



# Newsletter

7th September 2018

## Reminders

- It is important that all of your details on Parentmail are up to date. Please login and check your details are correct. As of September 2018 we will be issuing the majority of our correspondence via Parentmail. This will include consent forms for trips, photograph consent and annual general consent. If you are not currently signed up for Parentmail updates, please contact the school office to do this.
- Please ensure you supervise your child before school. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that your children enter the building. They should not be on the grass or climbing.
- Parents are only able to access the building through the main entrance. Please do not attempt to enter the building through any other doors unless you are invited to do so by the teacher.
- There will be no access to a school toilet for visitors / parents until 9am and 3.15pm due to congestion in the main entrance.
- Any medical appointments should be taken out of school hours and if this is a hospital appointment then an appointment card or letter needs to be shown to the school office.

## INSET Days 2018-2019

14th September  
21st September  
25th February  
22nd July

Childcare available on September  
and February dates.

## Polling Day 2019

2nd May 2019—school closed to  
children

## 2018-2019 Diary Dates

Further dates / details will be  
sent out shortly regarding our  
annual school calendar of  
events.

## WELCOME BACK!

What a great start back to our school year!

It is my pleasure to introduce myself as head teacher of Hurst Hill Primary School and I am Mrs Keen. Many of you know me already because I was Deputy Head last year.

I would also like to introduce the rest of the senior leadership team at Hurst Hill:

Mrs Johnson—Deputy Head Teacher and Early Years Leader

Mrs Fryer—Year 1 and 2 Leader and Curriculum Leader

Mrs Weaver—Y3 and 4 Leader and Maths Leader

Mrs Hull—Y 5 and 6 Leader and English Leader.

Our photos will soon be up on a board in the main entrance so you can get to know everyone!

## WE ARE HERE TO HELP

If you or your child have a worry or a concern about anything to do with school life then please do not hesitate to get in touch. I am at the main school entrance every morning for any whole school queries.

If your concern is about something that has happened in class or at break / lunchtime then please see the class teacher directly on their door. Please give the class teacher chance to help resolve any issues as they are the ones who see your child each day.

If you feel that the matter has not been resolved by the class teacher then please contact the year group leader stated above.

## Music Lessons

Music lessons will be taking place on the following days and will be starting next week:

Thursday morning—Keyboard lessons

We do have places available for keyboard lessons. Please contact the school office to collect an information pack if you are interested. They cost £75 per term for weekly lessons (13 lessons per term). Keyboards are provided by school for these lessons to happen.

**School Meals: £2.30**

Drinks: Milk—free Water—free

**Snack Trolley**

**Toast—26p per round**

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### **Behaviour and Hard Work Incentives:**

#### **House Points**

Every day children are able to receive house points for good work or behaviour. These get recorded in class and get tallied up at the end of the week to see which team has won. All children are placed in a house team either roses, thistles, shamrocks or daffodils. If you are not sure of your child's house team, please contact the office team.

#### **Raffle Tickets**

Children can receive raffle tickets for extra special work / behaviour in class. They write their name on the back and put it in the class pot which is then drawn each half term. Children receive prizes from the teacher's class prize pot.

#### **Star of the Week**

Each week class teachers will choose their star pupil of the week. Parents will be notified so we can invite you in to Friday's assembly, to see your child receive their certificate.

#### **Postcard Home**

Each week class teachers will let me know if they have any pupils in their class who require extra recognition. I will then write a postcard home explaining why we are proud of them and post them for you to receive.

#### **Star of the Term—Our VIPs**

Each term class teachers will choose one pupil who they feel has behaved impeccably. These pupils will get to choose a reward as a group such as bringing their scooters / bikes to school for an afternoon or a cinema afternoon... Their good work or photo will be displayed in our Hot Board at the front of school.

#### **Golden Time**

Each pupil will receive 20 minutes golden time (extra play) each half term for good behaviour. If there are incidents logged of poor behaviour then the pupil loses 5 minutes of this time for each incident.

### **Attendance**

**4th September 2018 — 6th September 2018**

Each week the class with the highest attendance wins our class hippo and all of the class achieve house points.

1st place—3SW—100% Fantastic attendance! Well done!

2nd Place—3/4RW—99% - Great effort, nearly there!

### **Car Wash and Cake Sale**

Over the holiday Hurst Hill supported the AW Kickboxing Club to raise money to help send their team to world championships in Rome, Italy.

They completed a car wash and cake sale which raised £195 towards their funds.

### **Collecting Your Child From School**

School finishes at 3pm and you need to ensure that you are here to collect your child on time. Please contact school in an emergency so we are aware you will be late. In line with academy policy, every family is given 3 opportunities per academic year, whereby a child can be collected late due to unforeseen circumstances. After these 3 opportunities, we will then begin charging for childcare. Each 15 minute block will incur a £5 child care charge.

### **Safeguarding**

We all have a responsibility for the welfare of our children. If something concerns you about the welfare of a child within school then please contact the class teacher in the first instance who will refer to the Schools Designated Safeguarding Leads within school. If you have concerns which **are not** school based you can: Call the children's services referral and advice service on **0300 555 0050** during office hours (9am - 5pm). Out of office hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 555 8574** or in an **emergency call 999**. Alternatively you can call ChildLine on **0800 1111** or email them by visiting [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

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