



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Autumn 10

18th November 2022

In this newsletter, find out about:

- **Mrs Gordon's message and school news**
- **Reminders and Notices**
- **Upcoming events**

A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week is anti-bullying week and we have been thinking about that in assemblies and classes. We considered what bullying is, how we can make sure it doesn't happen and who we can speak to if we are worried about bullies. The theme of this year's campaign is 'Reach Out'. The children gave really thoughtful answers to the questions and understood that bullying is more than just a one off incident and how important it is to speak to an adult or a friend if you are worried about bullying. For more information about anti-bullying week follow [this link](#).

Our Year 3 children have been creating some amazing clay pots as part of their art project 'Prehistoric pots'. They have been looking at different pots including Bell beaker pots and have designed and made their own. The results have been excellent. Well done year 3.

In art in year 4 this week the children have been continuing their art project 'warp and weft' and did some rainbow weaving using paper strips. Some children found it really tricky but everyone tried their best.

It was year 4's turn to perform their class assembly today. They taught everyone a lot about the Anglo-Saxons and their ways. They looked fantastic in their costumes and impressed the audience with their singing. Well done Mr Ward-Penny and Year 4!

Year 2 had a very interesting morning on Thursday when they visited the Pallant House art gallery. They have been learning about portraits in art and focused on all of the different styles of portrait at the museum. They were fascinated with what they saw and members of the public commented on how engaged they were in their activities as well as how well behaved they were. We look forward to seeing their own gallery of portraits soon.

It was the turn of the Year 5 and 6 boys to play in a football tournament this week. Once again they made a great team effort and had excellent attitude. They played hard but fair and had a good sporting attitude throughout.

They won 2, lost 2 and drew 2. Hugo scored 4 goals and only 1 goal was let in for the whole tournament.

We are very proud of you all- congratulations!

Thank-you to everyone who has brought in donations for the Christmas fair today. We now have lots of things for the tombolas and for the other stalls- it promises to be a great event. We have been preparing our windows for the advent window walk- thank-you Mrs Ayling for all of your help.

Thank-you again to everyone who bought poppies last week. As a school we raised £180.81.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Year 5/6 Boys football tournament



