

Highgate Primary School Newsletter



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After what feels like a long Spring Term, we want to wish you all a restful Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone for a Summer term that is as normal as possible!

Mr. Jenkinson

Forest School: After the Easter Holiday, Forest School will resume for children in **Year 1 and Year 4**. Don't worry, other years will get their chance as we move back into the Autumn term.

Y1 (Penguins) - Mondays (from Easter until May half term)

Y4—Fridays

Y1 (Polar Bears) - Mondays (from May half term until July).

On Forest School days, children should come to school in uniform but bring a change of old clothes (including an old coat).

School Uniform: We have noticed a minority of pupils whose standards of school uniform are slipping. This is just a reminder that unless children are doing PE, they should come to school in full school uniform (Royal Blue jumper, white or blue polo shirt, grey or black trousers, shorts or skirt or blue gingham summer dresses and black shoes/trainers).

On PE days, children may come to school in plain black or grey joggers or shorts and a plain white T-shirt with trainers.

Children will be reminded about this in school too.

School Dinners: A new two choice menu is now available to book through Parent Pay. Please book these dinners by the Thursday before we return to school.

School Nurse Support: Parents can self-refer to 'Healthy Together' via the School Nursing office number, 0116 2156795.

School Nursing Service - Chat Health The School Nursing Service also offers a text messaging service where parents and carers of children aged 0-19 years can get confidential advice and support with behaviour, parenting, child development, emotional health and wellbeing (self-harm) and bullying, minor accidents and illnesses and general health queries. The contact number is 07520 615382. This is a TEXT ONLY service and is not an emergency service. It is available 9am - 5pm Monday - Friday. Texts will not be seen outside working hours but you should get a reply to confirm receipt of a text sent within one working day. For urgent medical attention please contact your GP or call 111 or 999.

Dates for your Diary

APRIL

12th—School Opens after Easter

12th—Forest School starts for Y1 Penguins

16th—Forest School starts for Y4

27th—Parents Evening (virtual)

28th—Parents Evening (virtual)

MAY

1st—Join Bradgate Education Trust

3rd - May Day Bank Holiday

31st - Half Term begins

JUNE

7th—children return from half term

7th—Forest School starts for Y1 Polar Bears

11th — Class & Y6 Leavers Photos

15th—Sports Afternoon (provisional)

17th—Reserve Sports Afternoon (provisional)

JULY

9th— End of Academic Year

More dates will follow...

Gas repairs: Thankfully the gas repairs have been completed and the tarmac will be relayed over the weekend. Hot dinners will resume after Easter.



Building Refurbishment: Thanks to the hard work of Mr Lees, Mr White and Ms Dealey, I am pleased to tell you our new library (where the old studio was) and teaching kitchen are almost complete. Work is also starting over the Easter holidays to refurbish the toilets in Year 1 (Polar Bears). We hope to have all this work completed by the start of the summer term so the children can begin to benefit from these new developments.

As restrictions are lifted, we look forward to being able to invite parents in to see these wonderful changes in person.

After School Clubs - After School Clubs (including Morning Skipping Club with Henry) will resume after Easter. Please book these through Parent Pay.

PE Days: All children to come in PE kit (except EYFS who are learning to get changed). **PE kit is a plain white T-shirt with black or grey joggers or shorts.**

EYFS - Thursdays (please bring kit in on Mondays)

Y1 - Polar Bears Monday / Penguins Wednesday all Tuesday

Y2 - Mondays & Fridays

Y3 - Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Y4 - Mondays & Thursdays

Y5 - Thursdays & Fridays

Y6 - Wednesdays & Fridays

Parents Evenings: Parents Evenings will be done virtually. The window for booking these is from 6th to 25th April. The earlier you go online to book, the more likely you will be to get the slot that you want.

Breakfast Club: Thanks to the staff who have got this back up and running successfully. This is available to book online through Parent Pay.

Reminder of pick up/drop off:

EYFS—Drop off 9am. Collect 3.05pm, prompt. **Lower Playground Gate.***

Years 1 & 2 —Drop off 8.45am. Collect at 3.10pm (Y1) and 3.15pm (Y2). **Top Pedestrian Gate.**

Years 3-6—Drop off at 8.50am. Collect **Y3** at 3.10pm, **Y4** at 3.15pm. **Y5&6** collected at 3.20pm (or they can walk home independently). **Lower Playground Gate.***

Collection/Drop off points:

***If you have children in Years 1 or 2 as well as children in other years, please use the Top Pedestrian Gate.**

Please ensure only 1 parent picks up / drops off to avoid too many people being on site and ensure you are prompt with the times.

Class/Y6 Photos: We have **Friday 11th June** scheduled in for class and Y6 Leavers photos. This date remains booked in at present.

Internet Safety: Thank you for regularly checking your child's devices (including social media and apps such as Whatsapp).

If you need further support, please do not hesitate to contact school, or check out our webpage dedicated to safeguarding.

<https://www.highgate.leics.sch.uk/safeguarding-including-e-safety/>