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HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# School Newsletter

This week our wonderful PTA have been busy selling tickets for the Halloween Disco – Hurst Hill Pupils are very excited! They have also held their AGM meeting and have many exciting ideas for the year ahead, so watch this space.

We have begun our Harvest collections for the local Good Shepherd charity. We hope that you will join us in donating goods, which will go towards supporting families who are struggling with the ever-increasing cost of living. Staff at Hurst Hill also regularly donate our own collections to the local food bank, so please let us know if you would like us to pass on additional donations.

Rocksteady has continued this term and our budding musicians really enjoy performing in a band, please watch this space for the details of their up and coming assembly performance.

Next week we are facilitating parents evening for you to find out how your child has settled into their new classes and have a quick browse through their work to date. Please ensure you have booked your slot via parent mail.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents who put the safety of our pupils first and refrain from using mobile phones on school grounds.

Wishing you a wonderful (hopefully sunny) weekend.

Mrs Johnson



## DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October-** INSPIRE- Y6

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> –** Parents evening/book fair

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October-** Sparks (fire service) to visit year 4

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October -** Bright for Sight – raising money for the community

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October-** School Photographs & Trust football event 1pm-3pm

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October-** INSPIRE- Y4 & PTA Halloween Disco

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October-** KS1 Harvest Festival

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October-** SEND Coffee morning

Our skills builders this week are:

Maison, Bella, Lilly, Jacob, Scarlett, Imogen and Joshua



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## Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%.  
The 100% winner this week is Louis in Year 2. The winning class this week is Mrs Weaver/Mrs Westwood's class

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-** Akshana for positive attitude to school

**Year 1-** Carter T for resilience in writing

**Year 2-** Amarion for positive attitude to reading

**Year 3-** Lottie for caring for her friends

**Year 4-** Chay for positive attitude to school work

**Year 5-** Isabelle for positive attitude to her work

**Year 6-** Skye for positive attitude in class

Our Century winners this week are:



**CENTURY**

Isla-Mai, Lily-Mae, Melissa & Caitlyn



**CENTURY**

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

This week our house points totals are:

Ruby 238, Diamond 143, Emerald 207 & Sapphire 229

Well done Rubies!

