

NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year

Welcome back from the festive season. I hope you all managed to have a lovely holiday and the children are all refreshed ready for the new term. We have a short and busy term ahead with lots already planned.

Clubs will start the week of the 19th January running through until the week before we break for Easter. Club letters will be sent out on Monday so please return promptly. This term we are asking children to put down their first three choices. As a school we run a lot of after school clubs and want as many children as possible to benefit.

Parent Consultation dates for the Spring Term will be Tuesday 24th February (Nursery only), Wednesday 25th February 3.10-6.00pm (Nursery to Year 6) and Thursday 26th February 5.00-8.00pm (Nursery to Year 6).

Emergency Closure Plan in the Event of Severe Weather Conditions

Our aim is to stay open However in the event of severe weather conditions we always follow the Hertfordshire County Council guidelines. The decision to close is taken by the Headteacher based on the local conditions, an assessment of the risk, staffing issues, transport issues and County guidance.

If a decision is taken to close the school we will follow the County's notification process and this information will be posted on their website at www.hertsdirect.org. HCC will also inform the following radio station:-

BBC 3 Counties on 103.8 FM

A Parentmail text message will be sent informing parents of the closure. It is vital, therefore, that we have up to date telephone numbers. If you have changed your telephone number, please ensure that this information is given to the school's Admin Team. Information about reopening the school will be communicated in exactly the same way.

Clubs for Children in Year 1 to 6

Your child will come home with a letter next week outlining the clubs on offer this term. Please complete the form and return it to the school office ASAP. Clubs will be allocated next week and your child will come home with a letter letting you know which club they have been allocated. Please remember to put your child's name on the form, thank you.

Parking Promise

Thank you to all of the parents that have already signed up to the Parking Promise! Car stickers have been sent home to all the families that have signed up. If you haven't it's not too late; we have ordered some more stickers please get an extra form from the office. Below is a list of families who have already signed up to the parking Promise. Thank You.

Chesterton	Fox	Ajiboye
Hussain	Maisenas	Iordache
Biba	Nicorici	Makwarimba
Lukaszewicz	Cimpean	Costin
Thomlinson	Dedman	Gautam
Lukaszewicz	Thornton	Castles
Lewis	Sarpong	Padua
Sarpong	Holloway-Smith	Kotecha
Bernotaite	Begu	Eldo
Gabrys	Payne	Nikolova
Wolbrom	Toplis	Morgan
Dedja	Gillingham	Adeleke
Ardeleanu	Malinowska	Warren
Raza	Leaderman	O'Reilly
Lowen	Defanis	Carter
Blackwell	Galant	Zatko
Aubrey	Smith	Ratcliff
O'Neill	Fitzgerald	Okoro
Hizanu	Merazova	Mallinson
Mallinson	Isaacs	Sayers
Cleary	Yuen	Hunt
Nicoll	Harris-Fernandes	Boggis
Huang	Endisch	Lazarescu
Cazacu	Cobb	Cakoni
Smith	Sullivan	Gao
Simia	Rahmani	Eaves
Ellis	Bennett/Fuller	Cato
Jayaneththi	Omoruyi	Sanchez
Canny-Russell	Jackson	Warren
Pater-Hayes	Skuce	Humberstone
Connolly	Palotas	Benzada
Malik	Staykova	

Reminders

Before/After School – Can I remind parents that the apparatus in the playground is not to be used before or after school. Can you please keep an eye on your child/children and remind them at these times. A child broke their arm a couple of years ago whilst playing on the apparatus after school. We want to keep all children safe

Road Safety – a number of year six children have been reported running across Norton Close. They were narrowly missed by a car. We will be discussing road safety in assembly but could you please talk to your child about road safety.

Headlice – We have had a number of cases of headlice reported this term. Can you please check your child's hair and treat accordingly.

Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning on **Friday 30th January from 8.45am** and is open to **parents and carers of children in Year 2**. As well as an opportunity for an informal chat we will be talking about universal free school meals and how you can support us in claiming for Pupil Premium if you are eligible. If you are attending please come through the main reception.

