

# Hudson Primary School & Family Wellbeing Centre



## Weekly Newsletter for Families

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019



### HUDSON SCHOOL NEWS - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

This has been a really busy week all round. The children are back and into the swing of things now, but we are just having a good check in on behaviour, uniform and school readiness. We truly are seeking excellence all of the time, please help us by ensuring your child has all they need each day for school and is working hard to be the best they can be.

This week Larch, Oak and Elder had a spectacular visit out to Rock and River in Lancashire. They experienced all kinds of outward bounds as part of their thrilling Learning Journey from canoe tag, to wall climbing. The children and staff came back full of excitement - I think this has been a favourite visit out so far so surely will be repeated. Lots of learning and challenges undertaken - what a start to the year! If your child enjoyed this trip, then they would really enjoy our school residential next June. Still places left but please pop in and let us know if your child (yr 3,4,5 + 6) is interested as soon as possible.

Next week we will have our first charity event of the school year our annual Jeans for genes event. I will be making sure the children understand just what the charity is all about during my assembly time slot. The event involves wearing anything jean like and then donating £1 via our school parent pay system - simple! This takes place next Friday.

Our school really believes in the promotion of positive mental health and wellbeing and over the last year has been working on many projects to upskill the staff so that we can be better equipped personally and also for the good of the community, you will see lots of sources of advice, a change in our curriculum and a new offer of services promoted around school and within our Centre. Sefton are getting on board with supporting families more and have asked that I circulate this survey: Mental health and wellbeing survey from Sefton: <https://yourseftonyoursay.sefton.gov.uk/>

You may have noticed from the last newsletter that baseline assessments are taking place currently at school throughout all classes. The statutory baselines that report to the department for education are only for our Reception children in Yew and Maple classes. This assessment has been going on this week and possibly into next week by Mrs Kelly and Miss Goodwin. Some families have asked for more information and therefore this link will take you to an informative YouTube clip for parents of children in Reception: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7CMu\\_Ef1Zs&t=3s/](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7CMu_Ef1Zs&t=3s/)

### PREPARE FOR WEEK AHEAD...

#### Monday

- **School photograph day! Nursery children that don't normally attend Monday am are welcome to come to the main office at 8.45 for their photo's.**
- 1.30pm swimming for Oak Class. (Children returning to school)
- 2.45pm Whole school assembly with Miss Marl - British Values!

#### Tuesday

- Please return pupil volunteer applications to Mrs Craddock

#### Wednesday

- 2.45pm Whole School Singing Assembly with Mrs Macpherson
- 5pm PTFA meeting - planning autumn and Christmas events

#### Thursday

- 2.45pm Whole school assembly with Mrs Craddock - What does Jeans for Genes mean?

#### Friday

- £1 donation - wear Jeans/ denim/own clothes - Whole School charity event Jeans for Genes
- 2.30pm Whole school celebration assembly in the school hall with our Team, pupil volunteer badges to be awarded!

## 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** (Mrs McIntyre, Mrs Spafford & Team): Rex RJ and Eva H

**Maple Class** (Mrs Kelly, Miss Jones & Team): Pippa W

**Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Mason C

**Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Evie S

**Silver birch Class** (Miss Morrissey & Team): Kian Q

**Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Whole Class

**Oak Class** (Miss Marl and Miss Peters & Team): Whole Class

**Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson): Thomas S

**Larch Class** (Mr Murphy & Team): Oliver D

**Hazel Class** (Mrs McNally): Charlie GA

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 are:

**Maple Class** (Mrs Kelly, Miss Jones & Team): Reuben Mc

**Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Alfie F

**Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Luke W

**Silver birch Class** (Miss Morrissey & Team): Ella J

**Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Lilly FF

**Oak Class** (Miss Marl and Miss Peters & Team): Declan H

**Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson): Poppy K

**Larch Class** (Mr Murphy & Team): Whole Class

**Hazel Class** (Mrs McNally): Euan J

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

Our Hudson Reading Challenge Certificate really helps us to reward those children taking Literature seriously. 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** - None Yet!

**Silver** - None Yet!

**Gold** - None Yet!

Our final reward is our **Kindness Cup**, and this week our ambassador of kindness is in **Little Acorns Class: Sebastian M for helping to settle his little brother in, caring, sharing and loving just perfectly.** 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.

As part of our ongoing Road Safety work in and around schools in Sefton please find below a link to a tweet we have sent out from Sefton Councils twitter account.

<https://twitter.com/seftoncouncil/status/1171731850919849984>

## 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.

## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE TEAM - Administrator; Chris Cook

**Names in uniform** - Please can we remind you to put your child's name in their school uniform. This makes it much easier to return lost property to its rightful owner.

