



Ghost Hill Newsletter

18th September 2026

A message from Mrs Westall

We have had lovely week in school. Our Year 1 children enjoyed the day of enrichment from Space Horizons. It was such a hands on day where children showed so much curiosity. Thank you to Friends of School for funding this.

We are in the process of organising a mini intergenerational sports event to be held at Ghost Hill in November. Our Year 2 Sports Leaders will help organise this event. We will be hosting the event for residents from 3 care homes as well as for 10 Year 2 children from Nightingale Infant School. Should be a great event! Our School Council will be visiting Two Acres Care Home on Monday 28th September. An e mail will be sent to the parents of these children next week, with more details.

Please can I remind you that scooters and bikes can't be ridden in the school driveway or school grounds – as we have lots of small children and younger siblings who could get knocked over. It is lovely to see children riding scooters and bikes to school.

Have a lovely weekend.



Curriculum

Maths Memo

New Numbot login details are in children's reading records. Remember 10 minutes a day can make a huge difference! Any questions please ask the class teacher.

'The Teaching of Reading'
Presentation to Parents.
Wednesday 30th Sept. 9am
School Hall
Mrs Westall and Mrs Belson.
All welcome!

What is School Council?

VOTE!

Our Autumn Term School Council

Rabbit
Kingsley and Mollie

Fox
Jasmine and Arthur

Butterfly
Austin and Chloe

Owl
Florence and Riley.

Deer
Nico and Zara

Hedgehog
Ava and Ethan

Two children from each class in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been chosen by children in their class to represent the class as part of the School Council. They will have come home with a School Council badge, to wear every day. New children are chosen each term, so there's lots of opportunity throughout their school life at Ghost Hill. Mrs Westall leads the School Council.

Children on the school council will:

- **Share ideas from their classmates** with teachers and the headteacher.
- **Suggest improvements** for the playground, classrooms, library, or lunch times.
- **Help organise events** such as charity fundraisers, themed days, or school celebrations.
- **Promote kindness and good behaviour** around the school.
- **Welcome new pupils** and help them feel included.
- **Encourage children's voices** so that everyone feels listened to.

How does it work?

- Each class may elect one or two representatives.
- The representatives attend regular meetings with Mrs Westall
- They collect ideas from their classmates before meetings.
- After meetings, they report back to their class about what was discussed.
- They will visit Two Acres Care home 3 or 4 times throughout the term. (a letter will follow about this)

Skills children develop

Being on the school council helps children learn:

- Confidence
- Speaking and listening skills
- Responsibility
- Leadership
- Decision-making

It also links really well to our Character Education curriculum. Promoting, **CURIOSITY, TEAMWORK, COMMUNITY AWARENESS** and **COURAGE**.

A Special Mention from Mrs Westall

Try Hard, be Brave, Be You.



Character virtue - Teamwork, Curiosity, Community Awareness, Honesty, Courage

Well done to Amelie in Deer Class for showing so much curiosity in the History lesson on The Great Fire of London. Amelie asked lots of questions and listened so well throughout the whole lesson.

Ready, Respectful, Safe

FOGH Meeting
Tuesday 6th
October
6pm
School Hall

**Join the Friends of
Ghost Hill**
Everyone welcome!

Help us run fun events
and raise money for the
school.

**GHOST HILL INFANT
AND NURSERY SCHOOL**

We warmly invite you to our
Open Events for September
2027 Reception and Nursery

Ofsted
Outstanding
Provider

**OPEN EVENING
FOR PARENTS AND
CARERS**
**THURSDAY 15TH
OCTOBER**
4PM AND 6PM

OPEN MORNINGS FOR FAMILIES
WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 9.30-10.15AM
TUESDAY 24TH NOV 9.30 - 10:15AM
WEDNESDAY 25TH NOV 9.30 - 10:15AM
TUESDAY 1ST DEC 9.30 - 10:15AM

Please contact the school office to book the open morning.

01603 860334
office@ghosthill.set.education



Sports News

Ghost Hill children have enjoyed beginning their pe units around team work. Nursery and Reception children have settled into their pe lessons well, showing enthusiasm and confidence learning and developing their skills.

We look forward to offering out some staff led active clubs soon for the children and taking some year 2 children to a school sports partnership event based on football at goals!

We will be visited soon by Matt from school sports partnership. Matt will be leading and demonstrating some playground games at lunchtime. Mrs Tubb will also be visiting to take part in the games.

Have a super active weekend,
Mrs Wooltorton and Mrs Everett
PE leads



Sports Star of the week

Our sports star of the week is Jack in Fox class for following the game rules and being a fantastic role model!



