



NEWSLETTER

25th September 2020

Another Busy Week!

Year 6's PE unit this half term is a dance unit. They have been working so hard and enjoying the unit. The effort from the pupils is amazing. They have shown really good skills. Well done!

Dudley council have recommended that masks are worn on site when dropping off and collecting your children. We will be selling handmade Hurst Hill masks for £4 in our school colours. If you wish to purchase one, please ring the school office to order. Money should be placed in a labelled envelope and we will then get your mask to you.

Children in our afterschool club have adapted really well to the new routine and their behaviour has been excellent. We have a few spaces left on certain days, so please contact the school office if your circumstances have changed and you need a place.

For children who are self-isolating, we have schoolwork available on Google classroom, an online portal, where we can upload videos, activities and website links. It is of the upmost importance that children engage with the work set so that when they return to school, they are at a point to continue with their year group's learning. Details on how to access Google classroom have been sent by ParentMail, and are also available on the school website.

Finally, a huge congratulations to our learning mentor, Miss McBride, who has given birth to a beautiful baby girl named Annabel.

Have a super weekend!
Best wishes, from Mrs Keen

Attendance

Our school attendance this week is 96%. 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 by using the absence reporting on ParentMail. Don't forget to tell us the reason for the absence and how long you expect your child to be off.

We know there are a lot of colds and sore throats but if your child is well enough, they need to be in school. We can administer liquid paracetamol if you bring it in and give us signed permission.

Well done to Reception and 5AJDW with full attendance this week!
Well done to both classes. Year 1 were runners up again this week with 98.67%.

Reception: 100%
1HR: 98.67%
2RW: 94%
3SW: 97.78%
3/4LF: 94.44%
4DR: 95.86%
5AWDJ: 100.00%
5/6JA: 98.07%
6AJ: 97.14%

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**.

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RESPECT

Star Pupils of the Week show our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring:

Nursery—Aiyarna for resilience when completing her first full day

Reception—Jacob for being caring towards his classmates.

Year 1—Anshika for a positive attitude to her learning

Year 2—Ava-May for a positive attitude towards her writing.

Year 3—Jailen for resilience when learning new skills

Year 3/4—Mia for a positive attitude to learning

Year 4—Tyler for showing a positive attitude to work

Year 5—Abigail for resilience by working consistently hard on improving her handwriting

Year 5/6—Brandon-Lee for resilience in all subjects

Year 6—Finley for caring for his peers.

CARING

Parents must follow the one way system and collection arrangements please. This is so we can take care of each other and is inline with government guidance. Some parents are still not following this so **PLEASE:**

- All adults stay 2m away from each other.
 - Wear a face mask
- Do not gather in groups at the school gate or on the playground.
- Appointments only to the school office. Please ring instead.
 - Leave pushchairs at the front of school.
 - Only 1 adult must drop off and collect to minimise congestion around the building.
 - Do not arrive before 8.30am or 3pm.

HONESTY

We use housepoints at Hurst Hill to reward pupils for following our school rules and values. This week our house point totals are:

Ruby—90
Diamond—81
Emerald—113
Sapphire—85

Well done to this week's winners—Emeralds!

RESILIENCE

Currently on TTRS, year 5/6 are winning against year 6, year 5 are beating year 4 whilst year 3 are winning against year 3/4.

It's all changed at the top! The current top scorers are:

Year 2—Melissa

Year 3 and 4—Amelia and Bhavvaya

Year 5 and 6—Kayden, Markuss and Charlotte

I can't wait to see who the class winners are next week!

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

This week we have been trying really hard with our reading. There have been some fantastic improvements in classes since last week, well done! A special mention to 3/4 LF— a fantastic word count for your class; what an improvement!

Below is the word count for each class

2RW - 2,918
3SW - 35,141
3/4LF - 26,322
4DR - 107,273
5AWDJ - 170,352
5/6JA - 66,651
6AJ - 167,685

Well done Mrs Jones & Mrs Walker's class for the highest word count!

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