

Ghost Hill Newsletter 28th November 2025

A message from Mrs Westall

The highlight of this week was when Rory in Hedgehog Class gave us a drumming performance in assembly. What a star in the making – don't ever forget us Rory when you are famous and on the big stage!





Well done to all of our Year 2 Communication Leaders for doing such a great job in supporting with our Open Mornings. They all did a FANTASTIC job and we are very proud of them all.

Have an enjoyable weekend

Community Kindness

We are working with the The King's Centre in Norwich, and with Jenny who attends there with her family (3 children at Ghost Hill). We are looking for donations of coats for primary aged children, and donations for food hampers. This is a great example of **Community Awareness**, one of our focused Character Virtues within our **Character Education Curriculum** and helps our children learn that it is always good to help people in our community. Please bring donations to the **school office** and Jenny will collect. The deadline is **Friday 12**th **December.**

Coats



Food

Many of our guests live alone, therefore need a variety of **small** size non-perishable food items, and for our homeless guests, easy to open tins (for example, a ring-pull). If you are donating food, please provide a variety of meat and vegetarian friendly options as we try to cater to dietary requirements.





Other items required for our festive bags (preferably in small packets or tins)

- Christmas cakes (alcohol free)
- Biscuit selection tins
- · Tins of wrapped sweets
- Plus other snacks our guests might enjoy

Non food items

- Compact sleeping bags
- Foil blankets
- Foam camping mats
- Range of unisex toiletries in 'handy' sizes

We are unable to accept ordinary blankets, duvets and towels due to bulk

More info here:

https://www.norwichopenchristmas.org.uk/donations.html

Sugar Collection

We would be grateful for bags of sugar for our sugar collection for the homeless and families in crisis.

The deadline is Thursday 11th December.





Thank you Friends of School for the huge amount of preparation before and during our '
Elfridges' event. The children look forward to this every year.



Food Tasting with ASPENS

After school on Thursday 22nd January 2026



We listened to feedback from last year's event and this year's event there will be no long queues. It is being organised differently, with tables and chairs for all. Please come along and support us with tasting the food your children are served at school. Children are welcome too.

Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 17th December.

There will only be the option of the Christmas dinner from school this day. We would love as many children as possible to sign up to this. If you don't want your child to have Christmas Dinner they can have packed lunch from home.

Main Menu



Allergy Menu



Christmas Performances



Please can there be a maximum of 2 family members per child at each performance. If we can all stick to this we won't need to have a ticket system. There will be a maximum of 60 children in a show. This means that with a maximum of 120 people in the audience it will be comfortable for the audience and not too overwhelming for the children. Photos can be taken – but please don't put on social media unless you have permission from parents of the children in the pictures.

Friends of School will have a collection pot at the door after each performance. All funds will go towards the children of Ghost Hill.

Dates of the shows are in the diary dates section below.

Gifts

Staff don't ever expect gifts from parents/children. We would just like to remind you that staff are not allowed to accept gift cards or cash as gifts. This is Trust policy and staff have to follow this.

A Special Mention from Mrs Westall

Try Hard, be Brave, Be You.



Character virtue – Community Awareness

Well done to Gregory in Butterfly Class for being an excellent tour guide in the open mornings. He showed confidence, maturity and was an excellent ambassador for the school.

Ready, Respectful, Safe





Sports News

The first group of year 2 girls have had a fantastic start to their swimming lessons, we look forward to sharing news on their progress in the coming weeks.

Mrs Wooltorton's Netball club has now finished, Mrs Everett's Yoga club will have their last session next week. Please look out for dance club coming soon!!

Please remember to keep sharing your child's sports achievements!

Mrs Wooltorton and Mrs Everett



Sports Star of the week

Our star of the week is Leona in Deer class for showing fantastic gymnastic shapes in her PE lesson.



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 Florence in Owl Class for showing so much bravery when her mum hurt herself and needed help. Florence called a family member to say there was an emergency, went to hospital with her Mum and now wants to be a doctor. Florence remained calm throughout. What a star!



Well done to Una in Deer Class. Una has recently joined a new gymnastics club and has been awarded Star of the Week on several occasions. What a brilliant achievement Una!





Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs Westall, Mrs Hamill, Mrs Michael, Mrs Ferguson

These members of staff monitor and manage all safeguarding practices and ensure staff are supported and have the training they need. Please ask to see one of these adults if you are worried about the safety of a child at school.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours, then the number to ring is:

CADS - Children's Advice and Duty Service - 0344 800 8020.

Please see November's Online Safety Newsletter on our website.

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Here is an extract:



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 order your child's lunch on the MYCAS app. This is a great opportunity for you to discuss the lunch options with your child and encourages them to try new foods.

