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Newsletter 1

Friday 7th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome

Term 1 is off to a wonderful start. The Year 1 and Year 2 children have already settled well into their new classes and it has been lovely to see them all back at school after the Summer break. We have also started welcoming the new Nursery and Reception children and their families this week as part of their phased induction.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Piper, Miss Davies and Mrs Arnold to our staff team.

Wear Jeans, Change Lives

On **Friday 21st Sept** we would like children and staff to come to school and nursery **wearing Jeans** and bring a donation of £1 as we will be supporting Jeans for Genes day.

Jeans for Genes is a National charity raising money for children with genetic disorders, to fund the care and support they need now and the research which could change their futures.

Children and staff should wear their usual school uniform on the top half of their bodies and just switch skirts, trousers or shorts for a pair of jeans for the day!

You can visit the charity's website for more information

www.jeansforgenesday.org



Meet the teacher for Y1 and Y2

The week after next, we invite parents of children in Year 1 and Year 2 into school to meet your child's class teacher and find out a bit more about the learning and routines in your child's new class. These meetings will begin at **2.30 pm** and will take place in your child's classroom. Entrance will be through the classroom door. The meetings will finish at 2.50 pm in order for teachers to get children ready for home. However, teachers will be available after the children have gone, until 3.30 p.m. to answer any questions.

Y1 Meet the Teacher meetings (*Moles and Rabbits*): Monday 17th September 2018

Y2 Meet the Teacher meetings (*Badgers and Squirrels*): Tuesday 18th September 2018

Flu vaccination programme 2018-19

The Gloucestershire Immunisation Service will be delivering the nasal flu vaccination programme to all children in reception through to year five in schools across Gloucestershire. For those children who either missed their vaccination in school or do not attend school, they will be holding community clinics at different venues across the county. More information will follow.

Names in clothing please!

All the children look so smart at the start of this term. Please make sure that everything your child wears or brings to nursery and school is named. We do have a lost property box, but it is so much easier to reunite children with their belongings when they have a name in them. We would also ask you to check that it is your child's uniform that goes into the wash each week as it is easy to pick up someone else's clothing by mistake!

Friends of Hatherley - We Need You!

All parents with children at this school are automatically 'Friends of Hatherley'. The 'Friends' contribute greatly to many areas of school life and benefits all the children. Please support us by coming to the next meeting on **Friday 12th October** at 9.00am which will be run by Mrs Sam Buckley (Family Support Worker) to find out about fundraising and events this year, including planning the Christmas Fayre.

P.E. kit

PE lessons will start next week in school, so please could you ensure your child has a suitable PE kit in school. PE kit should comprise of a pair of shorts, white or pale blue t-shirt and a pair of plimsolls/daps. Health and Safety regulations do not allow children to wear earrings in P.E. lessons. If children do wear stud earrings to school they must be able to take them out INDEPENDENTLY. If this is not possible, they must cover their earrings with adhesive tape. Please mark all P.E. clothing clearly with your child's name.

Attendance

The children have got off to a fantastic start in Year 1 and Year 2 with really good attendance and punctuality this week. It has really helped the children settle into their new classes. The school attendance percentage is currently 97.8% which is above the national expectation of 97%. Please support us to maintain the excellent start by ensuring your child attends every day and arrives on time.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 17th September – Y1 Meet the Teacher meeting

Tuesday 18th September – Y2 Meet the Teacher meeting

Wednesday 19th September - Reading coffee morning for Y2 parents

Friday 21st September – Jeans for Genes Day – wear your jeans to nursery and school for a £1 donation

Tuesday 25th September – E-Safety workshop for parents – 9.15am

Wednesday 26th September – Reading coffee morning for Y1 parents

Friday 28th September – Photographer – individual photographs for school and Nursery

Friday 28th September – Macmillan coffee morning and afternoon held in Nursery

We want to ensure your needs are met. If you would like this document in any other format, please contact us: admin@hatherley-inf.gloucs.sch.uk

