



# Hughenden Primary School

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## Newsletter – September 2017

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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first monthly Newsletter giving you lots of useful and exciting information. We hope you have all had a lovely summer and are ready for the new term ahead. We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new children, parents and families who have joined us this term along with new staff.

### SCHOOL NEWS

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#### Registration

The start of our school day in the classroom is 9am and it is important for children to be in school and settled ready to learn. Any children entering school after this time will have to sign in with the office so we can ensure they are marked as present on the register.

#### Hot School Lunches – Dolce

We are very pleased to continue our good working relationship with Dolce as providers for our daily hot school meals! By using your online portal provided to you by the Live Kitchen at Dolce, you have the facility to pre-order your children's lunch online, view all the menu options, ingredients, etc. If you are having any trouble logging in to your portal, please contact the Live Kitchen directly and they will be able to resolve the issue. The number to call is 01506 300310.

Please note that only one parent can have a pre-order login. Should you wish to have shared access, then please give them a call and they will sort this for you. The current menu covers up to the end of the Autumn Term and can also be found on our website.

Please could we request that parents pre-order their child's meal at home as this helps reduce the time taken during the morning to organise lunches for the day. Please be aware that if you wish to cancel a meal order, it must be cancelled by 9:30am at the very latest. Unfortunately failure to do so will result in a charge of £2.40. The school unfortunately does not have the facility to cancel orders on parent's behalf. Please contact Dolce directly.

#### Packed Lunches

We actively encourage healthy eating within our school. Pupils need a well-balanced diet therefore please avoid fizzy drinks and unhealthy snacks. Dolce serve hot school lunches every day. Children in KS1 are eligible for Universal Free School Meals and children in KS2 can order daily meals at a cost of £2.40. Their menu is delivered on a three week rotational basis. To view the menu choices, please visit our school website.

With regards to break time, KS2 children should not bring in unhealthy snacks, only fruit is permitted.

### **E Schools login** – what it's used for

All new children have been issued with their own ESchools login. ESchools provide our VLE (Virtual Learning Environment) and teachers will use this to set children's homework. Each class has a home page where they will share information and topics covered in class. Parents will also use their login to book appointments for Parents Evening as they arise. The dates for our first meetings are listed below.

### **Parents Evening**

This year Parents Evening is taking place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 3:00pm – 6:30pm. As previously, parents can book their parents evening appointment using the eschools facility. We will notify you nearer the time when bookings can be made.

### **Medical**

Our First Aider, Mrs Suchowierchi will be working on compiling the medical records for all the new children. If you have disclosed any medical needs for your child which requires medication of any kind, please call in to see Mrs Suchowierchi between 8:45 –9:00am to discuss further and complete any relevant consent forms.

### **Quackers Day Nursery – Wraparound Care Provider**

As you will already be aware, Quackers Day Nursery now provides our entire wrap around care in school.

The Breakfast Club runs from 7.30am up to the start of the school day and After School Club runs from 3.30-6pm every day.

Full details can be found at [www.quackersoutofschoolclubs.co.uk](http://www.quackersoutofschoolclubs.co.uk). You must register your child on their website before bookings can be made. Obviously any queries can be directed to the customer service team via email on [info@quackersoutofschoolclubs.co.uk](mailto:info@quackersoutofschoolclubs.co.uk) or by calling 01635 247 555. This information can also be found under our 'Wrap Around Care' page on our school website.

### **Swimming Year 3 / 4**

All children from Year 3 and 4 will be attending weekly swimming lessons at Wycombe Leisure Centre. Tuition will be provided by the Centre's swimming instructors/ school staff. The lessons will take place every Monday starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September to Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017 (Twelves sessions all together).

Please ensure your child brings all their kit with them every week to avoid another journey to school for you!

### **Contact Information for Parents – Data Collection Sheets**

Should your contact information change, for example, mobile number or email address, please inform the school office so we can update your child's records. During the course of this term we will be sending out the Data Collection Sheet for you to check and update the information we hold on file for your children.

### **Foundation**

From week commencing Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September, Foundation will stay for the whole day and finish at 3:20pm. We find with a slightly staggered finish from the other children leaving at 3:30 helps to alleviate parking in the surrounding roads. With effect from the 18<sup>th</sup> September, the Foundation children will be able to book into After School Club as they will be full time.

### **Meet the Teacher – Foundation**

We are pleased to inform you that our Meet the Teacher event for Foundation is taking place on Wednesday 20th September at 9:00am. This will give you an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher for the next academic year. Thank you for attending the Meet the Teacher sessions across years 1-6, we hope you found them informative. The Curriculum Overviews are on the website for each year group if you couldn't attend.

The following sites will be used for homework and supporting learning at home:

Login details for Espresso Home Pupil Access: <http://home.espresso.co.uk> – these are generic for the whole school.

Login details for Number Gym:                      username: hughenden                      password: numbergym

### **Open Days for prospective parents – September 2017 Intake**

We are pleased to announce 3 Open Days for prospective parents to visit school in time for their school applications.

The dates are as follows: Wednesday 11th October, Tuesday 7th November and Tuesday 28th November. They all run between 9:30 – 10:45am. Please give the school office a call to book. We are happy for you to share this information with anyone you know who has a child due to start school in September 2018.

There is lots of useful information along with all the crucial dates on the Bucks County Council Admissions Page, all of which can be found on our website under 'About the School' and 'Admissions'.

### **Moving Up to Secondary School**

Please note that the deadline for applications is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 for all Year 6 children moving up to Secondary School. Personalised letters with login details to complete your child's application online are provided to us by the admissions team and have already been sent home. We have a limited supply of hard paper copies for you to make your application. If you need it please drop by to collect.

