



The Lower Halstow News

Lower Halstow/Newington CEP Schools Federation

Spring Term March 2018
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I would like to thank all parent/carers for their patience and understanding during the period of disruption due to the snow. As you are aware the school tries to fulfil its statutory duty to remain open and adhere to the government message of how important it is to keep schools open, wherever possible, as closures have a knock on effect on parents/carers ability to go to work; many of whom will be key workers in other areas of the public sector. We do wish to stress, however that it is the parent/carers decision whether they wish to send their child to school and if the decision is to do so the school will make every attempt to provide as normal a day as possible. The curriculum and learning are hampered by the number of teaching staff available, but the expectation is that children will undertake activities in a safe learning environment and these may vary from the daily routine. We have been fortunate, in recent years, weather wise, and it would be wonderful if, in the future, snow arrived during holiday time for all to enjoy.

Parking and the Access Road

We have had reports from the Parish Council that a few vehicles have been reported for parking on the Zig Zag lines at the bottom of the access road to the school. The safety of our children is paramount so we will be monitoring this and reporting any vehicles parked illegally to the Police. Please do not park or drop off children in the access road and take care when parking in the roads around the school.

Sports Relief Week

Miss Rockingham has organised some fun activities during Sports Week for the children. We will also be selling wristbands for £1 each and having a Sporty own clothes day to raise funds on Friday 19th March.

More information about Sports Relief can be found at <https://www.sportrelief.com>

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.

Easter Church Service

Our Easter Service will take place at 10 am on Wednesday 28th March and not on the last day of term, this is due to the availability of the clergy. Term 4 will finish on Thursday 29th March at 3:30pm.

£200 HSBC donation

We would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Hart whose weekly reading sessions with the children earned her a £200 donation for the school. We felt it only right to spend this money on books so Mrs Yates has now placed an order.

Class Assemblies Reminder @ 9:10am

Hawthorn -Friday 27th April 2018

Rowan - Friday 11th May 2018

Acorns - Friday 8th June 2018

Dates:

March

Monday 12th March - Science Week

Monday 19th March - Sports relief Week

Friday 23rd March - Own Clothes Day for Sports Relief

Tuesday 27th March - Music Celebration @2pm

Wednesday 28th March - Easter Church Service @ 10am

Thursday 29th March - End of Term 4 @ 3:30pm

April

Monday 16th April - Start of term 5

Monday 23rd April - Bikeability YEAR 5 pupils only

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

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