



# NEWSLETTER

23rd October, 2020

## We Made it to Half-Term!

All parents will have received a letter about us moving back to **daily hot dinners** in classrooms after half term. Please ensure money comes to school in a labelled envelope.

We are selling **face masks** on behalf of the Russells Hall maternity unit. The masks will be available to purchase for £4 from the school office. Please put money in an envelope. The money will go towards building a new Bereavement suite.

We came second across the whole of the West Midlands for our **walk to school** initiative, Living Streets! We were the only school in Dudley to be in the top 10! Well done everyone.

Thanks to all parents who were able to receive phone calls from us for **parents evening** this term. It is a very different way of doing it but hopefully, still a way of ensuring key messages are passed on. The most important support parents can give at home is to listen to your children read, write in their planners and read stories to your children.

On 5th November at 8pm, Dudley Council are running a **free fireworks event** that residents should be able to see from their homes. If you tune in to Black Country Radio on 102.5FM, there will be a synchronised soundtrack to accompany the fireworks. They are holding this so you don't have to host your own. Most organised events have been cancelled so this a safer way of still being able to enjoy bonfire night.

There is a child who attends one of our Trust schools who has been diagnosed with a brain tumour. The school and Trust are fundraising for him so he can receive treatment in Germany. Please visit the GoFundMe page on [www.gofundme.com/f/peptide-vaccine](http://www.gofundme.com/f/peptide-vaccine) if you would like to make a donation.

A big thank you to all parents and staff who have followed the rules to ensure that Hurst Hill stays safe.

During the half term holiday, should anyone in your household have Covid symptoms or test positive **you MUST inform us** by email on [info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk)

Don't forget, we return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.  
Have a super half-term and stay safe :)

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.

**If anyone in your household has symptoms of Coronavirus or is having a covid test you must tell us straightaway. Children will not be able to come to school whilst anyone in the household is waiting for test results. If you are uncertain of what to do please call the school office for advice.**

Well done to **Miss Round's** class for 100% attendance this week!  
Mrs Fryer's class were the runners up.

Reception: 97.77%
1HR: 100%
2RW: 94.66%
3SW: 95.38%
3/4LF: 99.62%
4DR: 93.92%
5AWDJ: 98.00%
5/6JA: 98.46%
6AJ: 95.17%

## **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**.

# HONESTY-POSITIVE ATTITUDE-RESPECT-RESILIENCE-CARING

## RESPECT

Star Pupils of the half term have shown all of our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring:

Nurture— Luke  
Nursery— Seren  
Reception— Alfie  
Year 1— George  
Year 2— Ebony  
Year 3— Amelia  
Year 3/4— Jenson  
Year 4— Crystal  
Year 5— Liam  
Year 5/6— Amelia  
Year 6— Daisy

## 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. PLEASE:

- All adults stay 2m away from each other.
- Wear a face mask that covers your nose and mouth
- 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 house points at Hurst Hill to reward pupils for following our school rules and values. This week our house point totals are:

Ruby—197, Diamond—180, Emerald—198 and Sapphire—177

There was only 1 house point difference between 1st and 2nd place this week! Well done to this week's winners— Emerald!

## Get Fit With Football

### Half Term Football Camp

Location: Goals Black Country, Darlaston Lane, WV14 7BL

Dates: 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Start Time: 10am

Collection Time: 1pm

Cost: £10 Per Day Or £25 For All 3 Days

Ages 6 – 15

1. FA Qualified Coaches
2. Fully Insured
3. First Aid Trained
4. Safeguarding Trained

5. Medal Ceremony On Final Day!

6. Please Book ASAP To Secure Your Place – Limited Spaces



Call, Text or Whatsapp, Ashley on 07879 334683 to confirm your place and receive payment info.

Please pack a lunch/snacks & drink.

Email: [getfitwithfootball@outlook.com](mailto:getfitwithfootball@outlook.com)

## POSITIVE ATTITUDE

AR results this week: Below is the word count for each class

2RW - 7,556

3SW - 21,834

3/4LF - 27,294

4DR - 190,732

5AWDJ - 102,922

5/6JA - 291,040

6AJ - 355,678

Century teaches and reviews reading, maths and science content. It asks pupils questions, and if they don't know the answer, it teaches them how to do it.

Winners this week are:

Vivaan (3SW), Sasha (3/4LF), Tyler (4DR)

Emily (5AWDJ) Holly (5/6JA) & Grace (6AJ)

Well done to all of you! Keep up the good work :)

## RESILIENCE

Times Tables Rock Stars!

### Results of Battles:

Year 2 won against year 1, year 5/6 won against year 5, year 3/4 won against year 3 and year 6 won against year 4!

### Class leaders:

Year 6— Reece

Year 3/4— Sky

Year 5/6— Holly

Year 3— Libby

Year 5— Kayden

Year 2— Max

Year 4— Charlotte