



NEWSLETTER

26th February ,2021

Your Fortnightly Update...

Back to School...

We all received the news this week that all pupils will return to school on 8th March. The arrangements will be very much like they were in September with a staggered start and end to the school day, access through classroom doors, one way systems, 1 parent only to drop off and collect their child, 2m social distancing between all adults, wearing of face masks on school site etc...I will write to all parents next week to confirm these arrangements. It will be so lovely to see everyone in school again. We will also have had all the windows, doors, fascias, soffits and all the flood damage work completed. It is like a new school and I can't wait to show the pupils!

Updates:

We are back to serving hot meals at school each day. There are 3 choices; the hot meal of the day (on the menu), a jacket potato with cheese and beans or a sandwich grab bag.

We have also had a new bike rack fitted around by Nursery at the back of school. Pupils can use this to ensure their bikes are secure during the day, as they are then locked between the school gates.

Our new school website www.hursthillprimaryschool.com now has a gallery page to share some celebration photos of your children. Please have a look at the area in the Children's tab, Year group galleries. We have been sharing excellent work, homework and awards. We always check your permissions before posting a photo on the website. If you would like a photo of your child put in the gallery, with a certificate or piece of excellent work, then please email it to info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk

Parent Feedback

Thank you to all parents who completed the parent remote learning feedback which was really positive. 95% of parents said they were happy with our remote learning provision and 91% of parents said they felt that the support they had received from class teachers had been good or better. This is really good news for us, and this provision will continue until 8th March and if a bubble has to close. We have looked at all the feedback and have contacted parents who had individual comments that needed a response.

We will be completing our Parents' Evening this term on the telephone again, like last time. Parent feedback was good last time, so we will organise it the same again. It will be week commencing 29th March (the last week of term)

We will send letters to all parents in due course so you can book time slots. We will be able to talk to you about remote learning, how your child has settled back into school and talk to you about targets that we will now be working on to help your child catch -up.

Stay safe
Mrs Keen

Attendance

All pupils who are not attending school currently, must be completing education at home. If your child is ill, you need to ring school and let us know, just like you would if they were in school. Please ring 01384 818845 to let the school office know or email info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk. They will then be marked as ill and we will not expect any work to be submitted for them that day. **All other pupils must be completing their work daily.** If your child attends school part time, then they need to complete remote learning on the other days at home.

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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POSITIVE ATTITUDE

We have been trying really hard with our reading. This week 5/6JA had the most words read—

Well Done Miss Abley's class!

Below is the word count for each class

2RW—40,009
3SW - 51,212
3/4LF - 99,785
4DR—126,669
5AWDJ - 79,354
5/6JA - 270,894
6AJ - 78,596

Submitted Work Competition

The winners of the best home learning effort this week are

Reception— Lily, Avril, Jude and Elijah
Year1— Jaxon and Domas
Year 2— Leighton and William
Year 3— Felix
Year 4— Evie D
Year 5— Andrew
Year 6—Evie T

RESILIENCE

The current top scorers on TTRS are:

Year 2— Abdullah Year 3— Vivaan Year 3/4— Sasha

Year 4— Aminta Year 5 — Maisie Year 5/6 — Holly Year 6— Reece

Aim to play for at least 10 minutes everyday and you could be our top scorer!

Century

The century winners over the last fortnight are:

Years 3 and 4— Libby & Elliot

Years 5 and 6— Holly & Sophie

CARING

We will be starting to run our Level 1 Teaching Assistant course again for parents to access if they are interested in working in a school. The course is free and organised by Dudley College.

Due to Covid 19, this training started in school and then had to stop. It will start again now online. It will be recorded modules so you can access the training any time to work around your personal circumstances.

When you have completed the modules you will have qualified with a Cache Level 1 Preparing to Work in a School.

We will be sending a letter to all parents next week with information about how to apply

RESPECT

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

Nursery— Daniel for positive attitude to group work

Reception— Annalise for positive attitude to learning

Year 1—Logan for positive attitude to learning

Year 2—Mia for positive attitude in improving work.

Year 3— Kayden for resilience in Maths

Year 3/4—Joel for resilience in handwriting and maths

Year 4— Wesley for positive attitude to learning

Year 5—Charlie for resilience in home learning

Year 5/6—Imogen for positive attitude to learning

Year 6— Kyron for positive attitude to maths.

Stars of the half term were:

Paris, Jude, Connor, Maisie, Megan, Felix, Sasha, Sky, Imogen, Crystal, Aditiya and Kaiya who all received a prize for their hard work!

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— 50, Diamond —63, Emerald —87, Sapphire—110

Well done to this week's winners— Sapphires!

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