

Hudson Primary School & Children's Centre



Family Newsletter

Friday 12th January 2018



HUDSON WEEKLY SCHOOL UPDATE - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

Welcome back and Happy New Year - here's hoping 2018 brings everyone lots of love, luck and happiness ☺ The start of the New Year has been eventful as always at Hudson, we have welcomed the children back with a Cinderella themed learning experience, hopefully continuing the excitement of the panto at Christmas into our learning and writing development.

Today we had our Snow business talent show event, Hudson definitely has talent, and so many children wanting to express themselves bravely on stage, we are very proud of everyone of them. Thank you everyone for your support on this.

Also today the children will have brought home new homework for the term, you should have reading books, spellings, times-tables, pages to complete from maths and English or phonics text books and a new Learning Journey homework with project ideas to be returned in March. You will also find in your child's bag an envelope with details of your child's attendance from last Autumn 2 term. There will be a record of their total attendance from September 2017 but if they have 100% for their second term they will be up for a treat next Friday in our Special termly assembly (see below).

Next week there are a few things going on that families need to be aware of including a special family meeting with class teachers for some families on Wednesday - again a letter will be in your child's bag - this is really important for you to find and respond to. Additionally, on Friday 19th (change of date from Monday as it was too short notice) we welcome families to attend our Autumn 2 celebration. You can see a child from each class chosen as the half term behaviour champion, excellent worker or see an abundance of children gain 100% attendance for the half term. This assembly is in the school hall and starts at 2.30pm. Families of award winners will receive notification via dojo, or in the case of attendance they will have this information in their letter home today - so please check children's bags. Unfortunately parking outside school has become a real issue - I started the Christmas break with a very strong complaint from the residents - cars are mounting the grass verge on the residential side and tearing up the grass. They are very unhappy about this and are collecting registration numbers of cars who are carelessly parking. I have these and don't wish to receive any more. Please, please be responsible and thoughtful, otherwise we will lose our parking allowance in the road and you will be forced to park and walk like many of our other local schools.

Monday - **Snack money for the term £4 including Nursery or £1 each week**

- Drop in from 8am with the school nurse Keren, find her in the school main entrance.
- Swimming starts for Oak class with a return to school at 3.40pm
- Whole school assembly with Mrs Pritchard at 2.50pm

Tuesday

- School council meeting at 12.20pm

Wednesday

- Whole school singing assembly with Mrs Macpherson at 2.50pm
- Special meeting for invited families after school - please check your child's bag for an invitation letter.
- 5pm Marketing meeting

Thursday

- Oak and Elder class visit to the Liverpool World Museum
- Whole school assembly with Mrs Craddock at 2.50pm
- Year 6 PawsB wellbeing session - session 1 of 6

Friday - **Toy afternoon £1 donation**

- **Special celebrations assembly - 2.30pm in the school hall**

Everyone Experiences Excellence



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 Chapman, Mrs Spafford and Team): Theo R and Riley W

Maple Class (Miss Cook and Mrs Scott): Joseph A

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

Silver birch Class (Mrs Pritchard and Miss Adams): Ethan R

Yew Class (Miss Devine and Team): Alfie M

Elder Class (Mr Roberts): Poppy K

Oak Class (Miss Marl): Ellis W

Chestnut Class (Mrs McNally and Miss Goodwin): Daniel E

Larch Class (Mr Murphy and Team): Nathan S

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:

Kayleb DM, Jackson R, Martha G, Holly M, Mark F, Honey HMc, Grace H and Elyzabel G. 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 **Nathan S in Larch Class**. For showing thoughtful and sincere kindness to Miss Marl this week, Hudson is very proud of you!

Attendance Masters: Our best classes for attendance this week are Chestnut and Yew class.

Professors of punctuality: Maple and Sycamore class have had no late marks this week, well done.

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

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The Hudson Lottery is back next week! Gill will be on the playground at the end of school on Monday and Friday selling numbers which are £2 each. We may even pop up at the end of school on other days so keep an eye out. Remember, the more numbers we sell, the higher the prize when we draw it on the last Friday of January and there is no limit on the amount of numbers you can have.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 24 January at 5pm.

SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS - Chris Cook School Administrator

PGL residential - Please can I remind everyone that the balance for this trip has to be paid in by the 23rd March at the latest. Please pay weekly if you prefer. We will be having a presentation/info session for parents and children at the end of Feb (date to follow).

Nursery - Please check your child's bag for letters with regards to session fee's. Any outstanding fees should be paid by the 19th Jan. Any queries then please call to the office, many thanks.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES NEWS - Kelly Herron

Our new Jan-April timetable is ready for collection from next week so please pop by and pick one up. Within it we have some new sessions such as Moo Music and our fantastic Theraplay Group and some old favourites returning such as Chatterbox, our infant early language course. We also welcome back a familiar face this term as Justina returns from her travels so don't be a stranger, drop in and say hello!!

