

# **Ghost Hill Newsletter** 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### A message from Mrs Westall

We have had a wonderful week at Ghost Hill! School feels calm and happy and it's like the new Nursery and Reception children have always been with us!

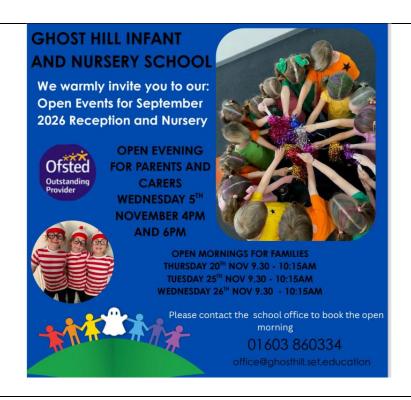
We have taken the first steps with creating our new website and this will be launched in November. The Trust are supporting us with this, and we are very excited to make it amazing! We will be launching a new Facebook page soon too...

Please can I ask you to ensure your children are walking on the path, not the road when walking to school. It has been reported to us that often children are on the road, with parents on the pavement. We want to keep all children safe.

Please continue to check the dates below. Can I please draw your attention to an extra INSET day all Trust schools are having to train staff, on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Children will not be in school this day.

Have a good weekend

We would like to share details of our Open Events with you. Please let the office know if you are able to display a poster in any local business/shop windows for us. And if you can put it on your social media pages we would be grateful Thank you so much! Word of mouth is the most powerful way to recommend a school and its one of the biggest decisions parents and carers will make.



#### Fox Class have made some fantastic foxes!



### Year 1 Science and History enrichment day

Thank you to Friends of Ghost Hill for funding a brilliant experience for Year 1. The children (and the staff!) LOVED it! They learn so much about space, with Science Horizons. So many hands on learning experiences. Memories made forever. Mrs Wenham took a sneaky selfie!



### Friends AGM

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

#### **The Teaching of Reading Presentation for Parents and Carers**



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

# Individual School Photos - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 – Curiosity and Community Awareness** 

Well done to Gregory in Butterfly Class. He is looking forward to going to Two Acres Care Home, with school council and has asked brilliant questions so he can find out more about what the visit will involve.

Ready, Respectful, Safe





#### **Sports News**

Thank you for taking part in our parent survey, we will be releasing more information around the parent group soon. There is still time to take part, please click the link below.

Parent & Carers health and wellbeing survey (2)

The children have been participating well in their new pe units, and swimming for year 2 has been brilliant! It is so lovely seeing the children come back from the pool with beaming smiles!

A reminder that the teacher led sports clubs are starting next week:

- Wednesday lunch Netball with Mrs Wooltorton
- Wednesday after school club Running Club with Mrs Everett
- Thursday lunchtime- Football with Mrs Everett
- Friday after school Girl's football with Miss Davies

Please remember to let us know if your child has achieved anything in their sports clubs or challenged themselves with a new skill/sport and we can celebrate their success in our celebration assembly and in the school newsletter.

Have a super weekend, Mrs Wooltorton and Mrs Everett



#### **Sports Star of the week**

Our sports star of the week is Anashe in Owl class for his creative game ideas with the class PE bag! Well done Anashe!



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 Emilia in Butterfly Class. Emilia received her core 1 and first ever gymnastics medal after her summer assessment. This is amazing Emilia! Keep up the good work!



Well done to Meliah in Deer Class. She passed her stage 5 swimming award. This is great and shows perseverance and determination!



Well done to Rogan from Fox class. Rogan learnt to swim unaided with the help of his big brother!



Huge Well done to Ellis in Deer class. On Saturday Ellis worked really hard and played some excellent football earning himself man of the match for his football team, Sprowston Tigers!



# **Afterschool Clubs**.

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

Clubs will be available to book on MYCAS from 8.00am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 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- <b>FULL</b>	Mrs Everett	16	1 & 2	Wednesday (afterschool)
Girls football- SPACES AVAILABLE	Miss Davies	10	1& 2	Friday (afterschool)
Netball- SPACES AVAILABLE	Mrs Wooltorton	14	2	Wednesday Lunchtime
Football - <b>FULL</b>	Mrs Everett	10	1	Thursday lunchtime
Colouring club- FULL	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.