Year 4 at the Weald and Downland













Year 4 assembly









Year 3 have a go at making some pots











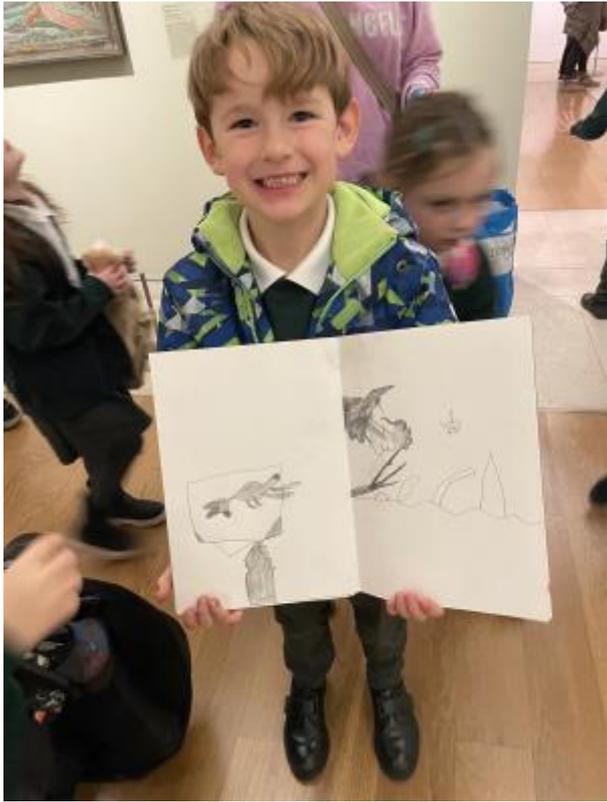
Year R make their advent window

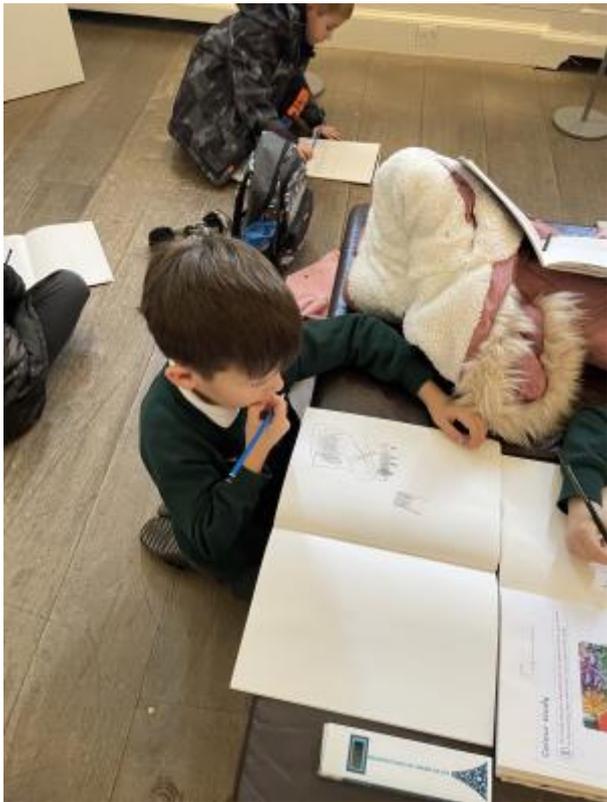




Year 2 visit Pallant House

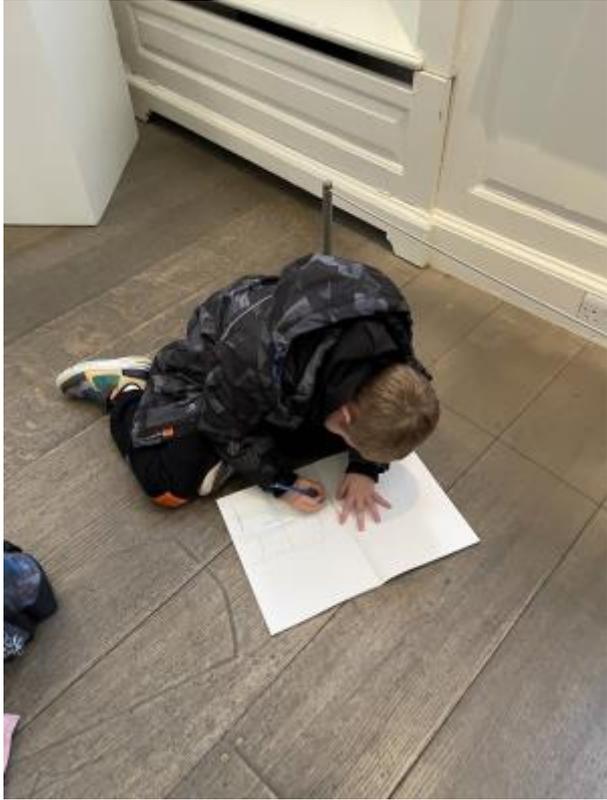














Reminders and Notices



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PE Day Thursday 24th November

We are having a whole school PE training day on Thursday 24th November. Please could all children come to school in PE kit on that day.

Christmas Fair 25th November

The Fair is next Friday, please come along with your friends and family to start your festive season this year. Details below in the PTA letter. Fingers crossed the weather will be fine., we are sure it will be a fun event.

ECO Council- plastic free week

Our Eco council have been busy clearing leaves and helping out around the school. They met this week and came up with lots of good ideas to improve our school environment. One suggestion is that we have a plastic free lunchbox week. This will be the week of 16-20 January to give everyone time to think about alternatives to the plastic wrapping and packaging that we use normally.

Celebrate your culture day

On **Wednesday 23rd November** we are having a whole school focus on our own cultural heritage. It is an opportunity for all of the adults and children in our school to share an aspect of their own cultural heritage. It would be great if you could help your child to prepare something to bring in, talk about, share or wear that reflects an aspect of their own cultural heritage. This could be linked to a country, race, religion, language or geographical region.

Hunston Warm Space

Hunston parish council and other members of the local community are opening up a 'Warm Space' from next Monday 14th November. This will be at Hunston Community club and will give anyone in the local community a warm safe space to come to. It gives people the chance to meet up with others, have a cuppa and is a free welcoming space to come to in these challenging economic times. See the poster below for more details. If you or anyone you know is interested and would like more details, please ask at the school office.

