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Lower Halstow School Newsletter

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Welcome Back to a New School Year!

Welcome back to a brand-new academic year at Lower Halstow Primary School! We hope you all had a wonderful Summer break and feel refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead.

We would like to give a very special welcome to our new Reception (Year R) pupils and their families, who are joining our school community. We are thrilled to have you all with us and cannot wait to see you grow and thrive at Lower Halstow.

Term 1 is already shaping up to be a busy and fun-filled term. We're looking forward to swimming lessons for Year 5, a focused and informative Safety Week for the whole school as part of our personal development curriculum and some creative hands-on workshops to create clay tiles as part of a piece of commemorative Artwork to celebrate the school's 150th Birthday. We are also inviting members of the community and ex-pupils to an evening event at the school on 14.10.26 at 6.00pm; this will include refreshments and tours of the school, if you are interested in coming, or know someone who is, please do let the office know.

We'll be capturing the smiles of the new year during individual school photos (which we have set early enough so that these can be purchased as Christmas gifts for extended family if you wish). As usual younger siblings are welcome to be included between 8.30-9.00.

Towards the end of the term, we will be coming together for a community-focused Harvest Festival and will be rounding off the term with a surprise event for the children funded by the Friends of Lower Halstow School.

There is so much to look forward to; the lessons have some new additions and are packed full of exciting activities, with plenty of memorable moments planned along the way. Before we know it, the weeks will be flying by, so let's make the most of every moment before Christmas Chaos takes over in Term 2. Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with success, smiles and lots of happy memories!

Best wishes,

Mrs Deevoy and Miss Crowe



Dates for your diary

Term 1

Date	Event
8.9.26	Chance to Shine Cricket Coaching for Year 2 – 6 for 6 weeks
10.9.26	Year 6 Kent Test Day
10.9.26	Year 5 swimming begins for Term 1 and 2
Wk beg 14.9.26	Clubs Begin
17.9.26	Individual Photos
18.9.26	Clay tiles art workshop – session 1
Wk beg 21.9.26	Safety Week begins
23.9.26	Year 5 to Margate Railway Safety Centre
24.9.26 am	Scooter Training for Year 1 and 2
24.9.26	ELSA Diabetes optional testing – details to follow from the NHS
30.9.26	Clay tiles art workshop – session 2
1.10.26	Owl and Raptor Centre Show
1.10.26	Heritage Month begins, focusing on family history and traditions
2.10.26	Year 6 to Creed Adventure Centre
5.10.26	Flu Vaccination Day
14.10.26 6.00pm	School 150 th Birthday open evening for the community
16.10.26	Show Racism the Red Card Day – wear red
20.10.26	Meet the Experts careers day
20.10.26	Parents' Evening – details to follow
21.10.26	Parents' Evening – details to follow
22.10.26	FOLHS Non-uniform Day – bring a bottle for the tombola – TBC
22.10.26	End of Term 1
23.10.26	Staff Development Day – children do not attend

Term 2

2.11.26	Start of Term 2 – Children return
4.11.26	Year 6 Pizza Express trip
5.11.26	Year 5 swimming continues – last session – 10.11.26
Week Beg 16.11.26	Anti-Bullying Week
20.11.26	Children in Need – details to follow
27.11.26	FOLHS non-uniform day – please bring chocolate for the tombola
3.12.26 5.00-7.30	FOLHS Shopping Event
11.12.26 pm	Santa Run (children only)
11.12.26 at 1.00 pm	FOLHS Christmas Fayre – details to follow
14.12.26 2.15pm	Year R Christmas songs to parents
15.12.26 2pm	Year 1 and 2 nativity to parents
16.12.26 2pm	Year 1 and 2 nativity to parents
16.12.26 – 3.20 – 4.00pm	Open Classrooms
17.12.26	Christmas jumpers, Christmas dinner and parties day
18.12.26	End of Term 2
4.1.27	Staff Development Day – children do not attend
5.1.27	Start of Term 3