### **Tempest Photography**

Please note that on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September Tempest will be visiting our school to take individual and sibling photos of the children. Please could we ask all children to arrive to school smartly dressed. The photographer is happy to take photos of children with non-school siblings between 8:30 – 9:00am. No booking is required just turn up.

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> the Bucks Free Press will be visiting Foundation during the morning for 'My First Term' photo. If there is any reason why your child shouldn't be included then please let us know.

### **School Uniform – Ultimate Incentives**

We delighted to see all our children returning to school looking so smart. School Uniform can be purchased through Ultimate Incentives either via their school website or alternatively directly at their shop based on Missenden Road. Orders placed online will be delivered to school and given to the child to take home. Full information on the uniform kit list required can be found on our school website under 'Uniform'.

Please could you check that all your children's uniform are labelled correctly. This is to reduce the amount of lost items in lost property and to also ensure uniform misplaced can be returned to its owner.

Children will need to ensure they have all their equipment in school every day including PE Kits, wellington boots, Forest School kit if appropriate and lunch box if they aren't having a hot lunch. Just a reminder, please could you ensure wellies are brought in a clearly labelled carrier bag. It is also vital children arrive with a coat in case of bad weather.

Please note, due to limited space around school, children are not permitted to bring large rucksacks. A drawstring bag / book bag is ideal.

For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school. Children should not wear jewellery other than watches and small plain gold or silver stud earrings (they must be removed for PE). Parents who wish their child to have pierced ears need to do so at the beginning of the summer holidays so that they can be removed for the start of term.

We request long hair to be tied back neatly away from the face with a plain hair band or suitable scrunchy. No extreme hairstyles or hair gel is permitted in school.

### **Lollipop Crossing Patrol**

The Lollipop crossing patrol is run by Bucks County Council supported by a committee to ensure it remains viable. From time to time we will organise Walk to School initiatives to raise funds to ensure this important service remains in place for our children. If you are able to donate to this important fund, please contact the school office and we will put you in touch with the new representatives.

We have crossing patrollers every morning and afternoon to ensure that all children can cross our road safely. We hope you continue to use this service which in turn will help alleviate the traffic and parking in the local area.

### **Safety and Parking Information**

Please note the turning circle is out of bounds. There are two disabled parking space for parents with a parking permit issued by school. In the morning, please follow the pedestrian route. Staff will be out to guide if needed. We would ask you all to be aware and careful of traffic entering and leaving the Day Care Centre adjacent to school.

This week Year 3 will receive a letter regarding 'Permission to Walk Home' for your completion if you feel appropriate. For all other KS2 year groups if your decision has changed, please notify the school office.

### **School Travel Plan**

Throughout the next term we will be organising various initiatives as part of our School Travel Plan to help promote active and sustainable travel to and from school. Further details will follow shortly.

### **WOW:**

Following a great response from children last year, we will be taking part in WOW, the year round walk to school challenge, again this school year.

Pupils record how they get to school on the WOW Travel Tracker and those who walk once per week for a month are rewarded with a themed badge. It's simple to run, fun and easy to take part.

More information can be found on [www.livingstreets.co.uk](http://www.livingstreets.co.uk).

### **Home Run:**

We are happy to let you know that Hughenden Primary School have been selected to receive a smart phone app called HomeRun.

This is an exciting new digital service encompassing all things relating to the school commute. HomeRun lets you:

- Receive important communications from your child's school and Buckinghamshire County Council.
- Connect with nearby parents and easily organise shared journeys
- Keep track of your child's journey in real time when they are travelling alone
- Encourage more active school commutes, and better understand the impact of the school run on both your life and the environment

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#### **AUTUMN TERM 2017 DATES**

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<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Active Gamerz School Assembly</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Tempest Photography – Individual and Siblings</b>
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Meet the Teacher – Foundation Class</b>
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>Foundation Class ‘My First Term’ – Bucks Free Press</b>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	<b>Year 4 Maths Challenge at Davenies</b>
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Manor Farm Maths Challenge</b>
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:15 – 10:00 and 3:00 – 3:30pm Friends Stay and Play 3:30 – 5:30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	<b>Hughenden Church Assembly</b>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Open Morning 9:30 – 10:45am</b>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Harvest Festival at Hughenden Church</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Friends Halloween Disco</b>
<b>W/C Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>Back to School</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	<b>Flu Vaccinations – Year F, 1,2,3,4</b>
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	<b>Parents Evening 3 – 6:30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Open Morning 9:30 – 10:45am</b>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Parents Evening 3 – 6:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Empire Cinema Trip – Year 4, 5 and 6</b>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Remembrance Service</b>
<b>W/C Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Parliament Week</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Empire Cinema Trip – F, 1, 2, 3</b>
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Friends Christmas Shopping Event</b>
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	<b>Trenchard Museum Trip – Year 5 and 6</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Friends Film Night</b>

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Switching on the Lights at the Hughenden Village Shop</b>
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Open Morning</b>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>Child Bereavement Concert – Eden Shopping Centre – Details to follow</b>
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas Bazaar led by The Friends</b>
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Nativity Performance – Year F, 1 and 2</b>
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Nativity Performance – Year F, 1 and 2</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas Carols at the Church</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Last Day of Term – 1:30pm Finish Friends Christmas Party</b>
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Back to School</b>
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Friends Film Night</b>
<b>W/C Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Back to School Calshot Meeting – Year 6</b>
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Energise Performance</b>
<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Energise Performance</b>
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Last Day of Term – 1:30pm Finish Friends Mufti Day</b>
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Friends Quiz Night</b>
<b>W/C Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Back to School</b>
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Hughenden Village Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Last Day of Term – 1:30pm Finish</b>

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