



Ghost Hill Newsletter

9th October 2026

A message from Mrs Westall

We have had a great week, with lots to celebrate. It is lovely to hear about your children's achievements outside of school. Please e mail them to the school office and we will celebrate on our newsletter.

The Friends of School AGM on Tuesday was a great meeting; with some new faces. There is always space for more! Friends of School funded all of our enrichment last year amongst lots of other things for your children. Please support the events that are on the list of dates below. We hope to be able to have enough raised funds to be able to take every child in Reception, Year 1 and 2 to the theatre this academic year.

Please check the dates list at the bottom of this newsletter. New dates that have been added are in yellow.

Next week is our last week in school before our 2 week October halfterm.

Have a lovely weekend.

Some changes of dates and times – please spread the word!

Individual School Photos and Sibling Photos are now on Wednesday 4th November 2026.

The Year 2 Christmas performance planned for Thursday 10th December 9.45am is now on Wednesday 9th December 9.45am

Please see the change of time for **parents to come in to look at their children's books** and classroom environments. This was 2.45pm. It is now 3.20pm, on Tuesday 3rd November,

Curriculum

Science in Year 1

This week Year 1 explored different materials and decided what was the most suitable material for a parachute and why. We had so much fun!

We then drew parachutes in our Art sketch books with calming piano music on in the background!



Please do look at our Curriculum section on our website:

[Our Curriculum - GHOST HILL INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL](#)

You will find this links to click on to find out more...

WHOLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM INFORMATION

CHARACTER EDUCATION

EYFS CURRICULUM

CURRICULUM INFORMATION BY SUBJECT

GHOST HILL GOLDEN THREADS FOR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

We are Little Wandle School and deliver this systematic approach to phonics. For examples of how to practice phonics with your child, please see the videos below.

Click the Little Wandle videos below to watch on YouTube.



[Letters and Sounds for Home and School - YouTube](#)

A Special Mention from Mrs Westall

Try Hard, be Brave, Be You.



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

Well done to Poppy in Hedgehog Class who showed so much respect in our assembly on Monday on the theme of 'Honesty.' She listened well and was a great role model to others.

Ready, Respectful, Safe

GHOST HILL INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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

 **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

Year 2 have been flourishing in their swimming lessons. Mrs Everett has been so impressed with their progress and is looking forward to sharing certificates next week.

Mrs Everett and Miss Davies are enjoying their sports clubs of mini golf and girl's football. We love seeing the children enjoying trying something new!

Please keep sharing your children's out of school sports achievements, we love celebrating them in assembly on Fridays!



Sports Star of the week

Sports star of the week goes to Butterfly Class for super teamwork!



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 Olivia in Butterfly Class for showing so much COURAGE when holding different bugs!



Well done to Adam in Owl Class for showing so much COURAGE when climbing in the Peak District! After a little hike he decided to try rock climbing like his Dad. Adam was really scared but he didn't let the fear to stop him and decided to do it anyway. In fact he tried 4 times.
We are all really proud of Adam.



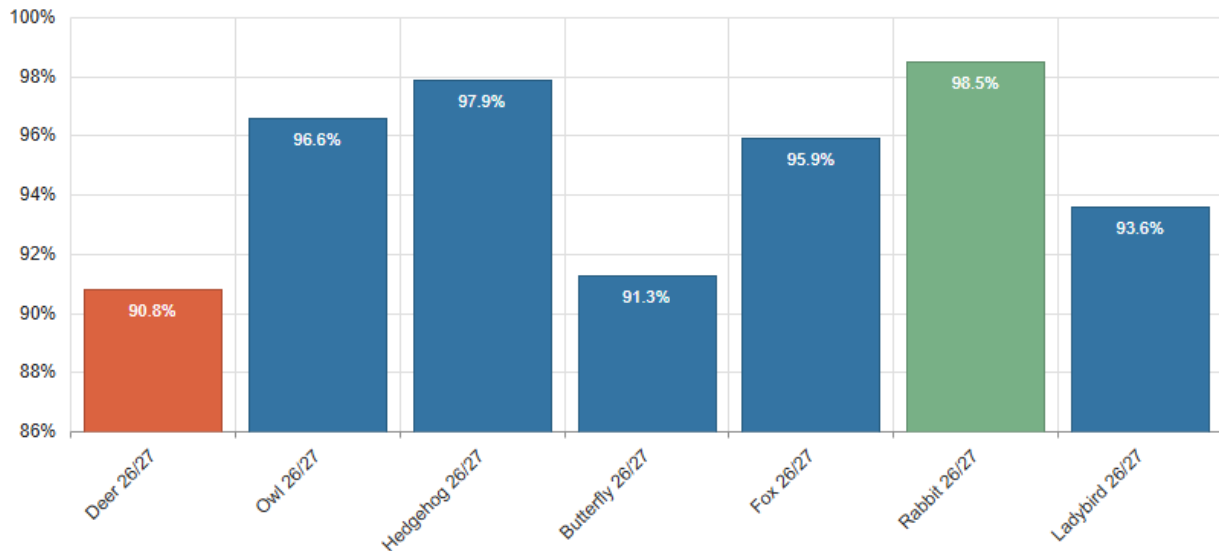


Well done to Luca B in Owl Class for learning to ride his bike without stabilisers. This is a great achievement!





