



Ghost Hill Newsletter

12th September 2025

A message from Mrs Westall

We have enjoyed our first full week of school. There is so much for children to take in as they settle into their new classes; and they are doing really well.



Please remember that dogs are not allowed on school premises please. You can tie them on the external gate but on the external side please. This is for a number of health and safety reasons and is the same in all schools. This includes dogs being carried.

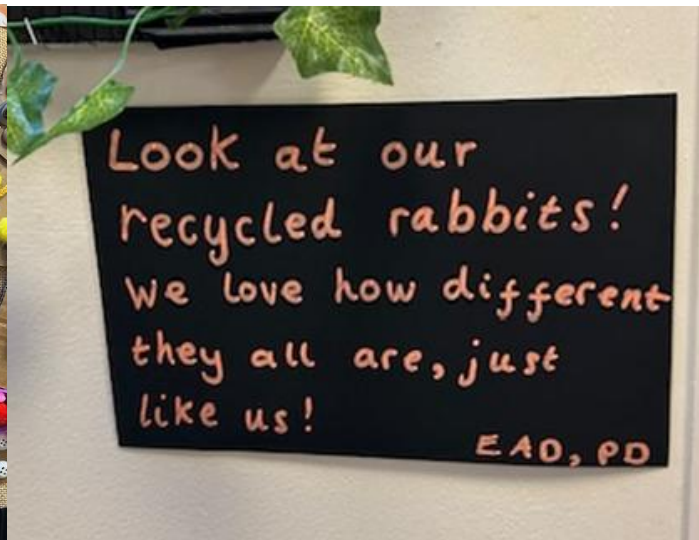
We have listened to parent and staff view and will be changing the way we organise our Christmas performances.



Each year group will have a separate performance (rather than a joint Year 1 and 2 performance). This is due to ensuring the number of people in the audience is not too overwhelming for the children on stage, and to ensure the audience are comfortable. Please see new dates below. We know that for some of you with more than one child in the school it might be logistically difficult to attend, but when considering everything we feel this is the best option and we have got the dates to you in plenty of time. Please only come to one performance so the hall isn't overcrowded. Eg if you have a child in Year 1 and Year 2, please come to one of each of the performances. If you have a child just in Year 1, please just come to one of the Year 1 performances. We know Christmas is a long way off and we won't mention it again for a while!

Have a good weekend

Rabbit Class have made some stunning Recycled Rabbits



Friends AGM

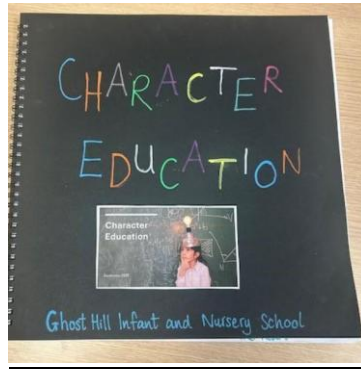
23rd Sept. 6pm. In the school hall.

Please come along to hear more about the work of the Friends and what you can do to help.

We aim to be nut free

Please can children not bring anything into school with nuts in, or traces of nuts. This includes Nutella chocolate spread, peanut butter and cereal bars with nuts in.

Character Education



Character Education is a really important part of our Curriculum and Personal Development offer. There is more information about this on our website:

[Character Education | Ghost Hill Infant & Nursery School](#)

Our focus character virtues for the academic year 2025-2026 are:

- Curiosity
- Honesty
- Teamwork
- Community Awareness

The Teaching of Reading Presentation for Parents and Carers



Wednesday 1st October 9am in the school hall. Don't worry if you can't attend – everything is on our website too – under the curriculum section.

Meet the SENCO and hear about provision for children with SEND at Ghost Hill.

Tuesday 16th September 2.30pm. All welcome.



Individual School Photos - Thursday 16th October



Spaces available for 3years+ Nursery September 2025/ 2026

Speak to the school office for more information
01603 860334 or email
office@ghosthill.set.education



A Special Mention from Mrs Westall

Try Hard, be Brave, Be You.



Character virtue – Cooperation and Kindness

Well done to Parker and Freddie F in Rabbit Class for showing so much kindness towards each other every day; helping each other, looking out for each other and for being amazing!

Ready, Respectful, Safe



Sports News

I hope you have had a good week. The children have settled well and are enjoying their new PE units of work. Year 2 did really well with their first swimming lesson; one child even said “it was the best thing I have done in my life!”

Reception children worked well and listened beautifully during their lessons. Well done!

Football club has started, delivered by the football association, please keep an eye out for staff led sports clubs coming soon.

Please remember to share any sports achievements with us, we love to celebrate them in assembly and on this newsletter.

Have a super weekend,

Mrs Wooltorton and Mrs Everett



Sports Star of the week

Star of the week is Rogan in Fox Class for good listening and following instructions.



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 Ava in Butterfly Class who learnt to ride her bike over the Summer Holiday. Well done Ava, there'll be no stopping you now! This shows courage and perseverance.



Well done to Louis in Hedgehog Class for being awarded 'Man of the Match' on Saturday in his first league game for the Horsford Hornets. This is brilliant Louis! This shows determination and Team Work.



Well done to Freddie in Owl Class for completing the Summer Reading Challenge enthusiastically. He was proud to receive his certificate and medal from the library for reading 6 library books over the summer holidays. Well done Freddie! This is a great achievement and shows such a love of reading.



Well done to Arthur in Hedgehog Class for completing the library summer reading challenge over the summer holidays. He very happily received his certificate and medal. This is great to hear Arthur – what a star!



