

# Hudson Primary School & Children's Centre



## Family Newsletter



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

### HUDSON WEEKLY SCHOOL UPDATE - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

We are very quickly approaching the end of the first Spring term and I cannot quite believe it - this will mean that we are already half way through the school year!

This week the children have been in really high spirits - it must be the hail stones! This has been exceptionally interesting as it was also assessment week!! The teachers have been frantically working with children to see how much progress and development they have made and most importantly identify next steps to push progress on further. This information will be shared and discussed at the family conference next Wednesday. Please do remember that school closes at 2pm that day in order for us to fit all of the meetings in at an acceptable time of the day. This also means that there will not be any Willow Den After school care that day either. Please be prompt in collecting the children so meetings can start on time.

Our older school football team got to play a match this week against St Thomas'. The team were really excited to get back into competing and in particular on Monday as it was a home match. At half time they were 3 goals to 1 down, however with encouragement and re-direction from our coaches Sully and John Scott they pulled back a 5-3 win! Amazing resilience, I was so proud of them all! Unfortunately, their school pulled out of our younger team match arrangements on Thursday and then Friday but hopefully we can get this arranged soon.

Next Friday we have our PTFA Valentine disco planned for the children it is also a non-uniform day at school! If the children are going to the disco non-uniform is part of the £4 ticket with goodie bag and drinks, if children just want to come in non-uniform it is the usual school fund £1 donation. I hope all the children want to come along we had a great turn out last time with lots of dancing, games and prizes organised by Michael and Richard Nicholson. Don't forget to buy your ticket ☺

### Monday - Parent Educators sessions start each morning in EYFS

- Snack money for the term £1 including Nursery
- Swimming for Oak class with a return to school no later than 3.40pm
- Whole school assembly with Mrs Craddock at 2.50pm

### Tuesday

- Class council meeting at 2.50pm

### Wednesday

- Footballers at Liverpool Academy 1.00 - 3.00pm
- Family conference - **School day ends at 2pm** for meetings to take place

### Thursday

- Whole school assembly with Mrs Pritchard at 2.50pm
- Year 6 PawsB wellbeing session - session 4 of 6 at 1.15pm

### Friday

- Non-uniform day
- Excellent worker work share with Mrs Craddock - 2pm
- Whole School Celebrations Assembly with the Teaching Team at 2.50pm
- Valentine Disco 3.30-4.30pm - £4 a ticket (straight from school)



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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): Grace F

**Maple Class** (Miss Cook and Mrs Scott): Oscar C

**Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw and Ms Leppert): Grace F

**Silver birch Class** (Mrs Pritchard and Miss Adams): Daniel G

**Yew Class** (Miss Devine and Team): Malachi J

**Elder Class** (Mr Roberts): Lily D

**Oak Class** (Miss Marl): Kaide C

**Chestnut Class** (Mrs McNally and Miss Goodwin): Megan B

**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: **Elsa P, Macey Mc, Mason L, Ethan W, Alfie M, Ronnie W, Caelen L, Abi L, Caleb J.**

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 **Isabelle H in Maple Class**. For showing thoughtful and sincere kindness to everyone in Hudson this week, Hudson is very proud of you!

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

**Professors of punctuality:** Yew and Larch classes have had no late marks this week.

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.*

## 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!!

Tomorrow is Daddies Day 9.30 - 11.00, please come along.

## SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS - Chris Cook School Administrator

**Family conference times** home today, please see the class teacher if you cannot make the appointed time.

**PGL residential** - please remember you can make smaller payments weekly or monthly because the deadline is fast approaching. Presentation evening will be at the end of February. Date to be confirmed by next week.

**School app** - username - hudsonparent password - schoolapp



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## SCHOOL NEWS AND REQUESTS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

### Welcome new Governors

This week I had the pleasure of welcoming our two new parent governors to our team. They were very keen to find out about their supporting and challenging roles for the school and I feel very confident that they will represent the parent perspective well, and offer great leadership to the school.

Our new parent representatives are Hayley Smyth - mum to Ben in Year 4, and Claire Jennings mum to Malachi and Matilda in Reception and Frankie in Year 3. We also welcome back Sally Sheridan mum to Ben in Year 2 and Grace in Year 6 as she will now replace Michael Follin our previous school vicar who resigned in July. Another change to our governing body was in our staff representative, as Head teacher I represent the whole school - but an additional staff point of view is always necessary. Mike McKeown our old school site manager was this staff representative and he has now been replaced by Mrs McNally, Deputy headteacher and SENCO. I have every confidence that these changes will bring about a strengthened governance at Hudson and I am keen to get things moving and utilise new expertise and dedications shown to see our school thrive.

### Music Tuition

For the past two years we have used Musical Minds as additional tuition for music, paid for by parents. This last year the number of children taking part have dwindled and feedback from parents has left us uneasy about continuing our partnership. After close discussion with Mrs Macpherson our lead teacher for music - we decided that we would terminate our agreement only if we found something more suitable for our needs. So far we have found that Sefton Music can provide specific tutors for each of the disciplines the children are currently receiving i.e. drums, guitar, piano and vocal. We plan to swap this over after half term and will be letting families who currently use the service know by letter, including the adjustments in pay i.e. this will now come to school if they want to continue. We are also looking at a new company for the new school year to Hudson Rockademy...

*We are a fast-growing group of tutors that are passionate about educating real music by providing rock and pop musical instrument tuition in schools for guitar, bass, drums, singing & keyboard, offering one to one, small group or rock ensemble lessons*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x9K6-07Fhu4>

Have a look and see if this is something you would be interested in - I will be looking for feedback after half term.

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