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Hilltop Infant School

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Weekly Newsletter

Monday 5th March 2018
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Attendance w/beg: 26th February 2018
 Whole School: 96.05%
 Class of the week: Birch - 98.31%

Chestnut 96.67%	Cherry 94.93%	Oak 95.71%
Ash 98.3%	Birch 98.31%	Elder 93.02%
Maple 93.10%	Willow 98.15%	

Lunchtime Craze of the Week KS1
 Top Trumps

Letters Home

Week Beginning 5th March 2018

School Dinners

Week 3

Forest School

No Forest School this week.



Upcoming Diary Dates

February

26th Booking closes for parent consultations
 27th & 28th Parent Consultations

March

1st World Book Day
 1st & 2nd School Nurse Team in for EYFS
 5th 9:15am Parent Workshop – Zone of Regulation
 6th Year 2 Sleepover meeting
 7th 1:30pm Parent Workshop - English Workshop,
 9th Spring Assemblies
 12th Year 1 and 2 History Day
 15th Whole Class Photos
 15th 6:30pm – Breck Foundation Presentation
 16th Year 2 Sleepover
 21st 1:30pm Maths Workshop, Year 2

School Closures

Looking out the office window today, it is hard to believe that just a couple of days ago we were covered in snow. The staff at Hilltop Infant school would like to extend their thanks to all the supportive parents who worked with us during last week's school closure. As always the safety of our children is always paramount and the school will always endeavour to make the best choices for our families and community. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that if they have any queries or concerns that they contact the school directly and treat the hard-working staff with the respect we try to instil in our children. Attached to this newsletter is the Social Media information that was shared before Christmas. Hopefully, a hot summer is now well on its way!

Year 2 Sleepover Meeting – 6th March

A meeting will be held on 6th March and this meeting must be attended if your child will wishes to come to the sleepover. Children are welcome to attend this meeting if you are unable to find alternative arrangements.

Fire Drill

This afternoon we had a planned evacuation. All children and staff left the building promptly and registered extremely quickly.

Spring Assemblies

Apologies but due to the weather last week letters for the spring assembly have not been sent. These will be in book bags tomorrow.

Display

We are planning a new display for the school foyer and would like to enlist your help. At Hilltop we are proud of our children and their hobbies, we feel this makes them different and unique; could we ask that a photo is sent in showing your child performing this unusual special interest to display in school.

Thank you for helping highlight our children's talents.

Mrs Thompson

Parent Workshops Year 2

The first workshop will be taking place on Wednesday this week at 1:30pm. Mrs Neve will be leading this workshop on English.

Thursday 15th March, 6:30pm

The Breck Foundation is raising awareness for playing safe whilst using the internet. Breck Bednar was a 14 year old boy, from Caterham, Surrey, who loved technology and online gaming. He was groomed via the internet and tragically murdered on 17th February 2014 by someone he met online.

Lorin LaFave, the mother of Breck Bednar, will be delivering a presentation about e-Safety on Thursday 15th March at 6:30pm and we invite you to attend.

GDPR

As some of you may know from your work life, new data protection legislation called General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) will come into force across all of Europe on May 25th 2018. Many aspect of these Regulations will be the same as those in the current Data Protection Act (DPA) but we will be ensuring that we review all of our current practices and update them so that any personal data we hold about children, staff and families is looked after appropriately. In the lead up to these changes, it may be necessary for us to send out paperwork for you to sign and we may need to ask you to update the information we hold. Thank you for your understanding.

Janeway's Joke



'What is a dog's favourite room in the house?'

The roof!

William, Elder class

If anyone else has a funny joke to make Janeway wag her tail, pop it on a bit of paper and hand it in to the office.



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Friday 12th January 2018

SOCIAL NETWORKING

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware from today's newsletter, we have had some concerns regarding Facebook, pupil safety and adult comments. The HEARTS Academy Trust has a strong policy on social networking sites and a duty of care to its community, pupils and staff. The policy is below and we thank parents for their support in this difficult matter.

The policy is:

We follow the age related guidance regarding social networking sites and where these are clearly being ignored Headteachers would share this information with the site concerned.

Where our schools are named on sites in a defamatory way or staff are named and discussed the school will take action up to and including legal action.

The staff will work with staff from other schools and alert them to any issues that they feel may be defamatory against any school or member of staff.

Any behaviour from adult or child which may be regarded in law as harassment or bullying will be referred to the police.

The names of parents who have been involved in defamatory discussions about schools or staff will be shared between schools.

Headteachers will discuss any incidents reported to them with the parent or child concerned. It will be up to Headteachers as to the action taken but this may include a written response to be kept on the child's file, a ban from the school premises, a referral to the police or legal action involving the schools' legal representatives.

We will also take action against any member of staff who does not follow the schools' code of conduct in relation to social networking sites.

Headteachers and Local Advisory Boards (governors) in local schools are extremely grateful for the excellent support that they receive from the vast majority of parents and know that the success of our schools is in large part due to the excellent level of support from our families. We know that some parents and children have had issues with these sites also and will welcome our strong stance.



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As always, parents can speak to the Headteacher of their child's school if they have any concerns regarding this.

The school will be providing training for parents on the use of the internet later in the year through our fully trained CEOP ambassadors in the Trust, Mr. Chapman, Mrs. Merrington, Miss Spalding and Mrs Fincher.

Yours Sincerely

Mr D Chapman



Wizz Kids

OPEN DAY

We warmly invite you all to Wizz Kids

Open Day

Saturday 10th March 2018

10am - 12pm

Grange Primary School

Elder Avenue, SS12 OLR