

Highgate Primary School Newsletter



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Welcome to our last half term of the academic year; and what a busy one we have got for you! *Mr Jenkinson*

Forest School: I have been asked to update parents about Forest School kit but will try to send reminders as necessary.

Forest School clothing is very much weather dependent. So if the forecast is cold, they will need additional warm clothing or if it is hot and sunny, they will need a hat/sun block.

Children need to have **separate shoes and coat** to their ordinary school clothing (something old that is ok to get muddy etc).

Children will also need to have **long sleeved tops and long trousers**. This is to keep them safe from midges and nettles.

We intend rolling this out over the whole year next year to other year groups and will send a letter notifying parents of the groups in advance of the Forest School sessions commencing.

Dates for your Diary

JUNE

22nd Y6 Wreake Valley transition day—cancelled

24th & 25th—Humphrey Perkins transition days—cancelled

30th Y6 Wreake Valley transition day—cancelled

JULY

1st Y6 Wreake Valley transition day—cancelled

6th—Y6 Play (Dress rehearsal) - zoom

6th—Y6 DARE Graduation

7th—Y6 Play—zoom (to parents) TBC

9th— End of Academic Year

AUGUST

23rd—INSET—Closed to children

24th —INSET—Closed to children

25th —Reopens for children

30th —Bank Holiday

31st—Y6 visit to Hathersage

More dates will follow...

Farewell Mrs Nash: We would like to wish Mrs Nash the best of luck as she moves onto pastures new with a bigger SEN role. We are pleased to let you know that Mrs Allen will take up the role of SENDCO at Highgate when she returns from Maternity. Mrs Sale will cover the role until then. Mrs Nash will be missed but we know that Mrs Allen and Mrs Sale will do a wonderful job.

Drop off/pick up procedures/times: We hope to be able to return to a normal routine upon our return in August for pick up/drop off. We will await further guidance following the July announcements and keep you informed.

Y6 Hathersage Residential—Sept 2021: We are pleased to have such a great uptake for the upcoming residential to Hathersage for the current Year 5s when they start in Year 6. This will run from Tuesday 31st August to Friday 3rd September. More details to follow for Y5 parents.

Class/Y6 Photos: All class photos should be returned to us over the next week. Please ensure you have ordered your photos (details with the proofs when they come out) by the end of June to enable them to be delivered to you by the end of term.

School Nurse Support: Parents can self-refer to 'Healthy Together' via the School Nursing office number, 0116 2156795. There is also a TEXT ONLY service that you can message for any enquiries (9-5 Monday to Friday) on 07520 615382.

Holiday Club: Do you need child care over the summer holiday? Little Apples will be available to book for two weeks between Monday 26th July and Friday 6th August. For more details contact Tracey 07708408701 or Littleapples2016@gmail.com

Parent Pay: We want to give you advanced notice that in the Autumn term we will be changing from using Parent Pay as a method of paying/ordering dinners and will move onto a new system called Arbor. This will bring us in line with the rest of the Bradgate Education Partnership. More information will be shared shortly on this.



Sports Day: While we were unable to invite parents along to Sports Day, we were able to hold a covid-safe event with the children who appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves. You should be very proud of how resilient and supportive all of your children were! More photos will be uploaded to the website soon.



2021/22 Term Dates

Autumn Term

INSET Mon 23rd and Tues 24th
Aug Schools open to children:
Wednesday 25/08/21
August Bank Hol Monday
30/08/21
Half Term Monday 18 to Friday
22/10/21 Schools Close Tues
21/12/21

Spring Term

INSET Wed 5th Jan
Schools open to children Thursday
06/01/22
Half Term Monday 14 to Friday
18/02/22 Schools Close Friday
08/04/22

Summer Term

Schools open Monday 25/04/22
May Day Bank Hol Monday
02/05/22
Half Term Monday 30/05/22 to
Friday 03/06/22
Spring Bank Hol 2nd June
Jubilee Bank Hol 3rd June
Schools Closes to children Friday
8th July 2022
INSET Mon 11th and Tues 12th
July

Last Week School Dinner Changes:

There are a few slight changes to the school dinner menu in the last week. Please check Parent Pay for details. **Wednesday 7th July** will be a **Seaside Special** (options on Parent Pay)

Y6 Sleepover Camp—17th & 18th June: Thanks to Mrs Palmer, Ms Deackes, Mrs Garfoot-White and Miss Hocking who all helped out with the Y6 Overnight Camp last week.



Y6 Performance and Transition Visits: Unfortunately due to the delay in lifting restrictions, we have been contacted by the secondary schools who have cancelled their transition days. The Y6 performance will also take place virtually (via Zoom) and we will record this to share with those parents unable to attend. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.