

Mousehold Infant and Nursery School

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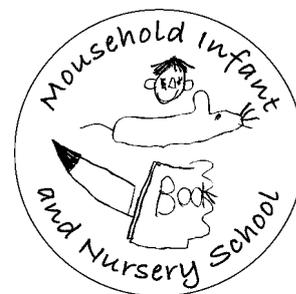
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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the lovely weather over half term. Children have been excited to tell us what they have enjoyed doing over the holiday with their families. Our duckling eggs have arrived in Class 9! All children in school have had the opportunity to come and see the eggs hatch and learn more about the lifecycle. The children in EYFS and Year 1 all know their classes for September. There is a real buzz around school with talk of new friendships as well as nurturing their already solid friendships.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Rebecca Westall

RESPECT

HELP

LEARN

ENJOY

ACHIEVE

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 21st June - 2.15pm. YR - Y1 Transition information meeting for current Reception parents in the school hall. More details will follow.

Sports Days in Summer Term

Year 1 and 2: Tuesday 27th June AM

Summer Fayre: 14th July 3.30 - 5.30pm

Parent View - another way to express your views.

Thank you to all who have logged on to put across your views. Please ask for support if you need it. There are plenty of staff who can help.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>



Remember: If you are concerned about a child or vulnerable adult in Norfolk and want to speak to someone, contact us on 0344 800 8020.

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/children-and-families/keeping-children-safe/report-concerns>

also ring the number **0344 800 8020** if you have a concern about a child outside school.

Safeguarding at Mousehold

At Mousehold all staff have a responsibility to safeguard children. If you ever have a concern about a child or a member of staff then please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads: **Mrs Westall, Mr Tolson, Miss Compton**. You can

Library opening times and chance to look at progress in books and on displays:

The school library is open to families after school **every Friday** from 3pm - 3.20pm. During this time the classrooms will be open for you to look at your child's books and see their progress.

Friends of School

Please let Sarah (parent of Oliver in Class 3) or Kate (parent of Harley in Class 3) or Emma (parent of Iris in Class 4 or Seth in Nursery) know if you would like to help with the Summer Fayre. There are different roles such as helping plan the event or helping on the day. We would be very grateful for any support.

HELP PLEASE! We are looking for 2 helpers to help cook the food on the BBQ for the fayre. There will be other staff helpers with you on the stall. Please let Sarah, Kate or Emma know if you can help - or let the school office know.

GoGo Hares 2018 - Norwich Sculpture Trail

We already have 2 sponsors who have come forward for our GoGo Hare. Their names will be on the hare somewhere for the children to spot. Please let us know if you feel you or your business can sponsor our hare.

Parent Questionnaire

We had a massive 74% response, compared to last year's 22%! The analysis is attached to this letter. It really was so lovely to read all of the really positive comments from you. I have only put a few on the analysis. The points to develop are always helpful too.



Toys not allowed in school please

Our rule has always been that children are not allowed to bring toys into school. We have had a lot of children recently bringing in fidget spinners, Pokeman and Lego cards and Lego toys. If these toys are lost or broken it causes lots of upset. We have enough resources in school to entertain children at break times and lunch times.

Favourite Five - Miss Severson Teaching Assistant in Class 8

Favourite Food: Spicy curry

Favourite Place: My family's cabin on a lake in Minnesota

Favourite Colour: Green

Favourite Film: The Labyrinth

Favourite Book: Alice in Wonderland

Attendance Prizes for punctuality

The two families who won the prizes for punctuality are Eliana in Class 6 and Robyn in Class 1. Well done! There will be another draw at the end of this term. Try to arrive to school on time to have a chance of winning the exciting prizes!

Policies

Our policies are on our school website. This is where you will find the Safeguarding and Behaviour policies amongst others.

Please remember to look at our school website for exciting updates.

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Mousehold Infant and Nursery School Questionnaire for Parents and Carers – May 2017

This is a summary of all of the responses. Some don't add up to 100% because some boxes were left blank. We had a 74% response, compared to last year's 22%. Class 6 and 9 win the prize for the most responses. Thank you all.

	(Please tick)	Yes	Mostly	Sometimes	No
1	My child enjoys school	85%	12%	3%	
2	The school ensures that my child is safe and well cared for	93%	6%	1%	
3	The school informs me of their safeguarding procedures through newsletters.	91%	6%	2%	
4	The school informs me about my child's progress and there are opportunities for me to visit the classrooms and look at the progress.	88%	7%	3%	
5	My child is making enough progress at this school	81%	15%	1%	1%
6	The teaching is good at this school	93%	5%	1%	1%
7	The school helps me to support my child's learning	80%	15%	3%	
8	The school helps my child to have a healthy lifestyle	87%	10%	1%	
9	The school is a welcoming place for children and parents/carers	95%	5%		
10	The school meets my child's particular needs	83%	13%	1%	1%
11	The school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour	80%	15%	1%	
12	The school staff are easy to approach, and take account of my suggestions, concerns and worries	91%	6%	2%	
13	The school is led and managed effectively	93%	6%		
14	Overall, I am happy with my child's experience at this school	93%	6%	1%	



A few of the comments and our responses:

EYFS

It's a wonderful school with amazing teachers who are knowledgeable, caring and encourage the children to excel in different areas and support the ones who have difficulties in some areas.

Friendly staff. I love the open classroom sessions on a Friday.

I love the weekly newsletter in Nursery and especially what the £1 donations are spent on and also how we can help children at home.

Point to respond to:

I feel that more could be done to deal with playground politics, as some of the time I feel that some of the language used is not suited for the playground.

Response: We encourage all adults and children on our school site to remember our High Five, ' Respect, Help, Learn, Enjoy, Achieve.' When staff hear bad language this is always addressed.

Year 1

Fantastic at organising clubs and events. Loved the Autism Awareness week.

Thank you so much for providing a fantastic school for our children to come to. Your hard work is thoroughly appreciated.

There are plenty of opportunities to visit the classroom and see progress.

I am so pleased I found this school. I have nothing to complain about. Thank you.

Point to respond to:

More notice for class assemblies would be appreciated please as last time I had a week's notice.

Response:

Class Assemblies are usually on the fortnightly newsletter weeks before the event. Apologies if this wasn't the case this one time.

Point to respond to:

I would appreciate more support for teaching Maths please

Response:

At the start of the Autumn Term there will be an information session for parents on how we teach Maths and how you can support at home (similar to the Phonics one this year.)

Year 2

Thank you to all of the staff who make Mousehold such a stimulating and caring environment. We are very happy with the school.

Mousehold has provided both of my children with a fantastic start to their education – an excellent school.

Point to respond to:

I just wish there would be a forest school available to all years

Response:

We can look into more Forest School work. If our budget allows then it will be a priority.



