

Hudson Primary School & Children's Centre



Family Newsletter

Friday 26th January 2018



HUDSON WEEKLY SCHOOL UPDATE - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

At the end of last week we had an amazing celebration as we supported the 81 children who had 100% attendance from October 30th through to 20th December - there was also a fantastic number of children (over 40) who had a complete 100% attendance from September to December! We not only celebrated attendance on Friday but gave out a further 20 certificates, treats and prizes to children who were selected by their class teachers as being the Behaviour Charter Champ for the term or the Excellent worker. Teachers spoke very fondly about effort, attitude, resilience, honesty and pride, and I was touched by the whole schools support and encouragement in celebrating this with the other children - it was a wonderful assembly and I can't wait for the next one at the end of this term. I am sure, as it is a short term the school budget will be exhausted with plenty of celebration and success all round! ☺

This week the teachers are building towards our Spring assessment period next week, they will be working alongside your children seeing just how much progress and attainment has been made from the end of October. New support timetables will be in place for the new half term too with some tuition and small group work programmes being ran throughout the school. Last week I posted a section on homework and the responsibilities of the teaching team, family members and the child - I hope this was useful to guide you into practice for the home but also reassure you of the commitment to learning we have for your child. If you have not yet purchased homework text books and phonics resources - these are still available from the school office.

This week I met with the PTFA to plan out some spending and plan some events for our children. You will soon see our classroom teddy mascots in place for each classroom and advertisements around the windows for our annual Valentine disco. Please be aware that the last disco was full to the brim due to last minute buying of tickets, and some children went without goody bags because they were made up on ticket sales from the day prior. Be on the lookout for the dates of sale so that your child does not miss out!

Monday - ASSESSMENT WEEK

- Snack money for the term £2 including Nursery or £1 each week
- Swimming for Oak class with a return to school no later than 3.40pm
- Whole school assembly with Mrs Craddock at 2.50pm
- Football match - Hudson v St Thomas's (5/6) home game
- Family conference letters back in please

Tuesday

- School council meeting at 12.20pm
- Class council meeting at 2.50pm
- 6pm Finance Governors meeting

Wednesday

- Whole school singing assembly with Mrs Macpherson at 2.50pm

Thursday

- Whole school assembly with Mrs McNally at 2.50pm
- Year 6 PawsB wellbeing session - session 3 of 6
- Football match - St Thomas's v Hudson (3/4) away game

Friday

- Excellent worker work share with Mrs Craddock - 2pm
- Whole School Celebrations Assembly with the Teaching Team at 2.50pm



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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 Chapman, Mrs Spafford and Team): Daisy W

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

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

Silver birch Class (Mrs Pritchard and Miss Adams): Archie B

Yew Class (Miss Devine and Team): Luke W

Elder Class (Mr Roberts): Lily D

Oak Class (Miss Marl): Zach B

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

Larch Class (Mr Murphy and Team):

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:

Hallie L, Freya L, Molly May Mc, Isabella Mc, Charlie GA, Mark F, Beth L, Liam H, Ellie Q. 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 ambassadors of kindness are **Chestnut class girls**. Hudson is very proud of you!

Attendance Masters: Our best classes for attendance this week are Elder and Larch class.

Professors of punctuality: Maple and Yew 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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Valentine Disco - Friday 9th February end of school until 4.30. All ages and year groups are welcome, however **tickets must be purchased** for this event by **Friday 2nd February** and nursery children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are priced at £4 and include a goody bag and unlimited drinks. You are welcome to provide your child with a healthy snack alternative and we will give those children their goody bag at the end of the disco to take home.

At our meeting on Wednesday we decided that to give people more opportunity to purchase a lottery number (for £2 each) we will roll it forward and make the draw on Friday 9th February during the Valentine Disco. Numbers will be on sale on Friday after school however if you do not mind what number you have, or do not have opportunity to see us on the playground, and would like a "lucky dip", please send £2 in an envelope clearly marked lottery number and with your child's name on it and we let you know what number you have.

Have a good weekend.

Mondays football afterschool club has been cancelled due to a match, sorry for any inconvenience.

School bags/books - reminder that the school books should be brought into school every day but especially on a Monday for reading books to be changed.



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SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS - Chris Cook School Administrator

Family conference letters home today, please can they be returned on Monday and only one form per family with all your children on. This is because we can then get the times close to each other for each child's meeting.

PGL residential - please remember you can make smaller payments weekly or monthly because the deadline is fast approaching.

School app - username - hudsonparent password - schoolapp

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 AND REQUESTS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Hudson University for Children

This week we got started with our University clubs which has been wonderful but unfortunately we have had a few difficulties that we would like to bring your attention to. The difficulties have arisen around **organising collection of children**. Please ensure that changes to collection arrangements take place via face to face with the class teacher or office staff at the start of the school day, if this is not available then please call the school before 2pm to correspond changes and have the guarantee that the message will be dealt with efficiently. If a dojo message or late call is made there is a chance that this message will not be received in time and could cause unnecessary upset and stress all round. We do not allow children to go with other adults (known to us or not) without the main carers permission and we do not have the time and resources to be constantly checking this every day for every club.

Changes in collection and travel home from school

Since returning to school after Christmas there seem to have been a number of changes to collection or end of school day routines. Families can I ask you to please ensure the class teacher knows these arrangements, as similar to the message above, we need to ensure your child is safe; is not walking home to an empty house or going home with an adult that you have not given permission to.

Again as above - please ensure that changes to collection arrangements take place via face to face with the class teacher or office staff at the start of the school day, if this is not available then please call the school before 2pm to inform us of any changes and have the guarantee that the message will be dealt with efficiently. If a dojo message or late call is made there is a chance that this message will not be received in time and could cause unnecessary upset and stress all round.

Lateness

There has been an increase in the number of children either late for school or almost late and then using the front office to enter the building. The doors from the playground are shut at 9am sharp the majority of children who we have observed using the main office entrance could have used the main playground entrance. From Monday we will be re-directing the children around, it is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that a child arrives at the main playground safely and on time. Please support my request that the office entrance is only used if your child is being recorded as late and is arriving at school after 9am - on this occasion you, as the responsible adult need to come into the office with your child and give reason for the lateness, you may also be asked to wait with your child until an adult is available to accompany your child safely to class.

I understand the frustration that families feel when a call to the school office is not answered or there is not a member of staff at the reception desk who can deal with a query or payment - this very often is due to the office staff escorting children or late arriving belongings (PE kit, lunch boxes etc) around school. Many thanks in advance for your understanding on this matter.

Have a lovely weekend, best wishes Niki Craddock and Team.



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