Well done **Rabbit class** for **98.5%** attendance this week!!



Ghost Hill infant and Nursery school attendance target is **97%**
Current attendance this week is **95%**

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.

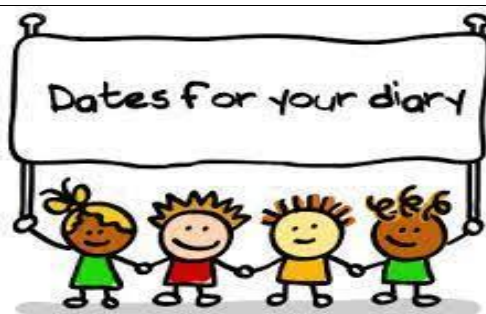
If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours; the number to ring is: [CADS – Children's Advice and Duty Service 0344 8008020](tel:03448008020)

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.



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

Thursday 15th October 4pm and 6pm

September 2027 NEW INTAKE Open Evening

Monday 19th October - Friday 30th October – 2 week Half term

Tuesday 3 rd November 3.20pm (change of time)	Parents can visit their child's classroom and look at their books and displays – ahead of parents evening.
Wednesday 4 th November	Individual and Sibling photos.
Monday 9 th November AM	Care Home Visit – School Council
Tuesday 10 th November 3.30-5pm	Parents Evening
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need fundraising day. Please wear yellow or non-uniform for a donation of £1.
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th November	Antibullying week
Thursday 19 th November 3.30-7pm	Parents Evening
Friday 20 th November	Friends of School event: Non uniform day – please bring in an item for the colour raffle. Colours will be shared nearer the time.
Thursday 26 th November PM	Friends event: Elfridges
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.
Wednesday 9 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.
Thinking ahead..... Friday 9 th July 4pm – 6pm	Summer Fayre

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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.



Always follow the WATER SAFETY CODE

Whenever you are in, on and around water:



STOP AND THINK
always swim in a safe place

Spot the dangers, for example steep drops, deep or moving water, rip currents and offshore winds.

Take note of local signs or beach flags and act on their advice.



Scan the QR code to find out more



Always follow the WATER SAFETY CODE

Whenever you are in, on and around water:



STAY TOGETHER
Always swim with an adult

Young children should be within arm's reach.

Tell someone where you are going and when you will be back.



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Always follow the **WATER SAFETY CODE**

In an emergency:

FLOAT

if you fall in, float, breathe and relax



Entering cold water makes you gasp, breathe fast and panic, **float for 60 seconds** or until this feeling passes.

Tread water and signal for help by putting one hand in the air and shouting **HELP!** loudly.



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to find out more

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Always follow the **WATER SAFETY CODE**

Whenever you are in, on and around water:

In an emergency

CALL 999

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland or the Coastguard if at the coast.



CALL for help. **TELL** them to float on their back, **THROW** something that floats to them.

Do not enter the water to rescue.



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Join Our

Ghost Hill Toddler Group

Fun and engaging activities for toddlers.

**Every Monday and Tuesday, during term
time.**

10.00am- 11.30am

Ghost Hill Infant and Nursery School,
Eastfield, Taverham, NR8 6PJ

Activities Include:

- Storytime and singing
- Arts and crafts
- Outdoor play

Contact Us:

office@ghosthill.set.education
01603 860334



**Come Play,
Learn, and Grow
Together!**

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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MONSTER SMASH

HALLOWEEN TENNIS CAMP
SPOOKY SKILLS, MONSTER CHALLENGES,
GAMES AND PRIZES!



**Hellesdon Community Tennis
Taverham Tennis Club**
28th - 30th October 9.00-11.30am

5-10 years

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO BOOK-
<https://nationaltennis.org.uk/camps/norfolk>

SCAN TO BOOK



JOIN THE FUN IF YOU DARE!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT: HELLO@NATIONALTENNIS.ORG.UK



Taverham
Evangelical
Church

FREE

Bright Party

31st October, 5-7pm

Taverham Village Hall, Sandy Lane,
Taverham, Norwich NR8 6JR

Games • Sweets • Crafts • Activities
Food • Silent Dance Floor • Glitter Tattoos

For primary school aged children and their families.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Fancy Dress or Dress to party (no scary costumes)

Booking is essential

For more information and to book scan
QR code or visit: www.tec-church.com





Autumn Learn to Ride courses

We are really excited to announce that our Autumn programme of Learn to Ride courses is now live on our website.

So if you would like us to teach your child how to ride a bike confidently, book them a place today!

We are running courses in Norwich & Ipswich at weekends during November.

And best of all, the courses will all be held indoors so won't be affected by the weather.

To book your child a place visit our website.

[Click here to book](#)



CHRISTMAS SCHOOL

SUGAR *Collection*



PLEASE BRING A
BAG OF SUGAR
INTO SCHOOL BY

Friday 4th December



FOR THE NEEDY,
SUGAR IS
INSTANT AND
VITAL ENERGY
IN FOOD AND
HOT DRINKS



SUPPORTING SHELTERS IN **EAST ANGLIA**
FOR THE HOMELESS AND FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Celebrating over **40** *years of*

SCHOOL SUGAR COLLECTION

THANK YOU
for making
a difference



BEFA (The Buckingham Emergency Food Appeal)
Registered Charity Number: 1066578