

Friday
15th Sept
2023



School Newsletter

Honesty, Caring, Respect, Resilience, Positive Attitude

Settled and Happy

It has been a busy week at Hurst Hill and I can assure you that all pupils have settled in well – it feels as though the holidays are a very distant past! Routines are in place and all pupils are working hard to meet their learning targets. We have already elected our Head Pupils and I am sure you will join me in congratulating Jenson, Tilly, Jimmy and Lucy. I look forward to working with them throughout the year.

This afternoon we have elected our house captains – we shall be announcing them during assembly on Monday 😊

Communication

Communication is an essential element for a happy school. At Hurst Hill, we work hard to ensure you are kept up to date; we also listen to your opinions and try to meet requests wherever possible.

To support this, we use parent mail to send out letters/forms and text messages and our info box to receive emails. This is checked regularly between 8.15am and 3.45pm on school days. The address is info@hurst-hill.dudley.sch.uk If you have a concern, please email/call the school office on 01384 818845 or speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. If your concern remains unresolved, an appointment should be made to speak to one of our Phase Leaders – Mr Johnson (Year 3 – 6) or Miss Floyd (Nursery - Year 2). If a matter is still not resolved, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Weaver who is the Assistant Head of School and SENCO.

To contact Phase Leaders or one of the senior leaders in school, please email or call the school office and a member of staff will get back to you to make an appointment. If you then wish to contact myself, please contact the school office by telephone or email, or alternatively I am on duty every morning at the front of school.

Although we aim to get everything right and please everyone, this is not always possible, but we will always look at ways to resolve issues or concerns. Can I please ask that when speaking to members of staff, please do so with respect, as we are here to help you and do our very best for your child.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Johnson

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 3rd October- Flu Vaccinations

[Vaccination UK Immunisation](https://www.vaccination.uk)
([schoolvaccination.uk](https://www.schoolvaccination.uk))

Thursday 12th October- Sparks (fire service) to visit year 4

Thursday 19th October- School Photographs & Trust football event 1pm-3pm

Thursday 25th October- KS1 Harvest Festival



HEAD PUPILS

Our new Head Pupils are

Jenson and Tilly

Our new Deputy Head Pupils are

Jimmy and Lucy

NURSERY FLU VACCINATIONS

Children who are in our nursery are encouraged to book their flu vaccinations through their GP office

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/>

Our skills builders this week are:

Arpan, Emma, Macey, Aaliyah, Tillie & Leon



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HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%. The 100% winner this week is Ruby-Jane in year 6. The winning class this week is Mrs Weaver/Mrs Westwood's class. Well done Y4.

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



Star Pupils of the week



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

Reception– Sophie for positive attitude to settling into Reception

Year 1– Leo for positive attitude in year 1

Year 2–Louis for resilience in year 2

Year 3- Ava for positive attitude settling into year 3

Year 4–Myles for caring for others in class

Year 5– Max for positive attitude to returning back to school

Year 6– Farrel for positive attitude to year 6

Our PTA's annual general meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th October at 3.30pm.

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

This week our house points totals are:

Ruby 276, Diamond 138, Emerald 153 & Sapphire 222

Well done Rubies!