SCHOOL NEWS

New Learning Journeys have begun...

Little Acorns - Can we explore it?

This is a project that will really capture our little ones interests and natural curiosities about the world around them, from the smallest holes and hiding places to great adventures in faraway places. The children will be engaged in making maps and plans, look at different ways of travel and transport and have all of their curious questions answered and investigated in lots of imaginative and creative ways. Lots of adventures to be had this term!

Maple class - Will you read me a story?

Was the big bad wolf really so bad? How many bowls of porridge did Goldilocks really eat? We will be exploring all of these ideas and questions and even more in this magical project all about fairy tales, goodies and baddies! As well as learning about all of the characters of traditional tales and stories we will explore homes and castles, ignite our imaginations with fantasy and magic and use all of our creativity to write and tell our own stories.

Yew class - Superheroes

KERPOW! Intergalactic greeting, young heroes. It's time to rescue the planet from evil villains! Who's your favourite superhero? Spiderman? Wonderwoman? Maybe your heroes are ordinary people who have achieved great things. Or is it those people who save lives in our emergency services that you admire most? Superheroes have super senses, can you use yours to identify mystery items by their smell, taste, sound and touch? What do true superheroes eat to keep their senses and special powers sharp?

Can we stop the dastardly plans of Professor Slime? He is dropping his villainous instructions around town. We must stop people following them, but can we make it in time? Is that phone box free? Please excuse me...I have to save the world! ZAP! WHIZZ!

Sycamore class - Moon Zoom

CRASH! What's that in the playground? Let's go outside and take a look. Stand back everyone - it looks like a UFO has crash-landed! We will find out who might have landed by exploring the spacecraft and investigating scattered scientific specimens. We will then create a 'Welcome to Earth' box for an alien explorer. What can we put inside it to help explain what life is like on our planet?

Would you like to be an astronaut? You'll need a pretty sturdy spacecraft if you do. Starting off small we will make an air-propelled rocket... WHOOSH! How far can you make it travel? We will then find out the names of the planets and try to remember them in their order. Oh Yes, we have found an alien ...can we help it to get back home?

Silver birch class - Muck, Mess and Mixtures

Let's get messy! Muck and mess is good! In fact it's mega-marvellous!

Dive in and get your hands and feet all sticky and covered in paint. Play with liquids, squish some dough and check out the slushiest and mushiest foods.

Pour mix, stir, splat! How does it feel to get your hands covered in goo? Make a wobbly jelly and draw with wibbly clay.

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Write recipes, instructions, riddles and poems - there are loads of scrummy words to describe messy mixtures! Work with paint and other squelchy stuff to create a new gallery space. What will you make? How will you arrange it? How will the gallery make you and visitors feel?

Don't worry about the mess...it'll always wash!

Elder and Larch class - Gods and Mortals

From nothingness came chaos; from chaos came air and water. From air and water came life! Then rising, majestically from the darkness came Gaia, Mother Earth, a beacon of warmth and light. We will be discovering a fantastical world of mythical creatures and legendary heroes through our theme of 'Gods and Mortals.' We will be exploring the terrains of Greece, where in pure blue skies; the sun scorches waxen wings and melts the fortress of Icarus and Daedalus. The children will decide their own fate, when they find mysterious box and it stirs their curious minds...

Oak class - Pharaohs

Let's travel back 5000 years to the dusty realms of the ancient Egypt. Cruise along the Nile, entering a world of mysteries and curses mummies and kings.

Find out about life on the rivers fertile banks discovering Egypt and its fascinating culture. Unravel the secrets of the ancient tombs using historic sources and age old artefacts. Find out about powerful Pharos and grandiose gods! Make yourself a nemes and you'll really look the part.

Become an apprentice and work for Ramose - he's the chief embalmer at the Beautiful House. Help him prepare a body for its journey into the afterlife.

Now open the doorway to Ancient Egypt - who knows what treasures you will find?

Chestnut class - Revolution

Are you listening boy? What is 27 plus 45? Come on - faster now, we haven't got all day!

Find out about super-strict schools by travelling back in time to a Victorian classroom. Make sure you're on your best behaviour though as punishments are unquestionably terrible! Discover a time when great minds thought new thoughts and ingenious inventors created so many things that we take for granted today: the electric light bulb, the telephone and even the first flushing toilet.

Let's forge ahead to research a time when Victoria was Queen and Albert was Prince Consort, and when some people lived in slums while others prospered. Take on the role of an important reformer and present your good causes to the Queen. Can you gain the support of the wealthy sponsor? Full steam ahead to the Victorian age!

Have a fantastic weekend, have fun but stay safe, Niki Craddock and Team



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