

Friday
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2024



HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter

Honesty, Attitude, Respect, Resilience, Caring

Caring: Coseley local councillors are appealing for volunteers to form a 'Friends of King George's Field' association. The field in **Hurst Hill** (next to our school) needs improvements. However, the work to secure funding requires a volunteer or 'Friends' group, which can independently apply for funding for things such as play and keep fit equipment. If you are interested in volunteering and joining the 'Friends Group', or if you can help in any way, we are hoping to hold a meeting to explore options and create a plan of action. Please contact Councillor Peter Drake for further information, either by email (peter.drake@dudley.gov.uk) or telephone/text **07971 524254**.

This week years three and four worked really hard and promoted super discussions and teamwork during the semi-final of the Book Quiz. Unfortunately, Blowers Green Primary pipped us to the post, so we are not in the final, but I could not be more proud. They were excellent role models for Hurst Hill. Thank you to Mrs Floyd and Mrs Waterfield, as well as all the parents and pupils who supported us during this event.

Hurst Hill football team had a fantastic afternoon at the Hales Valley Football tournament on Thursday – I think many parents heard them singing on our return to school! We were successful in defeating Priory in the first round, but the Trust winners were Lapal and Lutley. I was very impressed by their positivity and team work – well done Team.

A huge thank you also to Miss Walters for her hard work as our football team manager. Watch this space for our home games coming up soon – we are hoping to hold them on King George's field.

Have a super weekend ☺ Mrs Johnson



DIARY DATES

Thursday 7th March- World Book Day

Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th March- Parents' evening & Book fair

Tuesday 12th March- Oracy debate

Thursday 14th March- Y2 INSPIRE

Monday 18th March- Y6 WW2 workshop

Wednesday 20th March Y1 Wild Zoo visit

Thursday 21st March School Disco

Friday 22nd March EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

School closes at 3.30pm on 22nd March for the Easter Holidays





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Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%. The 100% winner this week is Isla in year 5. The winning class is Miss Floyd's class

The Department of Education has made it clear that schools must be stricter when dealing with families whose children are persistently absent or late for school. A child's absence from school can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, for example, if they are too poorly to attend or if they have a medical appointment that cannot be made outside school hours. If your child is persistently absent or regularly late for school, whatever the circumstances, a referral may be made to Dudley Education Investigation Service, and this could result in a fine.

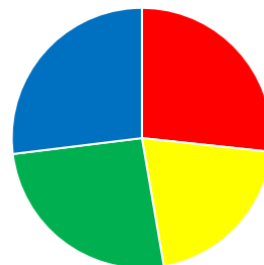
If you are having difficulty getting your child to school, or to school on time, please contact the school office so we can offer some support. Please note that school will not authorise holidays during the school term and that our policy is to refer such absences of 5 school days or more to Dudley Education Investigation Service who may issue a fine. If your child is too ill to come to school then you should **contact the school office before 9.30am**, either by telephoning 01384 818845 (option 1) or using the absence reporting feature on ParentMail. Do not use our social media pages to report absences. Please remember that school can administer medication in certain circumstances



We use house points to reward pupils for following our school rules and values.

This week our house points totals are:
Ruby 202, Diamond 156, Emerald 195 & Sapphire 204.

Well done Sapphires!



Star Pupils of the week

have shown our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring.

Reception- Freya-Leigh for caring for others

Year 1- Bella for respect towards others

Year 2- Paris for positive attitude in lessons

Year 3- Noah for resilience in class

Year 4- Gary for positive attitude to targets

Year 5- Olivia for positive attitude in learning

Year 6- Amelia for positive attitude to school



Our skills builders this week are:

Riley, Ava-May, Sophie, Jessica, Imani and Greyson

Our Century winners are:

Annalise, Amelia, Max and Lily-Mae

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Please see below the KS2 spellings for the next two weeks.

Spelling tests will take place weekly.

Pupils will focus on the same spelling for two weeks, so that the spelling rule is embedded.

Year 3 and Year 4 Spellings			
Look and Say	Look Say and Write	Cover and Write	Check and Write Again
century			
certain			
circle			
complete			
consider			

Year 5 Spelling 26. 2. 24 – 11. 3. 24

Words ending with '-sion' and '-ssion' (the shun sound).

'-sion' is usually used when the root word ends in 'd', 'de' or 'se'.

televise → television

'-ssion' is used when the root word ends in 'ss' or 'mit'.

discuss → discussion

Careful – there are some exceptions to this rule.

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| 1. collision | 6. expression |
| 2. permission | 7. conclusion |
| 3. decision | 8. profession |
| 4. discussion | 9. intrusion |
| 5. tension | 10. *mystery word |

Year Six Spellings 26. 2. 24 – 11. 3. 24

Words with silent letters

Silent letters are letters that you don't hear when you say a word.

The 'b', 'l' and 'k' are all silent letters in these words.

doubt would know

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|-------------|-------------------|
| 1. doubt | 6. fascinated |
| 2. scene | 7. ascend |
| 3. wreckage | 8. exhaust |
| 4. guitar | 9. design |
| 5. vehicle | 10. *mystery word |