

Hudson Primary School & Children's Centre



Family Newsletter

Friday 10th November 2017



HUDSON WEEKLY LEARNING UPDATE - Headteacher: Niki Craddock

At the weekend Mrs McNally and I were lucky enough to be invited to the Institution of the Reverend Janice Hill. The event took place at St Andrew's church in Maghull on Sunday and we got to welcome her into our community as the new Reverend for the churches of Maghull and Melling. This means Janice will now be the representative for St Peter's church and hopefully we will see more of her as she links with our school through the church. I am hoping this will be as successful very soon as the link we had with Michael Follin was strong, however Janice has many churches to lead on so fingers crossed we can get this up and running for the special moments we have at Christmas.

Assessment time arrived at Hudson this week. Children have been working hard to show off their capabilities and work with their teachers and teaching assistants to demonstrate their progress. The children will next week know more about the outcomes of these as they conference with the teachers and discuss successes and next targets to work really push their developments on. There is lots that you can do to support this at Hudson, have a look at our homework section at the end of the newsletter.

Not to let the week go by without some sort of extraordinary activity, Mrs Pritchard took her class on their Learning Journey visit to Staircase house in Stockport. A medieval grade 2 listed house that showcases lifestyles from the 17th century, the children gain great insight into home life and the momentous Tudor times not forgetting The Great Fire of London. I know the children gain so much knowledge and interest of British culture and History from this visit, many thanks to Mrs Pritchard and the fabulous volunteers who helped this experience to go ahead smoothly.

Wednesday brought more cheers and success for our very talented footballers. Our second home game match against St Gregory's brought a **superb 5-1 victory!!** Well done Team Hudson and many thanks again to our coaches John Scott and Stephen Sullivan (Sully). Fingers crossed for our friendly game for Y4/3 on Monday against St Georges and our Year 5/6 on Wednesday. Due to both matches this coming week, we will not be running our usual football club - but please feel free to bring your children to support their team. #proudestheadteacher

BE PREPARED FOR THE WEEK BACK!

Monday

- Snack/toast money in please - £1 per week including Nursery or £6 for the term
- Swimming for Chestnut, class at 2 - 3.40pm
- Assembly with Mrs Pritchard 2.50pm
- Year 4 and 3 football match at Hudson against St Georges 3.45pm

Tuesday

- Special baby visit for Sycamore class
- School Council meeting 12.20pm, Class Council meeting 2.45pm

Wednesday

- Whole School Assembly with Mrs Craddock 2.50pm
- Year 5 and 6 football match at St Georges 3.45pm
- 5pm Performing Arts meeting

Thursday

- Singing Assembly with Mrs Macpherson 2.50pm

Friday

- 2.50pm Celebrations assembly with the school teaching team



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EVERYONE EXPERIENCES EXCELLENCE...

Friday brings us smiles, and celebrations. This week join our team in giving due praise and recognition to our shining stars of excellence and champions of behaviour:

This week the children who have stood out exceptionally well for demonstrating aspects from our behaviour charter, our very own **Behaviour Charter Champions** are:

Little Acorns Classes (Miss Champan, Mrs Spafford and Team): Hunter Mc & Amir E-T

Maple Class (Miss Cook and Mrs Scott): Matilda J

Sycamore Class (Mrs Whitelaw and Ms Leppert): Lexi T

Silver birch Class (Mrs Pritchard and Miss Adams): Whole class

Yew Class (Miss Devine and Team): Mason C

Elder Class (Mr Roberts): Beth L

Oak Class (Miss Marl): Caelen L

Chestnut Class (Mrs McNally and Miss Goodwin): Zach S

Larch Class (Mr Murphy and Team) Mia G

We can also not forget to mention and give praise to those who have demonstrated

Excellence within their learning - those who have truly excelled and impressed: **Sadie**

W, Lewis T, Whole of Silver birch, Joseph B, Alfie M, Lillie R, Grace H and Grace

S. Be sure to ask your child to tell you all about the work they have displayed proudly in school and shared today.

Our final reward is our **Kindness Cup**, and this week's ambassador of kindness is

Caleb J (Larch class), for inspirational fundraising for Children in Need, the whole family are involved in activities to support the charity this year due to Caleb's passion and interest. Hudson is very proud, a role-model to all!

Attendance Masters: Oak and Yew class have the best attendance this week.

Professors of punctuality: Well done to Yew with no late marks.

Please be aware that the parking outside of school is limited, but we need to be considerate of the neighbours and not park over driveways or on grass verges. This can be extremely hazardous and you could be fined, it is also causing the residents great stress!

We are a community school that thrives on building respectful relationships with our community.

PTFA NEWS - Secretary: Vicki Garside

(Registered charity no: 1156873)

Lots going on at the moment so here goes:

Lottery numbers are still on sale on the playground after school - **£2 for a number**, remember the more numbers sold, the higher the cash prize!

Tea with Santa - **£6.50** tickets are now on sale for **Nursery up to Year 2 after school today and Tuesday**. We will do one **last sale on Friday next week** for the **whole school** but this will be the last day for tickets. Places are limited and you will not be able to purchase after 17 November. If you are not around school, leave your money with the office and we will pass the ticket to you.

