

Friday
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2023



HURST HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter

Honesty, Attitude, Respect, Resilience, Caring

What a busy half term we have had!

Today we break up so that pupils can have a well-deserved rest, because they have been working very hard to achieve their targets. School reopens to pupils on Tuesday November 7th.

I would like to thank all parents for their support so far this year...

Without you, our pupils would not arrive on time and prepared for the school day. Without you, we would not have been able to raise £194 for the Beacon Blind Centre. Without you we would not have been able to celebrate during the Harvest Festival or donate such a wonderful collection of food to the Good Shepherd.

Without the PTA and your support, we would not be able to facilitate Halloween discos, Inspire sessions, SEND coffee mornings and much more. Thank you 😊

Dudley swimming baths have asked me to remind families that swimming is free to all pupils under the age of 16 years during the half term break. This is an ideal opportunity for our year three pupils to practise their new swimming skills!

I'd like to give a big shout out to Year 4, Year 2 and Year 1 for their excellent assemblies this week. The children had a super time performing their songs and reciting their lines –Well done!

Just a gentle reminder that Inspire for Reception parents will be held on the first day back.

Wishing everyone a safe and wonderful half term.

Mrs Johnson



Our Century winners this week are:

Jude, Skve. Melissa & Kayden



Our skills builders this week are:

Logan, Isaac, Esme, Jude, Connor, Karena and Kai



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Attendance

Attendance at school is mandatory. Whole school attendance should be at least 96%.

The 100% winner this week is Mia in year 1

The winning class this week is Mrs Weavers/Mrs Westwood's class. Well done year 4!

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 Term

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

Reception- Benjamin

Year 1– Imani

Year 2– Kaleb

Year 3- Chelsea

Year 4—Maisy

Year 5– Isla

Year 6– Ezmai-Rose



Parents of year 6 children can now apply for their child's secondary school place.

Dudley residents should apply via

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/learning-and-school/school-information/school-admissions/secondary-year-7-intake/>

Wolverhampton residents should apply via

<https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions/school-admissions-applications>

Applications should be completed by 31st October 2023

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DIARY DATES

School closes at 3.30pm on Friday 27th October and reopens at 8.45am on Tuesday 7th November



Tuesday 7th November- Reception INSPIRE

Tuesday 14th November- Year 1 INSPIRE

Tuesday 21st November - Year 2 INSPIRE

Tuesday 28th November – Year 3 INSPIRE

Wednesday 29th November – Year 4 visit to Thinktank

Monday 4th December – Y3 TimeZone visit

Tuesday 5th December- Year 5 INSPIRE

Thursday 7th December- Sports focus day

Friday 8th December- Nursery and Reception farm visit

Tuesday 12th December- Year 4 INSPIRE

Thursday 14th December- Church service at St Mary's

Thursday 21st December- EYFS/KS1 Nativity

Friday 22nd December- School closes at 3.30pm for Christmas

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

This week our house points totals are:
Ruby 248, Diamond 260, Emerald 173 & Sapphire 185

Well done Diamonds!

