

Hudson Primary School & Children's Centre



Family Newsletter



Friday 21st September 2018



HUDSON SCHOOL NEWS - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

A blustery wet day ends our week at Hudson, hopefully blowing through quickly so that we can all have a safe weekend. The autumn season is fast approaching and this is a great opportunity to get outdoors wrap up and notice the changes in our locality - lots of our younger children's learning comes from this time of year, as I am sure you read in last week's newsletter. This week we have news from our Nursery Leader Miss Chapman which I hope our youngest children's families will find of great use, particularly the focus on rhymes and story time along with news for applying for a school place as the window of opportunity has now opened! Please read on to find out more information.

This week the children have really got stuck into their Learning Journey themes and it has been fantastic to wander round during the afternoons and feel the buzz of new learning happening in the classrooms. Further to this we started up with our new Hudson University Clubs, we have had a tremendous number of children joining in - keeping active and also increasing interests and skills. I loved seeing the new mixes of children together supporting each other and enjoying the relaxing side of school. **Next week we are opening Monday football to Year 2 children.** If this is something your child would like to do then please send them with a kit on Monday - trainers/boots and shin pads please on Monday 3.30-4.30pm, a drink would be useful too, and let our office team know so they can add them, to the register.

Today was our annual charity event 'Jeans for Genes' - families who have chosen to get involved and support the charity will have had £1 added to their ParentPay account, I will total up how much Hudson has raised for the charity and let you all know next week. Many thanks in advance for your support, this money will be vital in **raising funds to support children affected by genetic disorders.** There are around 6,000 genetic disorders and it is estimated that one in 25 children is affected by a genetic disorder. Again many thanks for your care and compassion.

Next week we will be starting off all of our pupil volunteers who have been successful in applying for a school job this year, they all received their badges of honor today, another proud moment at Hudson! Next week we will announce our school and class council ☺

PREPARE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday

- **School Photograph morning!**
- 2pm Swimming for **Oak class** - return to school no later than 3.40pm
- 2.45pm Whole school assembly with Mr Roberts

Tuesday

- Time for children to nominate school council members

Wednesday

- 2.45pm Whole school singing assembly with Mrs Macpherson
- 5pm PTFA Meeting

Thursday

- Am Nursery - Why do you love me so much party for families - 2 Year old Nursery
- 2.45pm Whole school assembly with Mrs Craddock

Friday

- **£ 1 donation (via Parent pay) Non-uniform towards Christmas panto and Entertainer**
- Am Nursery - Why do you love me so much party for families - 3/4 Year old Nursery
- 2.40pm Celebrations assembly with our school team families invited for school council badge awards

CELEBRATORY NEWS - 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.

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): Lily J and Isla S

Maple Class (Miss Cook, Mrs Scott and Miss Wynne): Matthew L

Yew Class (Miss Latham Talbot and Team): Mason C

Sycamore Class (Mrs Whitelaw and Ms Leppert): Freya L

Silver birch Class (Miss Morrissey and Mrs R McNally): Jack P

Elder Class (Mr Roberts and Mrs Dillon): Emily Mc

Oak Class (Miss Marl): Millie D

Hazel Class (Mrs Macpherson and Miss Goodwin): Charlie GA

Chestnut Class (Mrs McNally): Holly L

We can also not forget to mention and give praise to those who have demonstrated **Excellence within their learning our EEE winners!** Those who have truly excelled and impressed:

Maple Class (Miss Cook, Mrs Scott and Miss Wynne): Ryley W

Yew Class (Miss Latham Talbot and Team): Luke W

Sycamore Class (Mrs Whitelaw and Ms Leppert): Cody H

Silver birch Class (Miss Morrissey and Mrs R McNally): Korey W

Elder Class (Mr Roberts and Mrs Dillon): Ethan R

Oak Class (Miss Marl): Charlie C

Hazel Class (Mrs Macpherson and Miss Goodwin): Euan J

Larch Class (Mr Murphy and Team): Kieran H

Chestnut Class (Mrs McNally): Max T

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

Our new awards to celebrate are our Hudson Reading Challenge Certificate. This is a real challenge and we love to celebrate these achievements throughout the school year.

Those who have met the challenge this week are:

Bronze - No award winners yet!

Silver - No award winners yet!

Gold - No award winners yet!

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

Liam H in Larch class. For taking the time out to bring play to new children at Hudson, being kind and caring. Hudson is so incredibly proud of you!

Attendance and Punctuality are high agenda targets of importance for Hudson, we love to celebrate and praise those children who get 100% attendance each half term. Please help your child achieve this and encourage them to get to school on time each day to get the most out of all that is on offer.

SAFETY NOTICES

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.

In the Maghull Community pages of social media the school is being badly advertised for careless community parking, please help to eradicate this.

