



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September

# Newsletter

## Diary Dates

There will be SESMA karate taster sessions for all children at Mill lane this week. These will take place during the day.

### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September

SEN parent drop in at Holt Road with Mrs Porter – 8.30am – 10am  
Keyboard/piano lessons at Mill Lane

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September

Music lessons at Holt Road  
Drum lessons at Mill Lane

### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Swimming for 34P

### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Nebula Cross Country Event for selected children at Mill Lane

## Norse Lunch Menu

### Holt Road

Please find attached to the newsletter (via email for all parents and paper version for Holt Road) a lunch order form. We ask parents of Holt Road children to complete this order form every three weeks to help us ensure we have the correct meals for the children. If these are filled out and returned promptly it makes life a lot easier for the children to know what meal they should be having each day.

### Mill Lane

We have introduced coloured wristbands at Mill Lane to help ensure the older children are getting the meals they are ordering. Please can we remind you that the children need to pay for their meals each day. If your child forgets their money we will issue them with a payment slip so the amount can be repaid to school.

### Special menu days

As usual Norse will be running some special menu days, including a Batman themed one later this term. More information about this will follow shortly.

## Welcome Back!

Hello and welcome back to the start of another school year. If your child has just started with us in Reception, or any of our other year groups, we hope you and your child have settled into the routines of life at Horsford CE VA Primary School. For those of you that have returned, we hope it hasn't been too much of a shock to the system getting back into the habits of the school run!

Thank you for preparing your child for the term. The children all look lovely and smart and are generally arriving at school on time. On that note, please can we remind you that the school day starts at 8.55am on both sites. Children are allowed into the buildings from 8.45am to allow time for you to drop children at both sites if you need to. Please can we ask you to make sure that you ring school before 9am each day that your child is ill. We will have to make contact with you if we do not know why your child is absent from school.

## Mill Lane Car Park System

For those of you new to our Mill Lane site we thought we would outline how the car park works to ensure it runs as safely as possible. We operate a one way system, with cars entering from the first gate as you approach from Holt Road. Please park in the marked bays first (you may also use the gravel car park at the far end of the car park) and then use the left hand parking lane. Please do not leave too much space between the cars so enough visitors can fit in. If you enter the car park and find all the spaces full please continue through on the right hand driving lane and find a space out on Mill Lane rather than waiting and blocking the entrance gate. There are double yellow lines just inside the gate for this reason. By doing this cars then queue back up Mill Lane and block the pedestrian crossing making it dangerous for children to cross. Please trust us when we say that the car park does empty relatively quickly so if you do park in a bay and get blocked in by someone in the parking lane you won't be there for long. Having said that please be considerate to others and if you need to speak to a member of staff try not to park in the parking lane as this will block others in who want to leave straight away. Finally please do not drive in through the out gate (even if you are trying to park in the disabled bays) as this could cause an accident.

Thank you for all of your patience and consideration when using our car park; it is a luxury that many schools do not have. It would be a shame for us to close it off because it has become too dangerous for us to use.

### After school clubs' noticeboard

All clubs run until 4pm at Holt Road and 4.20pm at Mill Lane

Day	Holt Road	Mill Lane
Monday		
Tuesday	Dodgeball	
Wednesday		
Thursday	Art	Street Dance
Friday		

### Keeping In Touch

As it is the start of a new school year we thought we would remind you of the different ways you can keep up to date with what is going on here at Horsford CE VA Primary School and how you can contact us if you need to.

### Facebook/Twitter

For up to date information on events happening at school and with photos being displayed afterwards please head to our Facebook/twitter pages. We tend to use these platforms to remind you of events and give you information on school closures etc. as it is a quick way to let you know what is happening.

### School website

This is where we store long term information such as our curriculum maps, policies and safeguarding information. We also store our weekly newsletters and letters on here so you have access to them throughout the year.

### School Offices

If you need to make an appointment with a member of staff please either visit the school offices or email [office@horsford.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@horsford.norfolk.sch.uk) and it will be forwarded on to the person. Our phone numbers are:

Holt Road: 01603 898348

Mill Lane: 01603 897938

The office is manned from 8.30-4.30pm.



## PTA News

Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM yesterday evening. We would like to say a huge thank to Sue Smith who has stepped down as Chair this year. She did a wonderful job of leading the PTA last year and her efforts and enthusiasm will be greatly missed.

Following the meeting, the committee now has joint Chairs Chloe and Cassie Green. The Secretary will be chosen on a meeting by meeting basis and the Treasurer Tracy Burke remains. If you would like to take on the role of Secretary this year, please contact Chloe or Cassie or drop into the office at either school.

There will be a coffee morning at the Social Club on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> September after morning school drop off. It is open to all parents with children at the school, so please come along to meet the new committee and other parents over a cuppa. We'd love to meet you all!

## Collective Worship

The first Open the Book session this year was about Saul. It was not long after Jesus had been crucified. Saul was against Jesus and arrested anyone who followed Jesus after he had died. One day Saul was going to Damascus when he saw a bright light and heard a voice. The voice was Jesus and It told Saul that he had been chosen to tell people about Jesus. At first people were not keen to work with Saul but Jesus' spirit told them not to be afraid.

The story teaches us that it is possible to change the way we behave. Christians believe that God gives us a second chance.

The story can be found in the New Testament book of Acts, Chapter 9.