**PGL** - There are still places left on the PGL residential trip for next year. Children in years 3,4,5+6 are invited to join us on our very memorable holiday. The price for next June is £210. Please let me know if you require an information pack or have any questions. Next week I am hoping to get everyone who has signed up already on to ParentPay so you can start paying in instalments. A deposit is required at the end of the month.

**ParentPay** - I am currently working on updating parentpay. If you are new to our school and did not receive a letter today about your child's account then please pop in or ring me.

**Parent App** - The App has changed in way that you can log on to it and view the information. You will be 'invited' to join via email, I believe this is how class dojo works. If you haven't received the invite then please let me know and we'll check your email is correct.

**Hudson University Clubs** - Clubs start next week but please remember they all finish at 4pm.

Just a reminder that the school phone line is not available between 1.00-2.00pm daily. All answer machine messages are picked up at 2.00pm and visitors to school are still welcome.

Willow Den Wraparound - **WE HAVE MOVED!** We are now based in the family wellbeing centre and families should head to this entrance each morning for drop off and pick up. Please note we do need families to confirm their pre-bookable hours for afterschool care to ensure you continue to receive your discount. **NEW!** Club/late pickup Support £4.00 per child - this service is from end of school day until 4.00pm (please note this service does not include evening snack and will jump to £7.00 if children are collected after 4pm).

## Family Wellbeing Service; School and Family Services Manager; Kelly Herron

Oh we have some amazing new sessions coming up in the centre! Fab Fridays is back with a bang every Friday 9.15-10.15am Drop in all welcome. We have OSSME returning to run their amazing Autism training with the next class on Early Indicators 26<sup>th</sup> September 1.00-3.00pm (Places must be booked through the centre) and finally a brand new Level 2 course in Manicure and Pedicure starting Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September (you'll get your Level 1 in customer care too!) This one has an eligibility criteria so just give us a shout and we'll check for you.

## Aldi are supporting schools!

**Hudson will be collecting the Aldi stickers, so please send them in:**

Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win.

Every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Take your stickers to school to help complete your poster. Once complete with 300 stickers we will then send the poster back to receive an exclusive sports kit and to be in with a chance to win £20,000 for our school.





**PTFA News; Secretary Vicki Garside (registered charity no: 1156873):**

We have our next decision making meeting on Wednesday 25 September at 5pm where we will be deciding on the format for the Autumn Disco and our Christmas events. In recent years, Christmas has taken the form of three separate events, Family Bingo, Tea with Santa and the Christmas Fair, however we are looking at how we can possibly do this differently this year. For example, we are looking at ways we can stream line Tea with Santa further for our little ones without taking away from the magic.

Unfortunately our dedicated email is not yet up and running (we are waiting on the Tech Guy), but if you have any suggestions of what you might like to see, or events you would like to be a part of please either pop in a note to your class teacher or the office for our attention, or send a message via Class Dojo for us to consider. Alternatively, feel free to come along next week.

Have a fun filled weekend, Niki Craddock and Team

We may not always associate some behaviours our children present with as being anxiety related, do you recognise these:

# Anxiety presents itself in many different ways...

The desire to control people and events



Difficulty getting to sleep



Feeling agitated or angry



Defiance and other challenging behaviors



Having high expectations for self, including school work & sports



Avoiding activities or events (including school)

Pain like stomachaches and headaches



Struggling to pay attention and focus



Intolerance of uncertainty



Crying and difficulty managing emotions



Over-planning for situations and events



Feeling worried about situations or events



# SCHOOL EVENTS 2019-2020 - AUTUMN TERM

Week	Date of event	Event title and details
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	<p><b>School council applications go home</b> It is time again for us to recruit our new members to our school and class councils. Please support your child in completing their crucial application and returning it on time.</p> <p><b>HUC confirmations go home</b> Children will today receive a reply slip from their application for Hudson University Clubs. Please read it carefully to check start dates and finish times of clubs.</p>
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	<p><b>HUC clubs start</b> Our clubs will start this week, please ensure that verbal correspondence is made for any changes to collection of your child or acceptance of their or non-attendance.</p>
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	<p><b>PTFA meeting 5pm</b> Come along and join our hardworking team of volunteers to plan events for your children and organise spending. No experience or particular skills necessary.</p>
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<p><b>Wear Jeans for Genetic research charity. Wear denim £1 donation.</b> One of the children's favourite charity events - wear genes and donate £1 towards genetic research. Any non-uniform will do if your child does not like wearing denim.</p>
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<p><b>Pupil volunteer jobs announced</b> <b>School Council badges awarded 2.30pm - Families welcome to attend</b> A special assembly to celebrate the achievements of children who have been successful in their application for an important role within our school community.</p>
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	<p><b>Hello Yellow Event</b> Supporting world mental health day - Young minds and a school community charity event £1 to charity, wear something yellow</p>
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	<p><b>Settling in meeting with Teachers After School</b> A session with your class teacher to see your child's new learning environment, find out what the year has in store and ask any settling in questions you may have.</p>
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7 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	<p><b>National Poetry day - performance poetry assembly in school hall from 2.30pm</b> A chance to see the children perform as a whole school, their love of literacy, poetry, rhythm and rhyme and also of course performing!</p>
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	<p><b>Harvest donations in - tins and jars please!</b> Harvest has arrived again, at Hudson we like to support those in our locality not as fortunate. All donations will go to our very own Foodbank sources.</p>
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	<p><b>2pm Harvest festival service - Key Stage 1 lead</b> Come along and join in our Harvest celebration, listen to readings, songs and stories.</p>
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	<p><b>Autumn themed PTFA disco £4 per child for goodies 4-5.30pm</b> Another fantastic disco organised by our PTFA. All children are invited to come and party. Younger children from our Nursery and Base will need an adult to party with. This is a ticket only event.</p>
<b>Half Term Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October return Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<p><b>Autumn Celebration Assembly - families welcome at 2.30pm</b> It is time for us celebrate the first Autumn achievements of our children. We will today give special mention to those with 100% attendance and award prizes to Behaviour charter champions and excellent workers of the first term from each class.</p>