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.

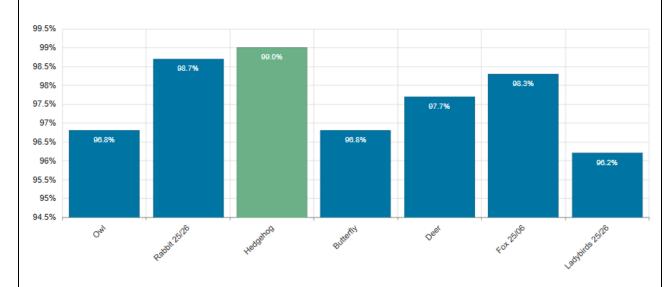
If you do not have MYCAS and would like access, please speak to Mrs Ferguson in the school office.

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 **Hedgehog class** for **99%** attendance this week.



The trust attendance target is **97%**Ghost Hill Infant and Nursery School current attendance this week is **97.8%** 

#### **Good attendance matters!**

# Did You Know?

One full school year at 90% attendance is the equivalent of 4 weeks of learning missed!

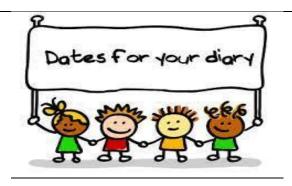
Over 5 years of school, this adds up to half a school year missed.

This is known as persistent absence.



#### **Breakfast and After school club contact number**

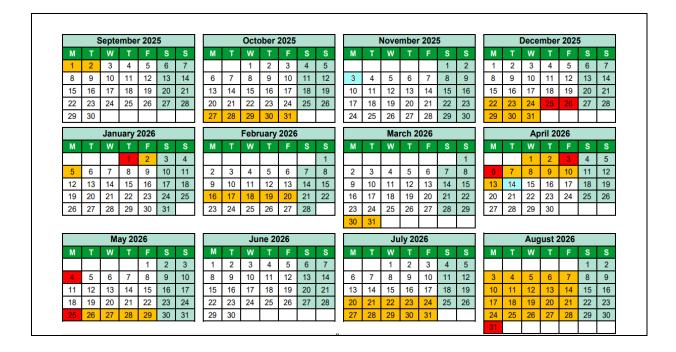
Please be aware breakfast and after school club has its own contact number. Should you need to reach them, please call 01603 558807



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

# **Autumn Term Dates**

Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 9am	Parent Focus Group – Theme – Transition. All welcome.			
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October 9am	The Teaching of Reading presentation for parents. This is the same as previous years –			
	open to all.			
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual School Photos.			
Half term - Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October				
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Extra INSET day. Children not in			
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Sept 2026 Intake OPEN EVENING			
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents evening 3.30-5pm			
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Fundraising dress up day.			
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents evening 3.30-7pm			
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov, Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov, Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Open mornings for Sept 2026 new intake			
Nov				
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2pm	Year 2 Christmas show to parents.			
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 10am	Year 2 Christmas show to parents			
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 10am and 2pm	Reception Christmas show to parents			
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2.15pm	Nursery Christmas show to parents.			
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm	Year 1 Christmas show to parents			
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December lunchtime	Christmas Dinner			
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 10am	Year 1 Christmas show to parents			
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term – non uniform just for fun.			





#### **Parents and Carers**

Do you feel you need support or advice regarding your children?

Come and chat to Emma your Community Worker from the Broadland Family Hub, she's here to help with:

- · Behaviour Advice
- · Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing
- · Household Finances & Cost of Living
  - · Parenting Support
  - · Any Other Concerns

# DROP-IN SESSIONS AT THE DRAYTON ECFS BASE 9.00am-16.00pm NEXT SESSIONS

18<sup>th</sup> September 2<sup>nd</sup> October 16<sup>th</sup> October 30<sup>th</sup> October

To book your appointment, contact Emma on

emma.lakerjones2@norfolk.gov.uk or call 01603 222893

We Look Forward To Meeting You

