



Hornbill Extra!

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Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III

In line with schools in England, and in recognition of the additional Bank Holiday awarded to UK and BFB staff, school will be closed for the day on Monday 8th May 2023.

Random Act of Kindness and Mental Health Awareness Day

We are holding a Random Act of Kindness and Mental Health Awareness Day on **10th February**. We will continue the Hornbill tradition of having a station with pens and paper on the playground so that children could write notes of thanks to each other and we will have a non-uniform day where children can wear their own choice of clothing and odd socks.

Events

February 2023

10th February—Random Act of Kindness Day

13th February — Computing and Cyber Security Family Learning Programme time 08:00

March 2023

7th March from 07:45—09:00 FS2 Stay and Play

14th March from 07:45-09:00 FS1 Stay and Play

24th March last day of term — school closes at 12:00

May 2023

Monday 8th May School Closed

Safeguarding

Mr Walters is the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs L Brown is the Deputy Safeguarding Lead.





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Visitors to School

I am incredibly proud of all the hard work that goes on in school and am always delighted to be able to invite Defence Children Services colleagues into school to share what we are doing and for them to support the staff and children to further develop good practice and our school environment.

Earlier in January, we were able to welcome Mr Mark Harris who provided 24 school and setting staff with First Aid training.

Last week we were pleased to welcome Mrs Debbie Taylor to school. Debbie is the DCS Teaching and Learning Advisor. She was impressed with the curriculum offer at Hornbill School and worked with our Subject Leaders to refine and develop our offer as we are continuously reviewing what we include in our curriculum.

We have also been pleased to welcome Ms Bex Everitt. Bex is the DCS Speech and Language Therapist and has been in school to provide support and advice as well as to assess some of our children and provide a report of needs. Bex will return to the UK at the end of the week.

Next week we will be welcoming the DCS Early Years Advisor, Tricia Wood. Following her recent visit, we have already been developing our learning environments in Foundation Stage; look out for the next newsletter to see photographs of our improved learning environments.

In March, we will be having a visit from Claire Margerison who is a DCS CACHE assessor. We offer adult education courses to our Learning Support staff and Claire will be working with the six staff members currently taking accredited learning courses in both Treetops and the main school.

School times

Thank you for arriving with your children in time for learning to start at 07:45. If you arrive after that time, please take your child to the school reception area where they will be registered as late for the session.