4 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Family conference letters go home - return by Wednesday next week</b> It is time to find out about learning developments and targets in learning for your child. Please read the letter carefully and return it promptly in order for us to deal with your requests thoroughly.
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole week	<b>Assessment week - all children's first assessment of the year</b> Please ensure your child has good attendance and punctuality this week. We will be working hard to showcase all they have learnt so far in the year, celebrate successes and make plans to support any difficulties.
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Remembrance service - Chestnut class to lead 10.30am</b> Come along and join in our Remembrance service, listen to readings, songs and stories from our British culture.
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Family conference confirmations go home</b> All family conference times will be returned today, teachers will also display the timetable in the windows along the corridor if you need a reminder!
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole week	<b>Anti-bullying week, themed activities for all children</b> A very important event for the children at Hudson, a time for self-checking and understanding. Lots of important activities will be ongoing to make this memorable and purposeful for all children.
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Family conference - school closure at 2pm for meetings</b> Families to attend their meeting at their allotted time in the school hall, unless you are a family from the Nursery. Children's work can be found outside their classrooms for families to look through and share their child's learning before or after their meeting.
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Christmas decoration day!</b> Come along and join in the fun as we deck the halls and help our PTFA get ready for Christmas.
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Non-uniform event £1 - Christmas jumpers at the ready.</b> A non-uniform day for the whole school, children can get good wear out of their Christmas Jumpers if they wish.
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>PTFA Christmas market</b> Come along and get ready for Christmas! Fun for all of the family and a great fundraiser for our PTFA. Lots to buy, see and get involved in.
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	<b>Christmas performance tickets go on sale</b> Tickets are £1 each and are limited to two per family per show. If some still remain by 10 <sup>th</sup> December we will reopen a limitless sale at 9am.
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Christingle Service at 2.30pm followed by PTFA Christmas bingo</b> Come along and really start to feel that Christmas has arrived. See the children read, sing and begin their exciting Christmas celebration. The PTFA will host a bingo event afterwards with a great array of prizes.
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Early Years dress rehearsal morning</b> Please ensure your child's costume is in during the week of the 26 <sup>th</sup> November in a bag that is labelled with their name. If you are struggling to get a costume together please let us know by the 26 <sup>th</sup> November to give us time to find something suitable.
9 <sup>th</sup> December	One day this week	<b>Party with Santa from 3.30pm</b> Please remember that this is a ticket only event. PTFA members are available at the end of each school day in the nursery entrance and Reception class entrance areas.
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>KS1 and KS2 dress rehearsal morning</b> Please ensure your child's costume is in during the week of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> December in a bag that is labelled with their name. If you are struggling to get a costume together please let us know by the 3 <sup>rd</sup> December to give us time to find something suitable.
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Christmas performances:</b> 10am EYFS 4pm KS1 and KS2 Please remember that these are ticket only events, tickets will be on sale a week prior to the event, with a limit for each family. On the 9 <sup>th</sup> December if tickets still remain we will open it out to all families to buy as many tickets as are left over.
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16 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Pantomime and Entertainer Day</b> We have saved for weeks and it's finally arrived a day at the pantomime for our older children and a Christmas celebration with entertainment for our Younger children (nursery) organised by our PTFA.
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>9.15am Snow Business Winter themed Talent show</b> Our annual winter talent show, come and see our children perform on the stage!
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Party day - Own clothes</b> Today we will host a special Christmas party day, with games, treats, crafts and a special visitor!
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>End of term - school closes at 2pm</b> Please remember that today your child needs collecting at 2pm and unfortunately there will not be any Willow den after school care available.

**School holiday from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December with a return on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January due to INSET day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January**



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