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Hurst Green Happenings

Autumn Term no 58 4th September 2020

Welcome back everyone!

We are delighted to welcome our new families and our keen and enthusiastic new Reception children. They have settled in so well already and we are looking forward to them starting full time from Monday. We are also so pleased to see all our Year 1 and Year 2 children return who all walked into school with beaming smiles! Well done.

As always, our Autumn term promises to be a busy one. We will continue to send out our Newsletters every other week but all updated dates and information can be found on our website Please be aware there will be some changes to some dates advertised due to the current situation. We welcome back Mrs Holliman from her maternity leave who will be working in Year 1 and officially welcome Ms Louise Smith who will be working in Year 2 with Miss Faulkner. We also welcome Miss Ashton who will also be working in Year 2.

Please let me reassure you that we are taking all precautions and following Government Guidelines to ensure the children and staff are all kept safe in their "Bubbles". If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Further details regarding reading books and PE kits will be sent to you in the coming weeks.

Finally, with the weather turning a little unpredictable, please can we ask that all children come in to school with a waterproof coat, named pleased, so that they can still enjoy their time outside.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs George

Penalty Notices/ Attendance

Government guidelines state that all children should be attending school now.

Should your child be absent during term time for 5 days or more (10 sessions), or if they have incurred 7 or more unauthorised sessions in the previous 6 school weeks, a penalty notice will be served.

The amount payable for a Penalty Notice issued in any of the above circumstances is £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the Notice, rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days.

Please be aware that each parent is liable to receive a Penalty Notice for each child who incurs unauthorized absences, for example, if there are two parents and one child, each parent will receive one Penalty Notice.



Sports and Clubs News

At present, we are following government guidelines and not allowing external visitors.

However, we are hoping that we will be able to bring you a full programme from next half term.

Watch this space!





During their learning journey at our school, your children will learn to read using the 'Read Write Inc' Phonics system. Children will have daily phonics sessions so will no doubt come out of school practising their new sounds. This learning progresses throughout the school with children reading and enjoying books.

It is our aim to instil a love of reading and to show the children how quickly they can become independent learners and readers with regular phonics practice. We know that parents want to help and support their children and therefore please find below a link for Read Write Inc. 'Guide for Parents',

I would urge you to watch the video to ensure that you can see and hear how your children are taught. Ideally we would hold workshops for parents to learn face to face how this programme works and how you can help but in the current Covid situation this is not possible.

https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/

Change in circumstances

As you know, due to the ever changing Covid-19 situation, we are currently experiencing challenging times in all walks of our lives. Many of your personal circumstances may have changed, particularly in terms of your employment status and the money coming into your home. If this affects you please contact the school office on office@hurstgreenschool.org and they will be able to give you more information.

This will of course be dealt with in the strictest of confidence.

Our Family Liaison Officer, Mrs Hayleigh Russell, would be happy to speak to you in more details if you have any questions.



Water Bottles

Now, more than ever, it is imperative that all children come to school with their own water bottle.

This needs to be clearly marked with their name and must only contain WATER. Any bottles with juice or

flavoured water in will be emptied out and replaced with water.

We are a water only school.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn Term 2020	
Wednesday 7th October	Harvest Assembly TBC
Wednesday 14th October	Open Morning 9.45am—11.00am
Monday 19th October	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 21st October	Parent Consultations
Friday 23rd October	Break up
26th — 30th October	Half Term
Monday 2nd November	INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd November	Return to school
Wednesday 18th November	Open Morning 9.45am—11.00am
Wednesday 9th December	Christmas Performances
& Thursday 10th December	
Friday 18th December	School closes for Christmas

Spring Term 2021	
Monday 4th January	Return to school
Friday 12th February	INSET DAY
15th—19th February	Half Term
Monday 22nd February	Return to School
Monday 8th March	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 10th March	Parent Consultations
Thursday 1st April	Break up

Summer Term 2021	
Monday 19th April	Return to school
Thursday 27th May	Break up
Friday 28th May	INSET DAY
31st May – 4th June	Half Term
Monday 7th June	Return to school
Wednesday 21st July	Last Day of Term



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