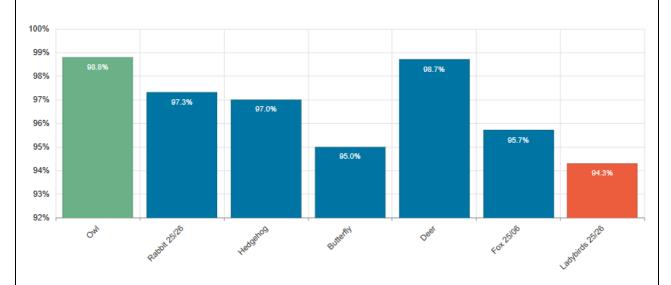
If you do not have MYCAS and would like access, please speak to Mrs Ferguson in the school office.

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

Please check the data collection tab for your child/ children to ensure the information we hold for you is up to date and correct. (All parts with a * need to be completed to save.



Well done to Owl class for 98.8% attendance this week.



The trust attendance target is **97%**Ghost Hill Infant and Nursery School current attendance this week is **96.8%**

Good attendance matters!

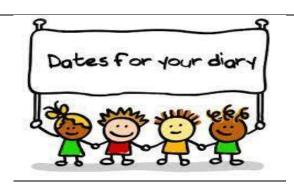
Attendance ladder. Your child's attendance percentage is available to view on 'my child at school'

Attendance	Description	Approx. days (sessions) lost per year	Approx. weeks lost school per year
100%	Perfect	0	0
96%	Good	7.5 (15 sessions)	1 week
95%	Nearly there	9.5 (19 sessions)	1–2 weeks
94%	Need to improve	12.5 (25 sessions)	2-3 weeks
90%	Persistent Absence – very concerning	19.5 (39 sessions)	3-4 weeks
50% or more	Severely absent - very concerning	95+ days (190+ sessions)	19 or more weeks

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

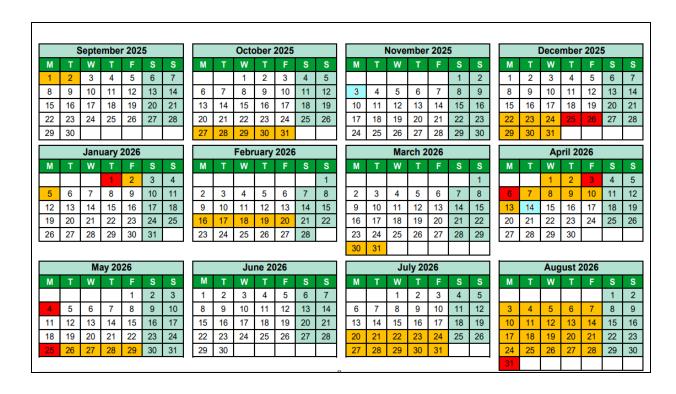
Breakfast and Afterschool club sessions for next half term is now available to book on my child at school.



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

Autumn Term Dates

Wednesday 3 rd December 2pm	Year 2 Christmas show to parents.		
Thursday 4 th December 10am	Year 2 Christmas show to parents		
Friday 5 th December	Friends of School event: Colour raffle dress up		
	day in a Christmas jumper or non uniform.		
	More info to follow.		
Wednesday 10 th December 10am and 2pm	Reception Christmas show to parents		
Friday 12 th December	Friends of School in assembly to draw the		
	raffle with the children.		
Monday 15 th December 2.15pm	Nursery Christmas show to parents.		
Tuesday 16 th December 2pm	Year 1 Christmas show to parents		
Wednesday 17 th December lunchtime	Christmas Dinner		
Thursday 18 th December 10am	Year 1 Christmas show to parents		
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term – non uniform just for fun.		





INGREDIENTS

Main Ingredients	Cost £
400g Penne Pasta	£0.33
120g Spinach	£0.55
2 X Garlic Cloves	£0.06
3 Spring Onions	£0.34
300g Creme Fraiche	£0.85
213g The Fishmonger Pink Salmon	£1.39
10g Flat Leaf Parsley	£0.17
5g Salt	£0.02
1/3 Lettuce	£0.29
3 X Tomatoes	£0.51
1/4 Cucumber	£0.22
Total	£4.73

Prices correct at time of printing and my vary. All items available from leading supermarkets.

Please observe the allergen information on the product packaging.

Based on a family of four

View video on



THE PASTA

- Bring a large pan of water to the boil, season with salt.
- Add pasta and cook as per packet cooking instructions.

SALMON SAUCE

- In a small sauce pan add the creme fraiche, chopped spring onions, garlic and drained salmon.
- 4. Heat until warmed through.
- 5. Add the spinach to the salmon sauce.
- Once the pasta is cooked, drain the water and add the pasta to the salmon sauce.
- 7. Stir the salmon mixture with cooked pasta and add to baking dish.
- Chop parsley and sprinkle over the top. Bake at 180 degrees for 25 minutes.