Christmas Fair - **two weeks time on Friday 24 November**. Our elves are busy working away gathering stall holders and activities for all the family. At the moment we have inflatables, donkey rides, bows, soaps, candles, jewellery, refreshments and a while lot more. So, put the date in your diary and come along for some festive fun! We have a planning meeting on Wednesday 15 November at 5pm for all who can attend.

Other dates: Wednesday 22 November - school Christmas decorating, Friday 1 December - Family Christmas Bingo. Both of these events will be straight from school.

Have a good weekend.



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SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS - Administrator Chris Cook

Lunch supervisor needed, please pass in a brief letter of interest to the office.

Breakfast club - reminder that breakfast is served until 8.30am, please arrive early to avoid disappointment.

PGL residential trip - There are still a few outstanding interim payments of £35 which are due in.

Flu nasal spray consent forms - Still a few outstanding. Nasal spray taking place on 21st November for Rec - Yr4.

SCHOOL NEWS

Homework home!

Hudson is working incredibly hard to raise standards for children. We have listened to parental feedback on homework and about sharing the most up to date honest information about pupil progress.

A few families have taken this on board and we can see that children are working hard each week with their spellings, times tables and daily reading. We also love to see the individual talents of the children with their half termly projects - we know families like to do these activities together, and we can definitely tell when they are done during the half term, rather than in the last week as the children come to school far more excited and knowledgeable about the themes they are undertaking, linking learning and subjects together is very powerful and helps with memory. This also brings a fantastic dynamic to the classroom, as children are confident they have something to offer and share with their class.

The last and newest part of our homework developments is directed learning in the core subjects. This is within aspects of maths and English in KS1/2 and also phonics for some KS1 and EYFS children. A few families have purchased the books and will receive these today. Each week teachers will indicate which pages you can work through with your child. The pages will either be ones that will allow the children to practice and consolidate learning from the classroom, or prepare them for the week ahead.

I hope that families find these resources useful, they were the best around that we could find after lots of research. If you did not purchase any of these in October but would like to support your child, then please ask at the school office where a supply of books can be purchased at 50% of the retail price. Stocks are low so get in early, make a difference for your child, and don't miss out!

Harvest Donations

Many thanks to all those families who donated an item or two for our harvest festival with a special thanks to Mr and Mrs Williams for their very generous donation. The food has now been taken to our local foodbank in Maghull.

Christmas Fayre and Market

The PTFA is working very hard to get things moving for all the children at Hudson in time for the Christmas Fayre and Market. Do you have any toiletries that you could donate for the tombola? If so then please bring them to school with your child, there will be a collection box going around the classroom all next week. Many thanks in advance.

Sadly, we said goodbye today to Laura Forshaw, a previous support TA with a lunch supervisory role at Hudson this year. She has successfully completed her training and is going off to pursue her teaching career further.

Good luck Laura and many thanks for all of your hard work and support.

Have a fantastic weekend, best wishes, Niki Craddock and Team



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Sefton Remembers: The Impact of War Past & Present, Saturday 11

November 11am - 4pm



Join us on Armistice Day 2017 to commemorate the impact of war past and present.

Organised in partnership with [Veterans in Sefton](#) and [Sefton Libraries](#)

Programme of Events

11am - Two Minute Silence followed by Maghull Parish Handbell Ringers

11.15am - Welcome to Sefton Remembers

11.30am - Moss Side Hospital, Shell Shock & the Community. Kevin Bolton, Archives Consultant

12.15pm Not Forgotten, Shell Shock & the Centennial of the First World War. Dr Sam Edwards, Manchester Metropolitan University

1pm - Remembering Moss Side. Bill Esterson MP & Cllr June Burns, Mayor of Maghull

1.15pm - Veterans in Sefton: the work we do & the help we provide. Steve Calderbank, former Chief Petty Officer (Navy), & Dave Smith, former Sergeant Major (Army), Founders of Veterans in Sefton

2pm - Research stories. Adam Cree, Volunteer

Activities

Meet our Volunteer Researchers

Make a poppy to add to our display (Drop in, Children's Library 11am - 3pm)

Make a donation to [Veterans in Sefton](#) and [The Atkinson Development Trust](#)



Learn more about the impact of the First World War on Sefton people and communities through stories of the ground-breaking treatment of shell shock at Moss Side hospital as investigated in the ongoing Maghull and the Great War Remembered research project.

LOCAL NEWS AND EVENTS FROM HUDSON



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THE HUDSON LOTTERY IS COMING..



...it could be you!

- Do you want to win money whilst helping to raise vital funds for your own child's school?
- Purchase a number for just £2 from one of our playground family representatives at the end of the school day.
- The lottery is drawn at the end of the month by one of our children and 1st and 2nd place winners will be announced in the newsletter.
- Cash prizes will be based on the amount of numbers sold - the more people play the more you could win!

Pass on the word...be in it to win it!



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