Hunston Events

As part of our local community, we would like to encourage families to take part in the events happening in Hunston in the build up to the festive period. On Sunday 27th November there will be a Christmas market and on 16th December there is an advent trail that you can take part in. See below for more details.

Thank-you for your support in all these matters.



'LIGHT-UP HUNSTON'

Advent Winter Windowland Trail FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER FROM 6.30PM

Festive lights and snowy scenes, sparkly stars and Christmas elves...use your creativity and imagination to decorate a festive window in your home for all to see. Together we can create a magical Winter Windowland by 'Lighting-Up Hunston'.

Then on **Friday 16th December**, children and their families can go out on a lovely evening winter walk (following on from the 'Carols By The Christmas Tree' event @6pm), viewing all the impressive displays on show.

1. Pick-up a trail map from Hunston Village Stores or at the at Carols By The Christmas Tree' event
2. Find ALL 24 letters on our special advent windows around the village to solve the anagram (to be one of our special 24 advent windows, please contact Hunston Village Stores).
3. Present the correct anagram at Hunston Community Club to receive your special end-of-trail treat!

For those of you who would not like to take part in the trail, the Hunston Community Club will be **open from 6.30pm** to help kick start the festive period with some mince pies and mulled wine!



[Open from 14 November](#)

Monday 10am-4pm | Wednesday 10am-4pm | Friday 10am-3pm



The Hunston Community Club will be opening its doors this winter to provide a warm space and a warm welcome to all residents of Hunston and North Mundham.



We hope that this will help with heating bills and provide a comfortable space and an opportunity to meet others.

Light refreshments will be available.

An initiative by Hunston Parish Council, Community Club and St Leodegar's Church

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North Mundham Primary School Advent Windows & Christmas Fair

Friday 25th November 3.30-5.30pm

It's now just two weeks to go until this year's Christmas fundraising event and we would love your help to make it a success. Money raised last year benefitted the school in so many ways, trips for classes subsidised, additional treats for parties & visits from outside providers such as Rainbow Theatre. The PTA also subsidises swimming lessons for Year 3; provides goodies for the Christmas lunch; an Easter Egg hunt and the Year 6 leaver's hoodies.

Each year the children are collectively involved in deciding where the profits raised would be best utilised. This year the children and staff have decided that they would like any fundraising to go towards improving our small group and play therapy room. We have noticed an increase in need in our school community for play therapy and 1-1 support for children after the pandemic. Currently our small group room is quite run down we would love to raise funds to create safe and nurturing space for the children to develop social and emotional skills so that they may return to class 'ready to learn'.

This year's raffle prizes so far include

So with all that said.... here's how you can help:

☑ Sell the Raffle tickets

Only 50p each and you have the chance to win some amazing prizes! This year's raffle prizes so far include

2 x Tickets for Chichester Festival Youth Theatre's production of The Wind & The Willows, £40 voucher for

The Walnut Tree, £15 voucher for The Entertainer, £10 voucher for The Barn Little London & a Runcton Farm Shop veg hamper, to name a few! Tickets are being sent home today, along with this letter. Please return all the raffle tickets (including any unsold tickets) to school office by **Thursday 24th November (day before the fair)** at the latest. If you would like any extra books to sell at your place of work/local pub etc please contact the school office.

• Donate a Raffle Prize

Do you own a company, or could your place of work donate a prize to go into the Raffle Draw? The raffle always raises a lot of money and depend upon the fabulous prizes that our generous school community donates. We have received gift vouchers, event tickets, hampers, haircuts, doggy care and grooming



vouchers – everything is very much appreciated. If you can donate a prize, please complete the slip at the end of this letter and give it to the school office as soon as possible.

- **Bring a donation on non-uniform day - Friday 18th November**

Donate a gift for the Christmas Fair, in return for wearing non-school uniform.