PTFA NEWS - Vicki Garside PTFA News (registered charity no: 1156873):

It may only be September but next week we will be having our **next meeting** to plan our Christmas events, and in particular our Christmas Fair. So, if you are available on **Wednesday 26 September at 5pm** and want to see what we are all about, or be involved in the Christmas Fair, please come along.

Have a lovely weekend.

SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS - Chris Cook School Administrator

Parent App details - username - hudsonparent password - schoolapp

PGL School Residential - Please let me know asap if your child/ren are interested in going on the trip next year. We only have **8** places left and this covers years 3 to 6, (final numbers will need to be given to PGL next Tuesday). We are going to the same place as last year as we all had a ball! Please check out the website PGL Caythorpe Court. I will then add the price (£200) to your ParentPay account. The deposit of £50 has to be paid by the 26th September.

Parent Volunteers - If anyone is interested in becoming a volunteer to help with reading then please let me know.

Flyers - attached is a flyer for various activities/clubs outside of school. If you would like a hard copy then please collect one from the school entrance.

Flu consent/non consent forms - need to be returned. Class dojo points awarded to the class which returns them first.

NURSERY NEWS - EYFS Leader and School manager Jen Chapman

Rhymers are Readers: The importance of Nursery Rhymes

'Research has shown that those children who are better at detecting rhymes tend to be more successful at learning to read, a relationship that is independent of children's class backgrounds, intelligence, and level of memory ability.'

Bradley & Bryan, 1985; MacLean et al, 1987; Bradley, 1988; Ellis & Large, 1987

Singing nursery rhymes to children and babies can help develop their language and communication skills from an early age. It can also help develop children's social skills as it is a great opportunity for children to build relationships with their family and their peers, for example - sitting next to one another and holding hands during the song row row your boat is ideal for helping develop those social skills.

Introducing children to a variety of nursery rhymes can help them understand and learn about different sounds. This is an important part of developing those early literacy skills.

So why is singing nursery rhymes and songs important;

- Children learn new words
- Develop their non-verbal communications skills
- Learn early maths skills
- Children understand how words are formed
- Enables children to copy actions
- It boasts children language communication and literacy skills
- Helps develop children's social, skills
- Children learn about different beats and rhythms
- Provides the opportunity for children to value language and become confident learners.
- Creates a close relationship between adult and child

Have a go... It's simple, fun and free! Sing some Nursery Rhymes together at home. How many Nursery Rhymes do you know? Which is your favourite Nursery Rhyme?

The wonderful thing about rhymes is that you can sing them anywhere - you don't need any musical equipment, or to be in tune. Just have fun laughing and learning together.



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Arrangements for Admission to Reception: September 2019

This applies to Hudson's 3 and 4 year old nursery children

This week your child will bring home information on how to apply for a school place for September 2019. The booklets, 'Guide for Parents' and 'Schools Information' is also available for you to view/download at www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions.

The online application is available at www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions from 1 September 2018 until 15 January 2019. In your pack from school we will therefore enclose a copy of a letter to parents from Sefton Council on how to complete the application online. Please do get this done quickly and seek out our support if you are unsure - do not leave it too late, or feel you don't need to apply because you are in our Nursery or have siblings in school. Unfortunately this does not guarantee your place - you must complete the application process. Again the compulsory national closing date for receipt of forms of 15 January 2019.

Children's Centre opportunities for families

Our Shine course starts on Tuesday 25th September 10-11.30am. It's an 11 week course that focuses on your own personal Emotional Health. It is particularly useful for those who have had or are having issues with depression, anxiety or stress. It also serves anyone who wants to explore a positive life. For more info or to sign up you can inbox Nikki Cureton on our Centre Facebook page or phone her on the school number: 0151 5261568.

Our own successful Family need our support!

The Jewell family (Euan in Year 5) are a very talented bunch. They have always been a supportive family of Hudson Primary for many years and have offered care and guidance to our staff team and many families through their holistic and therapeutic services. Added to their wealth of skills is therapeutic story writing - Sleepy Storiezzz is one of these and it has been shortlisted in this years Peoples Book Prize. We are asking our families to support them in their bid to get this book noticed. We need you all to spend a couple of minutes going on line and voting - it is a very easy process:

1. Your name
2. An email address.
3. People can also leave a comment but not compulsory.

<https://peoplesbookprize.com/summer-2018/sleepy-storiezzz/>

Living Streets

Your child may come home next week talking about walking to school. We have moved away from our walk to school weeks and are just encouraging as much walking to school as possible through **the Living Streets WOW programme**. The children will earn credits for walking to school and our aim is to get everyone parking and walking at least three times per week. We will be keeping a data base through the living streets programme of all walkers or for those transported to school - we will be creating a morning step challenge! The children will earn progress badges and recognition for their efforts. Please get involved this is a life changing activity for the whole family. A generation ago 70% of us walked to school now it is less than half. We want to reverse this decline, we want children to be energised and empowered and to make walking to school their natural choice.

Have an amazing family weekend!
Best wishes Niki Craddock and Team.