day as appropriate. In case of school closure we will text parents and put information onto our website if the school is closed or partially closed due to snow/bad weather.

## Parents Evening

Parents evenings will be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February the sign-up sheets will be available from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January in the school office.

## PE Kit

Please ensure that your child/children have a full and named PE kit in school at all times. We would appreciate it if children did not wear earrings on their class' PE day.

## Parking and the Access Road

Please be careful when parking in the roads around the school ensuring that you are not blocking the drives of local residents. Please also ensure that you do not park or drop off children in the access road.

## Playground and Pond Area

We have had reports of a few children playing around by the pond at the end of the day. Please ensure that your children are not playing around the back of the school, near the pond, Willow or Hawthorn classrooms before or after school.

## Class Assemblies Reminder- 9:10am

The dates for the remaining class assemblies are as follows:  
Beech - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
Willow - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
Hawthorn -Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
Rowan - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
Acorns - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## Dates:

### January

4      Start of Term 3  
11     Swimming Starts Year 5 (Group 1- Beech)  
26     Beech Class Assembly 9:10 am

### February

2      Mid-year reports sent home  
6      Safer Internet Day  
6      Parents Evening 3.40 - 6.00 pm  
8      Parents Evening 5.00 - 7.30 pm  
9      Inset Day 3 and **End of Term 3**  
19     Start of Term 4

We welcome comments on how to make our school a better school for our children and are happy to meet parents/carers at mutually convenient times.

Our newsletter can also be seen at

[www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk](http://www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk)

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