Class Attendance

The classes with the best attendance from Friday of the last week before Christmas to yesterday in Reception/KS1 is 1YN with 99.2% attendance and in KS2 6YS with 97.8%.... WELL DONE 1YN and 6YS.

Group – Reception/KS1	% Possible	% Attend
Year 1 - Yasmin Naher	100	99.2
Year 2 - Jenny Gilbert	100	99.2
Year 1 - Katie Witham	100	95.6
Year 2 - Tara Sassoon	100	95
Reception - Soniya Dass	100	90.3
Reception - Kimberley Gurrey	100	82.5

Group – KS2	% Possible	% Attend
Year 6 - Yesim Soyel	100	97.8
Year 3 - Melissa Newberry	100	97.5
Year 4 - June Boothe/Donna Lees	100	96
Year 4 - Ed Farrell	100	95.8
Year 6 - Andrew Penn	100	95.7
Year 3 – Lisa Mulvihill	100	92.7
Year 5 - Sarah Day/Nadia Parker	100	92.4
Year 5 – Katie Newell	100	89.1

School Meal Charges for the Spring Term

The meal charges for the Spring Term are:

Cost per day for Nursery Children	£2.05
Costing for Junior Children	
Cost per day	£2.15
Per Week	£10.75
First Half of the Spring Term (29 days)	£62.35
Whole of the Spring Term (58 days)	£124.70
Fun-day Friday for the Whole Term	£23.65

Please use your wisepay account to pay for dinner money. If you have lost your user name and password please speak to the school office. Thank you.

Autumn/Spring Term Dates

14 th January	Reception Applications for September 2015 Close
14 th January	Standards & Curriculum Governors Meeting
15 th January	Nursery Setpoint 'Bubbles Workshop'
27 th January	Holocaust Memorial @ Bushey Academy
28 th January	3.15-6pm Chess Tournament @ Mount Grace
28 th January	Finance & Personnel Governors Meeting
28 th January	Full Governors Meeting
30 th January	Bug Buster Day
30 th January	Year 2 Parents Meeting - Coffee Morning
2 nd February	Cycle Training
5 th February	Author - Katy Morgan @ Hertswood (Year 6 girls)
5 th February	School Disco - 1.15pm to 2.45pm – FSU - 4pm to 5.30pm Year 1, 2 & 3 - 6pm to 7.30pm Year 4, 5 & 6
9 th February	Nursery Admissions open for September 2015 places
16 th to 20 th February	Half-Term
24 th February	Nursery Parent Consultation Meetings 12.30pm to 4pm
25 th February	Parent Consultation Meetings 3.10pm to 6pm
26 th February	Parent Consultation Meetings 5pm to 8pm
2 nd March	Year 6 parents receive Secondary Place Allocations from Admissions

5 th March	Year 3 to the Chiltern Open Air Museum
16 th March	Science Week
17 th March	MAD Science in
18 th March	Year 2 to visit Paradise Wildlife Park
18 th March	Year 4 Setpoint 'Lighting it Up workshop'
18 th March	Chess Tournament at Mount Grace
19 th March	Governor Visit Day
19 th March	Science Evening 6-7pm
20 th March	Nursery Admissions for September 2015 close
25 th March	Year 3 Setpoint 'Light & Dark Workshop'
25 th March	Full Governors Meeting
26 th March	Year 4 Science Technology Event at Woodlands
26 th March	Singing Sherlock Performance at The Ark Theatre 7.30pm to 9pm
2 nd April	School Finishes for Easter Holidays at 2pm

Class Assemblies

	9.15am	9.45am
16 th January	2TS	-
23 rd January	3MN	2JG
30 th January	5DP	1YN
6 th February	6AP	1KW
27 th February	6YS	Reception - SD
6 th March	5KN	Reception - KG
13 th March	4EF	Nursery
20 th March	4JB	-
27 th March	3LM	-

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