Afterschool Clubs.

Teacher led afterschool clubs will start again week commencing 22nd September. The clubs will run for 8 weeks with the last week of clubs being the week of 17th November.

Clubs will be available to book on MYCAS from 8.00am on Monday 15th September.

Please only book your child on to one club to give as many children as possible a chance to participate in an afterschool club.

Club	Teacher in charge	Number of children in club	Year group	Day
Running	Mrs Everett	16	1 & 2	Wednesday (afterschool)
Girls football	Miss Davies	10	1& 2	Friday (afterschool)
Netball	Mrs Wooltorton	14	2	Wednesday Lunchtime
Football	Mrs Everett	10	1	Thursday lunchtime
Colouring club	Miss O'Dwyer	12	1 & 2	Monday (afterschool)



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 September's [Online Safety Newsletter](#) on our website.

Here is an extract (the links will work if accessed via the website)

**Check to see if you
qualify for **FREE**
school meals!**

Check online www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals



Link: [Free school meals - Norfolk County Council](#)

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically get free school meals if they go to school. This is called universal infant free school meals. This is different to benefit-related free school meals and you do not have to apply, but if you receive one of the qualifying benefits, you should still register. This is because it can help raise extra funds for your child's school (called Pupil Premium). This Government funding can help with extra tuition, teaching and after school activities. Please click the link above.



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.

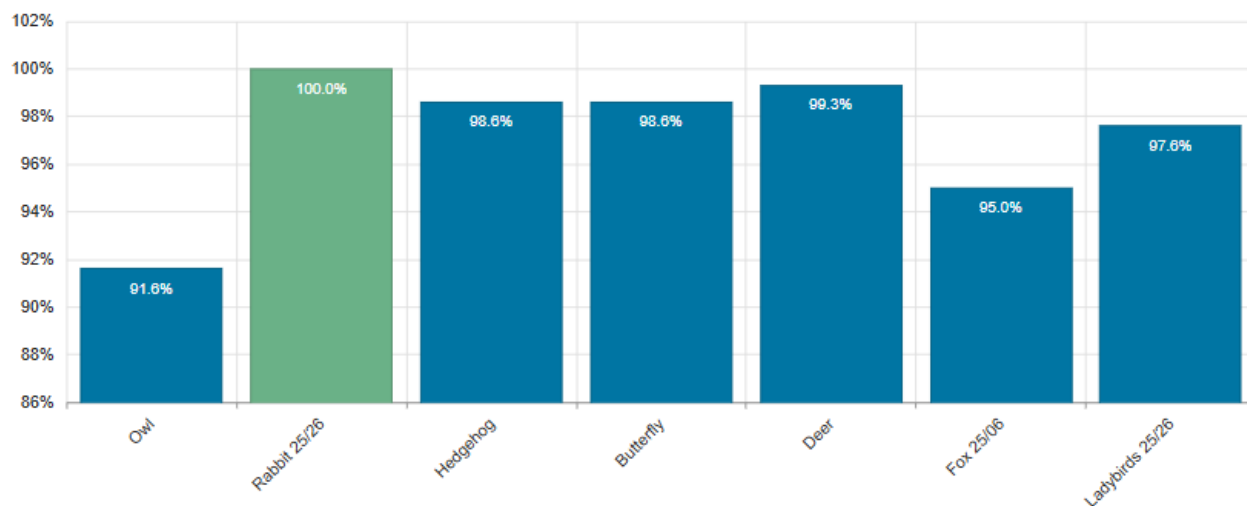
If you do not have MYCAS and would like access, please speak to Mrs Ferguson in the school office.

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 **Rabbit class** for **100%** attendance this week.



The trust attendance target is **97%**

Ghost Hill Infant and Nursery School current attendance this week is **97%**

Good attendance matters!

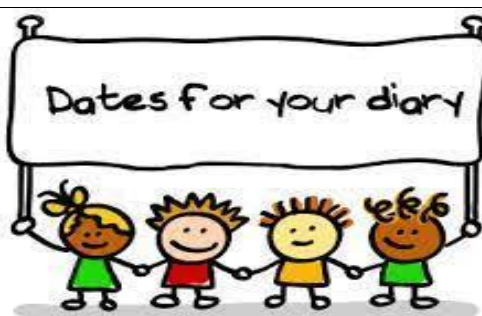
Top Tips To Support Attendance

- ✓ 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.

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



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

Autumn Term Dates

Monday 15 th September (during the school day)	Year 1 Science Horizons experience
Tuesday 16 th September 2.30pm	Meet the SENCO – open to all.
Tuesday 23 rd September 9am	Parent Focus Group – Theme – Transition. All welcome.
Wednesday 1 st October 9am	The Teaching of Reading presentation for parents. This is the same as previous years – open to all.
Thursday 16 th October	Individual School Photos.
Half term - Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October	
Wednesday 5 th November	Sept 2026 Intake OPEN EVENING
Thursday 13 th November	Parents evening 3.30-5pm
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need Fundraising dress up day.
Tuesday 18 th November	Parents evening 3.30-7pm
Thursday 20 th Nov, Tues 25 th Nov, Wed 26 th Nov	Open mornings for Sept 2026 new intake
Wednesday 3 rd December 2pm	Year 2 Christmas show to parents.
Thursday 4 th December 10am	Year 2 Christmas show to parents
Wednesday 10 th December 10am and 2pm	Reception Christmas show to parents
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.

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