

Friday  
13<sup>th</sup> Oct  
2023



HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# School Newsletter

## HONESTY- CARING- RESILIENCE- ATTITUDE - RESPECT

I would like to begin with a huge thank you to all parents who attended parents' evening this week. It was very successful and we had many positive comments. This would not have been possible without the support from our junior leadership team - they did a super job looking after parents and books. 😊 Sales from the book fair this week has given us £225 worth of free books for the school library.

The Year 6 'Inspire session' was also a big success - it was pleasing to read the positive comments and I am glad the online safety focus was beneficial for pupils and parents.

Thank you so very much to everyone for their donations to the Bright for Sight fund raising - supporting the local community is very important to us and will let you know how much we raised shortly. We are continuing to support the community through our Harvest Festival collections. Please feel free to add to the food donations we are gathering by the reception desk.

Safeguarding is at the heart of all we do at Hurst Hill, this ranges from mobile phones and parking, to physical and mental wellbeing. Food allergies are an element of safeguarding, so I would like to remind you that we are a nut free school. Please do not send your children in with Snickers chocolate bars, peanuts or any sandwich spreads that may contain nut traces as this could endanger the safety of some pupils. Can I also remind you that hooped earring are not allowed in school, only studs and these should be removed for PE days and swimming.

I would like to thank you for your continuous support as always. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Johnson

## DIARY DATES

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

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October-** Y4 assembly 9am

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

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

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

*School closes at 3.30pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October  
and reopens at 8.45am on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>  
November*



Well done Maxie for achieving your yellow belt in Taekwondo.

Our skills builders this week are:

Benjamin, Grayson, Kaleb, Lily, Myles, Ebony & Ezmai



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## Attendance

**Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%.  
The winning class this week is Mrs Westwood and Weaver'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-** Ellie for caring for others

**Year 1-** Emilia for caring for the environment

**Year 2-** Leo for positive attitude to Harvest festival practice

**Year 3-** Archie for positive attitude in lessons

**Year 4-** Lily-Mae for resilience in Maths and science

**Year 5-** Kyra-May for positive attitude in lessons

**Year 6-** Isaac for positive attitude in school

Our Century winners this week are:



Jude, Olivia, Max and Daisie



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

This week our house points totals are:  
Ruby 244, Diamond 153, Emerald 141 & Sapphire 202.  
Well done Rubies!





