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Hilltop Infant School

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2017
 Newsletter No: 4

Attendance w/beg: 25.09.17
 Whole School: 95.49%
 Class of the week: Birch

Chestnut 93.20%	Cherry 92.50%	Oak 97.2%
Ash 96.67%	Birch 98.71%	Elder 93.33%
Maple 97.67%	Willow 93.79%	

Letters Home

Clubs
 Harvest Celebration
 Immunisation Consent Forms
 Proposal Letter
 Welcome letter from HEARTS

Week Beginning 2nd October 2017

School Dinners

Week 2



Forest School

Class	Group
Chestnut	B due to cancellation
Cherry	A
Oak	A



Upcoming Diary Dates

October

6th Harvest Celebration – Years 1 & 2 9:15am
 6th EYFS Workshop – followed by Harvest
 Celebration 2:10pm
 12th Open morning for 2018/19 intake, 9:15am
 19th School breaks for half term
 30th Children return after half term

November

3rd November, 2:30pm EYFS Workshop
 10th November, 2:30pm EYFS Workshop
 17th November, 2:30pm EYFS Workshop

Mrs Undrill

Today we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Angela Undrill who has worked as a member of our midday staff for 13 years. We wish Angela every happiness as she moved onto her new adventures.

Harvest

We have already started to receive harvest donations for next week. Many thanks to everyone who has sent in items. We would be really grateful if you would send all donations of toiletries and groceries into school by next Thursday morning so that we can arrange the harvest display on Thursday afternoon.

Crèche booking – Friday 6th October, 9:15am & 2:10pm

Bookings for crèche places for the Harvest Celebration need to be requested and paid for at the school office by **Tuesday 3rd October**. We will not be able to accept bookings after this date. A receipt will be issued and you will need to bring this on Friday morning to the crèche.

Coats

Please would everyone make sure that all children have a coat each day. A small number of children were quite chilly this morning at breaktime as they did not have a coat.

Parking

Thank you so much to all the drivers who are taking such care to make sure that our children and other pedestrians are safe.

New website

Our new website is now up and running but please bear with us with the transition from the old to new website. Please visit <http://hearts-hilltopinf.uk>

Clubs

In book bags today you will find a letter for clubs that we will be running this term alongside the Premier Sport clubs. Please return all club requests to the school office by Monday 2nd October. Clubs will be starting on Monday and if you have requested for your child to attend choir you will receive a text confirmation to confirm that your child has a place.

Flu Immunisations

Your child will have brought home a consent form for the flu immunisations being held in school on **Thursday 9 November**. Regrettably the nurses cannot administer the immunisation without your consent, therefore, the forms must be **returned by Tuesday 18 October**. If you do have any queries or concerns please call the Mid Essex Team on 01376 302769.

Walking Bus

Walking to school is healthy and fun, but can be difficult sometimes. The walking bus provides a safe way for children to walk to school. You benefit as you don't have to walk every day and the children really enjoy walking with friends. It's healthy for all of us and helps to make the roads around the school a safer place for everyone in the morning. The bus has several stops between Alicia and school, but we are very flexible about stops, so don't feel that you live too near school to be able to join the bus. If you would like information about your child joining the bus please ask at the office.

Sainbury's Vouchers

Thank you very much for all the Sainbury's vouchers that we collected. With these vouchers we have managed to get some lunch equipment, EYFS outdoor equipment and new PE equipment.

Sports Volunteer

Mrs Marsh is looking for a volunteer helper to attend sporting events throughout the year. The volunteer will need to have a valid DBS check, which we can arrange if you do not have one. There are events normally off site. If you are interested in helping Mrs Marsh please let the school office know. Thank you.

Year 2 Parent Open Mornings

Tuesday 7 November - 9.15 am to 10.15 am and Tuesday 21 November - 10.30 am to 11.30 am

If your child is currently in Year 2, Hilltop Junior School have two open mornings for you to look around the school. This will enable you to see the school in action and inform your decision. Letters will be sent out nearer the time with further information.

Trust Parent Forum

The Trust held its first Parent Forum Tuesday 26th September and it proved most valuable. Thank you to the parents that attended; discussions included the new term dates and the provision of SEN. We hope that our next meeting at Hearts House, Wickford, on the 9th January 2018 will have representatives from more schools - please let the Trust office know if you would like to attend by emailing Mrs Partridge on admin@heartsacademy.uk. Unfortunately we will have a limit on space and can only accommodate three parents from each Trust school.

Please see next page for Shipmates news.

SHIPMATES NEED YOU!



Over the past years we hope you have been able to see the benefits and enjoyments that our children have experienced through Shipmates and the extras we have been able to provide the school that are otherwise out of reach.

Throughout the school calendar the children are able to enjoy our Fun Family Discos, A Festive Christmas Bazaar, Bake Sales, A Fantastic Summer Fete, and not forgetting everyone's favourite, Freeze Pop Friday!

We have received amazing support from the parents and staff of Hilltop and without you we would not have been able to provide the school with the following;

A Trip to the Panto for all children every other Christmas	Gifts at Christmas	Chocolates at Easter	Important Equipment for Classrooms
Forest School Equipment	Coaches to the CLC	Ipads	Schools Library Subscription

We are looking for new volunteers and ideas to help boost the schools fundraising. You can volunteer your time in any way possible, from attending our meetings in the evenings or wrapping presents for the lucky dip stalls, all jobs are important! Shipmates have a red post box in the Office where you can contact us or you can leave your details with the Office Staff who will pass it along. Please do not be nervous about coming forward, it is a great way to get to know more parents in the school.

We will be sending details out shortly for our upcoming AGM but in the meantime please keep an eye out for the Shipmates Noticeboard in the playground. We look forward to welcoming you!

Thank you

Shipmates.