Achievements out of school

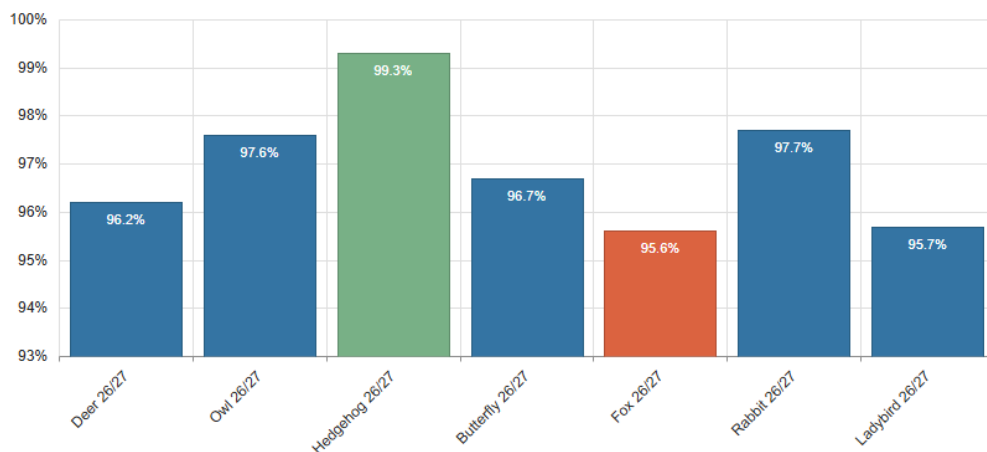


Please send us in your children's achievements big and small. Please email the school office to do this:
office@ghosthill.set.education

Well done to Mia in Owl Class. She has recently joined a local football club and in her second lesson was awarded the weekly trophy for being brave and listening to instructions. Mia is the only girl in a group of 15. This is amazing Mia; well done!



Well done **Hedgehog** class for **99.3 %** attendance this week!!



Ghost Hill infant and Nursery school attendance target is **97%**
Current attendance this week is **97%**

Absence reporting: Always call the school office if your child is not in school for attendance purposes, 01603 860334 and leave a voicemail on the absence line.

Top Tips To Support Attendance

- ✓ Get into good routines: start the year right and make attendance a priority.
- ✓ Show an interest in school and education by going to parents meetings and other school events.
- ✓ Talk about school at home: ask your child what they're learning, how their friends are and how they're getting on. Encourage them to tell you about the good and the bad!
- ✓ Don't let your child take time off school for minor illnesses: particularly those that would not stop you from going to work.
- ✓ Take family holidays during school holiday time only.

If you think or know that your child is having any difficulties, give the school a call to talk about how they can help you and your child.

Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs Westall, Mrs Hamill, Mrs Ferguson

All staff are responsible for safeguarding. The Designated Safeguarding Leads ensure staff are supported and well trained. If you are worried about your own child or another child in school, please talk to one of the designated safeguarding leads.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours; the number to ring is: [CADS](#) – Children's Advice and Duty Service 0344 8008020

Please see **September's Online Newsletter** at the bottom of this newsletter.



Information:

Please ensure push notifications for the my child at school app are switched on.

- All booking and amendments for lunches and wraparound care need to be made 24hrs in advance.
- Please check the information we hold for you is up to date and correct. You can view the information on the data collection tab. Parental consents can also be viewed on the app under the 'parental consents' tab

If you do not have MYCAS and would like access, please speak to Mrs Ferguson in the school office.

Please use the school office email address for any future emails. Office@ghosthill.set.education

Breakfast and After school club contact number

Please be aware breakfast and after school club has its own contact number. Should you need to reach them, please call 01603 558807

Breakfast and Afterschool club sessions are available to book on our 'my child at school' app.

Afterschool clubs.

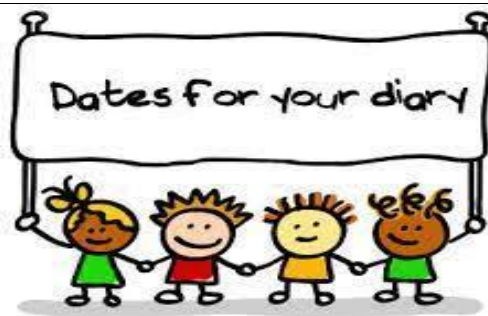
Please see a list below of teacher led clubs for this term. Clubs are available to children in years 1 & 2. Teacher led clubs will run for 6 weeks. Please only book your child on to one afterschool club to give other children the opportunity to attend. Clubs will be available to book on MYCAS from 7pm this evening.
All clubs exit through the main door.

Day	Club	Teacher
Monday 3.20-4.00	Mindfulness Club	Miss Nabarro
Wednesday 3.20-4.00	Indoor Golf Club	Mrs Everett
Wednesday 3.20-4.00	Construction Club	Miss O'Dwyer
Friday 3.20- 4.00	Girls Football	Miss Davies
Friday 3.20- 4.00	Music Club	Mrs Westall

Spaces still available for Jolly Gymnastics. This club is available for children in years 1 & 2.

Please click the link below to book your child's space.

[Bookaby // Jolly Gymnastics Limited](#)



Any dates that are added each week will be highlighted for easy reference.

