



Newsletter

19th October 2018

Reminders

- If your child is absent and you leave an **answerphone** message, please state the nature of your child's illness and not just illness.
- We still have parents who haven't returned all of their **consent forms**, particularly the computer consent. Your children can't use school computers without this so please sign and send back.
- **Please don't congest** classroom door exits. If you need to speak to the teacher please wait until all pupils have been released.
- Please make sure your children are **supervised** before and after school. No children should be in the road, in the turning circle or on public roads on their own.

Party Time!

This week saw the return of Hurst Hill's super PTA **disco**. We had a Halloween theme and the children really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to the PTA for all their efforts in organising it. I will report next week how much the PTA made from organising the disco.

Thank you to everyone who has completed a **parent questionnaire** about the school values, mission statement and logo. I am just collating responses and I will report back to you asap.

Book Shares and Parents' Evening

The **KS2 book share** is on Monday 22nd October from 2.30pm. It is a great opportunity to see your children's work and understand more about what they have been learning. Just drop in!

It is our **Parents' Evenings** on Tuesday 23rd October 3.15-5pm and Wednesday 24th October until 7pm. If you have not been able to book a slot or are unsure about the booking system, then please ask the class teacher.

School Photos on Monday

It is **school photo** day on Monday. All children who attend school from Nursery to Y6 will have their photo taken on their own and with any siblings. Any siblings who don't yet attend nursery, please come in from 8.15am to have your photos taken.

Competitions

The winners of our Dudley Catering Service **colouring competition** are Mia in Reception and Sophie in Mrs Johal's class. Well done girls! Both have received food / cooking books as their prizes.

We will be running a **Christmas Card** competition on behalf of our local MP Pat McFadden. He has asked any pupils to design a Christmas card on A4 paper with the child's name, age and school written on the back. He has asked that the design reflects him as a member of parliament. All cards need to be returned to school by 5th November so we can post them. Winners will have their card printed and used across Dudley, will win a prize and be invited to the Lord Mayor's parlour in Wolverhampton with their family.

INSET Days 2018-2019

25th February
22nd July
Childcare available on
February date.

Polling Day 2019
2nd May 2019—school
closed

Music Lessons

Mrs Jones will be at parents' evening on Wednesday to talk with parents about music lessons.

We currently have vacancies for **keyboard and guitar lessons**. Please speak to Mrs Jones if you are interested or contact the school office. Payment plans are available and instruments are free to borrow!



School Meals: £2.30
Drinks: Milk—free Water—free

Snack Trolley
Toast—26p per round

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Stars of the Week!

Mrs Fryer / Mrs Hunt's Class—Georgia
Miss Davis' Class—Hayden
Miss Williams' Class— Alfie
Mrs Westwood's Class— Crystal
Mrs Weaver's Class— Finley
Mrs Johal's Class— Shyla
Mrs Hull's Class— Aimee
Mr Russell's Class— Teagan

Well done everyone! Next week, it is star of the half-term!



Attendance



8th October—12th October
Attendance needs to be 100%!

Joint 1st place—**2NW and 4AJ**—100% - Fantastic!

3rd Place— **5/6DR**—99% Great effort—Keep it up!

Children who achieved 100% attendance last year will get their prize so don't worry. We will be in touch with our plans

Well Done KS1!

KS1 pupils collected 36kgs worth of food as part of their Harvest festival. The Black Country **food bank** send their thanks and have explained that is 72 meals for families and individuals in the local community. It will be used in emergency food parcels. Well done!

2018-2019 Diary Dates

An annual calendar will be sent out shortly but key dates are as follows:

22nd October—School Photos
22nd October—KS2 Book Share
22nd October—KS1 Road Safety Talk
23rd and 24th October—Parents' Evening
25th October—Mufti Day
26th October—Half Term!

House Points



Thistles—400

Shamrocks—311

Daffodils—529

Roses—592

Well done Roses!

We Say Goodbye...But Hello Again!

It is with much sadness that we announce Mrs Hunt will be leaving us at the end of next week. She has worked at Hurst Hill for many years and has decided that now is the time for her to dedicate more time to her family commitments.

Mrs Hunt will be replaced in Y1/2 with **Mrs Jones** who worked in school last year so the children already know her. The class share will continue with Mrs Fryer. I am sure all parents wish Mrs Hunt the very best.

Autumn Half Term Activities

All parents have been emailed about the range of **activities** that are available in Dudley over the half term holiday. It also covers the available child care providers. The website is <http://fis.dudley.gov.uk/fsd/>

Dudley Catering Services

On 24th October, to celebrate Autumn and Harvest, Dudley Catering Services are providing additional items on the menu at lunchtimes. Harvest festival cake (carrot and pumpkin cake) and Festive Flapjack (pumpkin flapjack) will also be available!

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

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