Years R & 1:	Teddies. Please ensure that these are clean & in good condition.
Year 2 & 3:	Chocolate Tombola e.g. individually wrapped chocolate bars or small boxes of chocolates, bags of fun-sized chocolate bars
Years 4 & 5:	Bottles for the Bottle Tombola e.g. wine, fizz, beer, soft drinks etc.
Year 6:	Small wrapped sweets to use as prizes for all the games e.g Swizzels, Maoam etc

- **Helping Hands at the Fair – Friday 25th November**

Half an hour of your time (help from family members always appreciated too!), setting up during the day or helping to run a stall makes a HUGE difference. We need lots and lots of helpers to run stalls so please sign up to the time that best suits you. It is a lot of fun and there is always a plentiful supply of tea and biscuits to keep us going.

The Choir will have 2 performances. KS1 (Class R, 1 & 2) at 3:35- 4pm & KS2 (Classes 3,4, 5 & 6) at 4:00 4:14pm. If you would like to see them perform, please choose a slot that doesn't clash with this. Please complete the Helping Hands Promise slips and return them to school anytime but before Friday 18th November.

- **Santa's Grotto Bookings**

We have managed to secure a visit from Father Christmas, so the children will be able to visit him in his Grotto at the fair & receive a gift! Please fill in the slip attached with your preferred ½ hr time slot and return with £2 to the school office. We will then allocate everyone a slot within their preferred ½ hr and hand out time slips with your grotto time before the day.

ADVENT WINDOWS & CHRISTMAS FAIR COUNTDOWN SUMMARY FOR YOUR CALENDARS:

Activity	Due Date
Helping Hands Promise Slip	Friday 18 th November (or before)
Non-Uniform Day/Class Donations	Friday 18 th November
Santa's Grotto Booking Slip	Friday 18 th November (or before)
Raffle Prize Donations	Promise slips asap. Please bring donations by morning of 25 th Nov
Raffle stubs and collection money to be returned to school office	Thursday 24 th November
Day helpers to arrive to set up stalls, label prizes	Friday 25 th November from 13:00pm
Helpers to arrive to run a stall	Friday 25 th November 3.20pm
All to come to the fair and enjoy all the festivities! 😊	Friday 25 th November 3.30-5.30pm

Thank you very much for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at this year's Christmas fundraiser.... North Mundham Primary School's Advent Windows & Christmas Fair.

Eternally grateful – your PTA Committe



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SLIPS TO RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE

Helping Hands Promise Slip - Set Up During the Day

Name & Contact Number	I am available for other duties anytime prior to the event	Set up at school from 1.00pm (or specify a time)	Pack down from 5:30pm

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Helping Hands Promise Slip - Help Manning a Stall

Name & Contact Number	3.30 – 4.00pm	4.00 – 4.30pm	4.30 – 5.00pm	5.00 – 5.30pm

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Company /Place of Work Raffle Prize Promise – please return asap

My company/my place of work will provide a donation for the Christmas Fair Raffle

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Donation: _____



Santa's Grotto Bookings – please tick your preferred time slot & return to the school office with £2 (per child)

Name of child/children	3.30 – 4.00pm	4.00 – 4.30pm	4.30 – 5.00pm	5.00 – 5.30pm



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Dates for the diary



- 21st November - YR puppet workshop
- 23rd November- celebrate your culture day
- 23rd November- Cut off date for completing online flu vaccination form
- 25th November - Year 3 Class assembly
- 25th November- Christmas fair
- 28th November - In school Flu vaccinations
- 28th November - 11am KS1 choir singing at The Cross
- 28th November - last swimming for Year 3

29th November- year 3/4 choir singing at The Cross -4pm

30th November - Year 5 trip to Planetarium Winchester- see separate letter

30th November Year 5/6 choir singing at The Cross

2nd December- year 5/6 NSPCC Stay safe workshops

5th December 9.30am KS1 production dress rehearsal and opportunity to bring pre-school siblings

6th and 7th December at 2pm KS1 production (no pre-school siblings)- 2 tickets per child for each performance (years 1 and 2)

7th December 9.30am Year R dress rehearsal for siblings to watch and parents to bring pre-school siblings

8th December 2pm year R production (no pre-school siblings)- 4 tickets per child.

13th December KS2 disco- more details to follow

14th December- Christmas lunch

15th December church service.

16th December- final day of term

Please note that more dates will be added in future newsletters.

INSET Days 2022-2023

(All INSET days are either at the beginning or end of a school holiday, we ask that you take advantage of these for family holidays or long weekends and DO NOT book holidays in term time.)

20th February 2023

26th May 2023

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