

# Horninglow News



## A word from Mrs Breedon...

### Coronavirus Update

Thank you for your vigilance and for maintaining social distancing it is very much appreciated and so important. We have been fortunate in comparison to some schools and only had two positive cases within school. Your support and adherence to the guidelines makes all the difference.

### Car Park

We have had two car accidents / incidents reported to us, these have been caused by parents using the car park or parking illegally outside school. **Please do not use our car park - it is not safe for our pupils.** We are looking at ways of limiting access to the carpark, most of which are costly and we would far prefer to spend money on learning activities.

### Christmas

Well November is flying by - it'll be Christmas before we know it. With that in mind we are looking for creative ways to celebrate Christmas in a safe, socially distanced way. Each class will be performing a scene from a nativity play which we aim to bring together as a video to share with you in the last week of term. Your support with costumes will be much appreciated. We will also be raising money for school by wearing Christmas jumpers on December the 11th and each class will have a Christmas party.

I've been really impressed by the creativity of Horninglow Staff who manage to find ways to make learning and school fun despite the current restrictions. We are looking forward to class quizzes on Friday and I'm sure the children will let you know the winners!

Class	PE Day
Reception	Friday
YR1	Wednesday
YR2	Friday
YR3	Thursday
YR4	Friday
YR5	Wednesday
YR6	Monday&Tuesday

## Free School Meals

This week we have sent out letters with your children regarding free school meals. We have had so many parents already say that they did not know they were entitled to this!

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Registering for free meals could also raise an extra **£1,320**, to fund valuable support such as equipment, additional teaching staff or after school activities.

Please fill in the form and return to the office or your child's teacher. If you have lost the form or have not received one please ask for one at the office.

Dates	Event
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Children return to school.
Fri 11th December	Christmas Jumper day
Wed 16th December	Christmas Nativity video
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> December	School breaks up for Christmas holiday.
4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Days
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school
Fri 12th February	Children break up for February holiday.

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# Wellness and Wellbeing

"If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely." - Roald Dahl



This week's thought is **Gratitude** and what it means to us. Gratitude is defined as the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness. We encourage parents and children this week to consider who they are grateful for and how they can return such kindness. This does not always mean giving and returning gifts. Simple acts of kindness such as a friendly phone call, or doing a chore for your parents, or writing a nice letter for someone because they need a pick-me-up. Gratitude can be shown in so many ways, for example:

On Wednesday Mrs Breedon held an assembly on zoom at 11am and all of the school had a two minute silence together. This was to show our gratitude to the many soldiers that lost their lives so that we could live ours the way that we do today.



## Poem

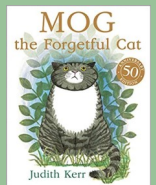
**Aim High To The Sky**  
By James McDonald

Aim high to the sky,  
In all that you do.  
Because you just never  
know,  
What it takes to be you.  
Be strong and be brave,  
But at the same time be  
kind.  
And always be sure,  
That you're using your  
mind.

## Book Recommendations:

**EYFS: 'Mog the Forgetful Cat' by Judith Kerr**

Everyone's favourite family cat first appeared fifty years ago and is loved by children everywhere for her funny and warm-hearted escapades.



**KS1: 'FunnyBones' by Janet and Allen Ahlberg**



The Funnybones books are a must for children just starting to learn to read - these funny skeletons are definitely not the scary sort!

**KS2: 'Brainstorm' by Vashti Hardy.**

A fast-paced fantasy adventure that will set your imagination soaring! Twins Arthur and Maudie Brightstorm receive word in Lontown that their famous explorer father has died in a failed attempt to reach the southernmost point in the world. Not only that, but he has been accused of stealing fuel before he died! The twins don't believe the news, and they answer an ad to join a new attempt to reach South Polaris. It's their only hope of learning the truth ... and salvaging their family's reputation. As the winged ship *Aurora* sets sail, the twins must keep their wits about them and prove themselves worthy of the rest of the crew. But will Arthur and Maudie find the answers they seek?



**Adults: 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse' by Charlie Mackesy.**

Whether you are 2 or 80, you will love this book! Enter the world of Charlie's four unlikely friends, discover their story and their most important life lessons. A book of hope for uncertain times. And plenty of cake!

