



Friday 3rd September 2021

Welcome back everyone!

I hope you all had a very lovely summer and were able to get some rest and quality family time. I personally felt it flew by and I know many of you felt the same this morning.

It was wonderful to see everyone back in school today, smiling and happy to be back. The children have been buzzing with all their news this morning of their summer stories and it's been great to hear about many of their adventures.

Over the last two days I have had the pleasure of taking my first worship sessions in the school hall. It seems crazy when I have been at the school since January. For our Year 1 children it was their first worship in the hall and they did so well. It's been lovely to get back to some sense of normality. Lunchtimes have seen KS2 mix back together on the front playground and KS1 on the back playground. Seeing the children mix again was quite emotional – I know they enjoyed it!



We are of course remaining vigilant too. We will be encouraging good hygiene, keeping classrooms well ventilated and staff have resumed twice weekly testing. I would continue to ask you keep yourselves as safe as possible and keep children off if they have any symptoms. Cases in Scotland have risen since children returned two weeks ago and I imagine this will be the case in England too. If we work together I hope we can keep Covid at bay!

Have a lovely weekend! Stay safe!

Mrs Smith - Head Teacher

*God's Word is a lamp to guide our feet
and a light for our path.
Inspired by Psalm 119:105*

PE at Orsett!

Class teachers should have let the children and yourselves know what their PE days are via Marvellous me. They are also listed below. All PE sessions for Years 1-6 start next week. Mr Foster will let Reception parents know when they will begin PE.

Reception - Mondays

Year 1 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 2 – Thursday and Friday

Year 3 – Monday and Thursday

Year 4 – Monday and Thursday

Year 5 – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6 – Tuesday and Thursday

These may change throughout the year but class teachers will let you know each half term.

On PE days children can wear their PE kits to school. Children should be in our new PE kits as outlined last year – see below for more details.



Letters home this week

Important letters are on our website or class pages and a quick links to these are available on Marvellous Me

*** Year 6 – Phones in school**

**Year 6 Important letter regarding
applying for a place in Secondary school**

PE kit – reminder

A letter outlining our new PE kit for this year was sent last year as well as many reminders on the school newsletter but just in case you haven't seen this please see below.

We have a new blue sports top with our new logo. This will replace the coloured house T-shirts which we would ask are not worn anymore. This should be worn with black bottoms – shorts, skirt or sports leggings. Joggers in colder weather are also allowed to be worn. This has all been updated on the school website. Don't forget our new sports jacket too – which is optional. Some children were wearing them today and they looked fantastic!



CHILDREN'S HOBNOB POSTER COMPETITION

**3 Categories for children
in set age groups
on 15th September 2021**

**THE THEME IS:
REDUCE, REUSE,
RECYCLE &
CARING FOR
GOD'S CREATION**

Competition Rules

The contest is open to children who will be 8 years or under, 9-12 years or 13-16 years of age on September 15th, who live in either Horndon, Orsett or Bulphan or who attend one of our three churches or primary schools. A prize will be awarded to each age group winner.

Artwork must be no smaller than A4 and must not be framed or matted. Applied items are not permitted. All media types are acceptable, but charcoal, chalk and pastel entries must be sealed with a fixative spray to avoid smudging.

Only one entry per child which must be their original individual and unassisted creation.

As entries will be 'blind judged' entrants' details must be entered on the reverse side of the poster, using the label attached. No signature or printing to form a part of the image

Participants and their Parents/Guardian must agree to their names and photographs of their work being used on the Hobnob website and being displayed in church.

Closing date for receipt of entries:
September 15th 2021.

To register your interest please contact:
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