Friday 24th February

Diary Date

Monday 27th February Keyboard/piano lessons at Mill Lane

Tuesday 28th February Music lessons at Holt Road

Wednesday 1st March

Drum lessons at Mill Lane Year 5 Boys football match vs OLD CATTON (home) 6-8pm - Years 3-6 disco at Mill Lane

Thursday 2nd March Year 5 Boys football match vs FALCON (away)

Friday 3rd March Parent Reading - 8.45am - 8.55am - Year R, 1&2 4.30-6pm - Year R-1 disco at Holt Road 6-7.30pm – Year 1-2 disco at Holt Road

After school clubs' noticeboard All clubs run until 4pm at Holt Road and 4.20pm at Mill Lane		
Day	Holt Road	Mill Lane
Monday		Sesma
Tuesday	Dodgeball	Expressive Arts
Wednesday		Singing Dance
Thursday	Singing	Mathletics
Friday		



Attendance Award

Well done to Angelo class who have had 100% attendance this week!

This week's certificate winners are:

Finley Yeo, Dexter Jeeves, Jake Cook, Erin Everson, Bobby Stewart, Benas Gudalis, Sonny McKenzie, Daisy Bull, Harrison McKinney, Katelyn Bone, Charlie Hawkins, Harry Keeler, Marco Wilkin, Callum Pearce, Lily Soanes, Joshua Stone, Karrah Hales, Jimmy Oliver, Evie Locke, Xander Didwell, Jessica Prior, Jake Luongo and Jordan Grapes

Just a note..... **Poetry Reading Week**

Reception and Year 1 were visited by Sarah Gallagher from Story Stack earlier in the week. They took part in a drama activity which linked with their poem "Ten things you find in a Wizard's pocket" and they got to make their own books. At the time of writing this we are eagerly awaiting the rap poet Karl Nova to come and share his poems with Years 2-6. We're sure the children will find him amazing! What a shame that Storm Doris made us cancel our orienteering event at Mill Lane on Thursday. The weather looks good for the Year R/1 children's event later this afternoon.

School Uniform

Please can we remind you that children should come to school in the correct uniform which includes school shoes not trainers. We have also noticed that a few children are coming into school with nail varnish on and with dyed hair. Please follow the link below to our website where you can find our prospectus which outlines our policy on uniform, hairstyles and accessories. Thank you for continuing to ensure your children look smart and presentable when they attend school.

http://www.horsfordprimaryschool.co.uk/assets/Uploads/Prospectus.pdf

Parking

This week we have sent home a letter from the Police's Safer Neighbourhood Team (please see the newsletters and updates section of our website if you did not get a copy of this). We are still finding that car users are not abiding by the road laws inside our Mill Lane site car park. Please can we remind you that there is a one way system in place, which means that cars should not be driving in the "OUT" gate, and that there are double yellow lines through the entrance which means you should not be waiting or parking within that area. By doing so it blocks the entrance which means cars cannot drive through and round to find a space to park, or to drive all the way round if there are no spaces free. We have had a lot of car park users complain about this and how dangerous it can then be if cars are queuing out of the entrance due to the crossing just outside the gate. Unfortunately we cannot provide a car park attendant to monitor this system, we have to rely on car users to abide by the road laws. Please can we all help to ensure that our car park works safely for everyone. Thank you.

Spare clothing

If you have any items of spare clothing such as knickers, pants, trousers, skirts etc that your child has outgrown we would welcome them at our Holt Road site to help when children have accidents and need to change their clothes.

Handwriting scheme

We have recently started trialling an online handwriting resource with our Year 2, 3 and 4 classes. It has proved very successful and so we have signed up these children to allow them to have individual access to the website via usernames and passwords. Your child should have brought home a letter about this earlier in the week with information on how to log on to the site. If you have not received this please see your child's teacher. We have chosen these year groups to trial the scheme and if successful we hope to roll it out across the school later in the year.

Clubs

Sesma martial arts club will be starting again on Monday 27th February from 3.30-4.15pm. If your child is interested in joining the club please see Mrs Clarke in the Mill Lane office for an application form. It is £18 for a 5 week course. Those children who have already signed up should have brought a note home.

Church News

We were very pleased to welcome Reverend Margaret McPhee to both sites this week. Reverend Margaret introduced herself to our children and discussed the purpose of Collective Worship and our theme this half term; Service.

During Open the Book this week the team told the story of Moses and the Burning Bush as told in the book of Exodus. In the story God appoints Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt into Canaan. The events in this story help the children to see that sometimes people may ask you to do things because they think you can do it, even though you may not. The Open the Book team's message this week was "Be Brave!"



"The Burning Bush" Exodus chp 3 v 1-15



PTA News

Discos

Don't forget that next week we will be holding our termly discos. As usual the cost will be £2 per child. Snacks are available from 20p each. Years R-1 – Friday 3rd March – 4.30-6pm Years 1-2 – Friday 3rd March – 6-7.30pm Years 3-6 – Wednesday 1st March – 6-8pm

PTA Meeting

Our next PTA meeting is on Monday 27th February at 6.45pm at Mill Lane. We will be finalising arrangements for the Easter Fayre so would welcome as many people to attend as possible.

Easter Fayre

We are hoping to run a **bottle tombola** during the Easter Fayre this year and are looking for donations of any items that would be suitable. Any toiletries, wine, food related items and any other unopened bottle type gifts would be gratefully received.

Thank you for the donations of **Easter Eggs** we have received so far – keep those coming to help us create a wonderful Easter Egg stall on the day!

Thank you to those children who have returned their **brown bag** to school. Each child should have been given one of these, which we would like them to fill with anything they think another child might like to receive as a prize/gift. We will be using these to run a stall similar to the jam jar one we ran at Christmas. This was hugely successful last year and helped to raise significant funds for the school. We would like the children to decorate the front of the bag in whatever they wish to help their bag stand out on the stall.

Ladies Night 80s disco

Tickets are now on sale through either office or Chloe and Cassie Green for this event on Saturday 13th May.

If you are able to offer help to the PTA please contact our chair Sue Smith via email at <u>horsfordprimarypta@gmail.com</u> or the office at <u>office@horsford.norfolk.sch.uk</u>

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