

Otter Newsletter: 12–16 October



This Week

- **Maths:** We have been learning about common factors.
- **English:** We finished our autobiography writing and completed a *Pobble* activity - continuing a story from a given opening in our own way.
- **Science:** We started learning about the classification of organisms, including why we classify them and how we might begin to do this.
- **New Reception open morning:** We welcomed new families, showed them around the school and answered their questions.

Next Week

Day	Events and information
Monday 19 October	Steel pan workshop for all pupils. Swimming for pupils who are taking part.
Tuesday 20 October	Reading groups with Mrs Anthony.
Wednesday 21 October	School council meeting.
Thursday 22 October	Mr Shackleton will be teaching in the afternoon as usual and will also teach from breaktime in the morning. No choir. Disco - after school. A ticket is required; please contact the school office if your child would like to attend and payment has not yet been made.
Friday 23 October	Half-term holiday.

School reopens: Monday 2 November.

Learning to Tell the Time

I have noticed that many children are finding it difficult to tell the time on an analogue clock. We will be practising with a game called *My Time*. As part of the game, children who correctly tell me that it is “their time” may receive a sweet from a packet of Squashies or Haribo. Please let me know if you would prefer your child not to have a sweet.

Reminders

Please ensure that your child brings the following to school every day:

- A water bottle
- Wellies or spare shoes (spare socks are also handy if using spare shoes rather than wellies)
- A coat
- A school bag

Please also remember:

- Homework is due in on **Thursday this week**.
- The school is **nut-free**.
- Break-time snacks should be fruit or vegetables only.
- Please make sure that everything is clearly named.

As always, if you have any questions or problems, please pop an email to otter@hinghamprimary.org.uk
If you would like to have a face to face chat, you can either catch me at the end of most days (apart from Thursday) or we can arrange a time for you to come into school – I’m usually available from 15:20 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.