Wednesday 23 rd September 9am	Parent Focus Group – Transition. All welcome.
Friday 25 th September	Rabbits visiting Reception
Monday 28 th September AM	Care Home Visit – School Council
Wednesday 30 th September 9am	The Teaching of Reading presentation to parents. Mrs Belson and Mrs Westall
Tuesday 6 th October 6pm	Friends of School AGM. All welcome.
Thursday 15 th October 4pm and 6pm	September 2027 NEW INTAKE Open Evening
Monday 19th October - Friday 30th October – 2 week Halfterm	
Tuesday 3 rd November 2.45pm	Parents can visit their child's classroom and look at their books and displays – ahead of parents evening.
Monday 9 th November AM	Care Home Visit – School Council
Tuesday 10th November	Individual & Sibling photos
Tuesday 10 th November 3.30-5pm	Parents Evening
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th November	Antibullying week
Thursday 19 th November 3.30-7pm	Parents Evening
Thursday 3 rd December 9.45am	Reception Christmas Performance to parents. Note: There is only one show to parents for Reception as it has been clear previous years that this is enough for the children.

Monday 7 th December AM	Care Home Visit – School Council
Tuesday 8 th December 9.45am	Year 1 Christmas Performance to parents. Please only come to one of the shows.
Tuesday 8 th December 2.30pm	Year 2 Christmas Performance to parents. Please only come to one of the shows.
Wednesday 9 th December 2.30pm	Year 1 Christmas Performance to parents Please only come to one of the shows.
Thursday 10 th December 9.45am	Year 2 Christmas Performance to parents Please only come to one of the shows.
Wednesday 16 th December 2.30pm	Nursery Christmas Performance to parents
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term.

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Key: White dates - school open to pupils, Yellow dates - pupil holiday, Blue dates - Staff Training (school closed – pupil holiday), Red dates - bank holiday for staff and pupils.

Drayton Junior School Holiday Club – age 4-11. See below.

Here is also a booking link: - [Drayton CofE Junior School – Premier Education](#)

Available for all children from any local school from age 4-11

Premier Education's first holiday club at...

DRAYTON JUNIOR SCHOOL (NR8 6EF)

26th - 29th October (Half Term)

08:30-16:30
(£36 - Full Day)
&
10:00-14:00
(Half Day) £24

20% OFF
Currently only £28.80 if you book before October 1st!

SPORTS

*FOOTBALL *DODGEBALL * BASKETBALL *CRICKET
* BENCHBALL * CAPTURE THE FLAG * GYMNASTICS
AND MORE

ARTS & CRAFTS

Monday - Paper Lanterns
Tuesday - Trick or Treat Basket
Wednesday - Mummy Tissue Game- Can you be the fastest?
Our Most Exciting Activity of the Week
Thursday - Pumpkin Paper Plates

NEED HELP? REACH OUT TO OUR CHILDCARE EXPERIENCE MANAGER FOR SUPPORT

We understand parents may have some questions. Please feel free to email Luke who will support you.
ldickerson@premier-education.com

BOOK TODAY!

HOW TO BOOK!

Scan the QR code and select your dates directly OR head to the Premier Education website. Select parents > holiday clubs > add in your postcode > select the Drayton Holiday Club > book your dates.

premier-education.com

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Kids



Reepham

In Person Workshops

Thursday 17th September

Introduction to Neurodiversity

Thursday 24th September

Behaviour

Thursday 1st October

Demand Avoidance (PDA)

Thursday 8th October

Parental Resilience

10.30am – 12.30pm

The Bircham Centre

Market Place

Reepham

Norwich

NR10 4JJ

Email
sally.macgregor@kids.org.uk for
more info



Scan here to book





What is Muddy Monsters? 🏁

We set up the Muddy Monsters Race Series in 2023, to give children who enjoy riding their bikes, the opportunity to try a fun grassroots cycle race.

Muddy Monsters is a series of off-road races held in public parks in Norwich at weekends. The series is designed specifically for beginners/novice riders who want to take part in local grassroots races.

For 2026, the series comprised of 4 rounds. At each round of the series, U8-14 riders take part in 3 races:

- Sprint race (1 lap of main course)
- Endurance race (multiple laps of main course)

- Skills race (1 lap of skills course)

Riders will score points from each race which are combined to give an overall result for the round.

There will also be a fun U4 Balance Bike category at each round where young riders under the age of 4 will have the opportunity to take part in a sprint race and a skills race.

The remaining rounds of the 2026 series;

- Round #3 - Sunday 13th September (1.00-3.30pm) @ Easton College, Norwich
- Round #4 - Sunday 18th October (1.00-3.30pm) @ Earlham Park, Norwich

The series is now organised by our sister organisation [Green Light Cycling](#) and sponsored by [Little Riders](#).

So if your child enjoys riding their bike and you think they might enjoy taking part in a fun race, enter them into one of the upcoming rounds today! www.littleriders.co.uk/muddymonsters/