



# NORTH HINKSEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 5TH MARCH 2021

TERM 4 VALUE: COMPASSION

## SCHOOL UPDATES

### Return to School

We are really looking forward to having all children back in school on Monday 8th March. We know some children are feeling a little nervous about the return but we are sure as soon as they are back into the routine of their class and the school day they will begin to feel more confident.

We are very aware that this lockdown has given us all a very different experience. We continue to see that we are a kind and supportive school community and this has shone through, despite the extensive challenges many of you have faced at home and we have faced in school. Upon the return to school our highly skilled staff will be firstly focusing on supporting children to settle back into routines and build up their friendship and social skills, as we know break and social times are likely to be challenging for some children to start with. Alongside this staff will be using their training and knowledge about pedagogy to identify gaps and prioritise appropriate learning, as they always do. We believe our children deserve to know they are going to flourish and achieve and not become a 'lost generation'. We are under no illusions that this is going to be challenging for us all and in some cases it will take time, but we will get there.

Thank you to those families who completed the return to school questionnaire. This has helped staff be more aware of issues and concerns, as well as successes, and plan to build on these from Monday.

As noted in the Parentmail regarding the return to school, we would really appreciate your support with reminding your child/children about school expectations

*Speak politely to each other*

*Demonstrate good manners*

*Walk around the school quietly and calmly*

*Respect property belonging to others, including school property and the building*

*Listen to and follow instructions first time*

*Take action if another person is upset or sad*

*Play with each other in a friendly and safe manner*

*Wash hands when asked to do so*

*Refrain from spitting.*

Finally, please [click here](#) to read a letter from the CEO of ODST regarding the return to school for all children.

## **Celebration Assembly by Mrs Keyte**

Please [click here](#) to watch the celebration assembly for this week.

## **Bookshelves Achievements**

Silver— Juan (6), Conrad (6)

Gold—Finlay (6), Struan (1)

## **SEND Parents Support Group**

For those of you new to the school or with recent concerns about your child/children, you might like to know there is a SEND Parents Support Group formed of families with children at North Hinksey School. It was first formed a couple of years ago to support each in other finding ways to support our children as best we can, share tips and experiences and discuss provision within the funding environment the school is currently in. The group is open to all - those who have children with a SEND diagnosis, those who don't or those who work in the area. If you are interested in joining, please get in touch with one of us below and we will make sure you receive any future news or invitations. Otherwise, if you would just like to run something by someone please feel free to contact anyone of us below:-

Laura (lauraawetherall@gmail.com)

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## **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

For the latest newsletter from the School Health Nurse Team, please [click here](#).

Club Energy will be running a club at North Hinksey School during the Easter holiday. The club will be open to North Hinksey School pupils only and will run from 9am until 3pm, Monday 12th April to Thursday 15th April inclusive. The cost is £25 per child per day, or £80 per child for all four days\*. All bookings must be made at least one week in advance through ParentMail (Accounts > Club Energy Holiday Club). The club will operate according to the current government Covid-19 guidance for holiday/after-school clubs ([click here](#)) and will be subject to lockdown restrictions easing as per the government Covid-19 Response Spring 2021 Roadmap ([click here](#)). If there are any changes to the guidance, which results in the club not being able to run as planned, any monies paid will be refunded, or can be used in payment for any future clubs. For further information, please email Stuart at Club Energy: [swsportscoaching@live.co.uk](mailto:swsportscoaching@live.co.uk) or phone 07763 736001.

For information about other holiday clubs taking place over the Easter holidays, please [click here](#). If you are considering sending your child to any clubs over Easter, please read the Government 'Guidance for parents and carers of children attending out-of-school settings during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak' (link available on the same page on the website as the list of Easter clubs).

To read the Short Breaks Update for Families with Disabled Children and Young People Update, please [click here](#).

For information about a short story competition for children to take part in, [click here](#).

For information about subsidised sensory packs for children with a confirmed disability or chronic illness, [click here](#).

## DATES

Wednesday 31st March	End of Term 4	1pm
Monday 19th April	Start of Term 5	
During Term 5	Parents' Evenings (virtual)	TBC
Monday 3rd May	Bank Holiday	
Friday 28th May	End of Term 5	Normal time
Tuesday 8th June	Start of Term 6 for children (Monday 7th June is an INSET day)	
Wednesday 9th—Friday 11th June	Year 6 Outward Bound Trust activity days	TBC
W/b 28th June	SEN review meetings	TBC
Wednesday 21st July	End of Term 6	1pm

Term dates for 2020-21 and 2021-22 are available on the school website. Please click [here](#) for a link.