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HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter

Honesty – Attitude – Resilience – Respect – Caring

This week, children of Hurst Hill have opened their classroom doors to a number of visitors. Our visitors have given such wonderful feedback about our pupils and how they have been showing our school values.

The children in Key Stage Two, have taken part in Reflexions workshops this week, where they have been learning about emotions. The feedback from children was very positive and they have showed their enthusiasm for workshops to continue next year. Our visitors from reflexions said how polite, hardworking and welcoming our children are at Hurst Hill.

This week our children in Nursery and Reception have enjoyed a visit from Ocado, where they had chance to step inside a delivery van and learn all about the robots that collect the food for delivery. Ocado were very generous, giving every child in EYFS a toy Ocado van, sweets and copious amounts of fruit. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Next week, Nursery will be having a visit from a paramedic and a Nurse which will end their topic on people who help us.

Coming up next week, we have the PTA Bingo Night on Thursday. The PTA look forward to seeing you there.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Weaver

Assistant Head of School

DIARY DATES

Monday 22nd May– Pioneer Parent meeting

Tuesday 23rd May– Year 3 INSPIRE session

Thursday 25th May– Last day of Half Term– break up at 3pm

Monday 5th June- INSET day

Tuesday 6th June– Return to school for first day of Summer 2 & Reception INSPIRE session

Tuesday 13th June– Year 6JG INSPIRE session

Tuesday 20th June- Year 2 INSPIRE and Trust Arts event at Dudley Town Hall

Tuesday 27th June- Year 6MJ INSPIRE session

Wednesday 28th June-Friday 30th June– Y6 Pioneer



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Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%. The 100% winner is Tilly in year 5. The winning class this week is Mrs Garbett's class with 100%

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



RESPECT

Star Pupils of the week have shown our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring.

Year 1– Paris for caring towards others

Year 2– Isla-Mai for positive attitude to all subjects



Year 3- Arjun for positive attitude to all subjects

Year 4—Abdullah for resilience in his work



Year 5– Isaac for positive attitude to lessons

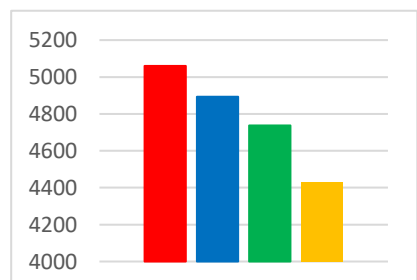
Year 6MJ–Isabell for resilience in Maths

Year 6JG– Sebastian for caring for others

HONESTY

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

This week our house points totals are:
Ruby 175 , Diamond 246, Emerald 212 & Sapphire 195.
Well done Diamonds!



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PHONICS

Phonics - the teaching of sounds and their corresponding letters, is paramount in KS1 as it lays the foundations for reading. All KS1 children across the country complete a statutory phonics test every June - this is more commonly known as the Phonics Screening Check. Poor attendance, illness and late starts to the school day, can impact on a child's ability to develop strong foundations and consequently some children can struggle with reading. I therefore thought I would share some phonics clips for parents, who may wish to practise sounds (phonemes) and letters (graphemes) at home.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



The link consists of clips that show how to pronounce pure sounds and tricky words etc... that children need to know. If you would like any additional information, then please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Floyd - Hurst Hill's Phonics lead.

HEALTHY EATING

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/#recipes>

Please see the above link regarding hints and tips for healthy lunchboxes.

At Hurst Hill we advise the following:

- A healthy sandwich or tub of pasta
- At least one portion of fruit / vegetables
 - Yogurt
 - Water or 100% fruit juice
- One cereal type bar or club style biscuit OR a cupcake /sponge finger cake.
We do not recommend crisps unless they are baked—not fried.

Crisps are not allowed at break time - that is any form of crisps -including baked.

Beefed up sarnies recipe

Add colourful grated salad to a roast beef sandwich to provide extra fibre and vitamins to your diet.

Prep: 15 mins
Serves 4

[+ Nutritional information](#)



Ingredients

- 1 carrot, grated
- 1 cooked beetroot (vacuum packed), grated
- half a small red onion, thinly sliced
- 2 teaspoons vinegar
- 8 slices wholemeal bread
- 8 teaspoons reduced-fat mayonnaise
- 1 handful mixed salad leaves
- 4 slices lean roast beef (fat trimmed off)
- 1 pinch ground black pepper

Method

1. In a bowl, mix together the carrot, beetroot and red onion with the vinegar. Season with black pepper.

Use a couple of finely sliced spring onions instead of red onion, if you prefer.

2. Spread each slice of bread with 1 teaspoon of mayonnaise, then top 4 of them with the lettuce leaves and the roast beef. Share the salad between them, then sandwich together with the remaining slices of bread.

3. Cut in half and serve at once, or wrap and keep cool to serve later.

You could also use lean roast pork or ham instead of beef.

CENTURY

Our Century winners this week are

Olivia, Millie, Amelia, Aminta and Bentley



Our skills builders this week are:

Jax, Miles, Lily-Mae, Melissa, Joshua, Ejezie & Charlotte