

# **Hughenden Primary School**

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Newsletter – July 2021

**SCHOOL NEWS** 



Dear Parents / Carers,

A reminder that our final INSET day of the year is on July 9<sup>th</sup> so there will be no school for pupils on the day. Also, here is a reminder of our Year 6 celebrations taking place in the last week of term:

- Monday 19th July Woodrow outdoor day. See previous communication
- Tuesday 20th July We have a special leavers celebration planned for your children. They are all invited to come back to school at 5pm 8pm for an end of term celebration. Warm clothes and a smile essential! Please wear leavers hoodies. Food will be provided but please can they bring a drink with them. Ideally in a disposable bottle or carton. Children must be collected from the main gate at 8pm, we will not let them walk home alone.
- Wednesday 21st July Y6 leavers service Y6 parents are welcome from 9.30am, through the
  pedestrian gate. We have not yet made a final decision as to whether this is to be held indoors or
  outdoors so please dress accordingly and make sure you wear a face covering. Social distancing
  much be adhered to and we request only parents attend.

Please do sign up and use the Go Fund Me page – details below under PTA section to raise additional funds for the PTA and ultimately for your children. Thank you also to the new committee for hitting the ground running and putting the information below together for your information.

A warm welcome to our new pupils: Adrian Infantes (Y4) Daniel Pugliese (Y3) – starting 12<sup>th</sup> July

Have a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,
Miss J E Garlick
Interim Headteacher

## **Holiday Activity Fund**

We have been asked to forward you this information on behalf of Buckinghamshire Council to our families whose children are eligible for free school meals to make you aware of an exciting holiday activity scheme that will be available this summer for children aged 5-16 who receive benefits-based free school meals. The Buckinghamshire holiday activity and food (HAF) programme will offer free, fun activities throughout the summer holidays to all eligible children.

Each activity will be accompanied by a hot nutritious meal at no extra cost. Children can access up to four weeks' worth of holiday activities under the HAF programme.

Activities on offer range from sports and adventure activities, games and crafting, to music production and life skills. Children will be able to enjoy fun, creative and physical activities, including learning about cooking and gardening.

Please let your eligible families know about this programme by directing them to <a href="https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/holiday-activity-fund">www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/holiday-activity-fund</a> to find out more. An activity directory listing all available activity sessions, will be available on the website very soon. In the meantime parents/carers can sign up to receive email updates about the Buckinghamshire HAF programme using our <a href="https://www.buckinghamshire">webform</a>.

Sport4kids are part of the HAF program. Children who don't qualify for this can also book paid sessions.



#### **Free Drama Sessions**

We're aware that many school children are currently having to self-isolate which we know can be a challenge. In order to help young families during this difficult time, we have set up some special online drama, dance and singing classes which children can access for free whilst they're at home self-isolating.

Our short 30 minute online classes will provide a fun and educational break in the day, allowing children a moment of self-expression, to get up, dance, move around and sing.

If you would like to share this invitation with any children who are self-isolating, we'd love to see them at our interactive drama sessions.

To book a free class please go to our website here.

## **Water Safety**

Please see below a link for a Petition which was started by Rebecca Ramsay, BEM who has worked tirelessly as a water safety campaigner for nearly 10 years following the tragic drowning of her son Dylan. Rebecca has been petitioning the Government to Increase curriculum content about water safety as part of swimming lessons.

We would be really grateful and appreciate it if you could send or advertise this link to your parents.

<u>Link:</u> https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/576563?fbclid=IwAROON2 zAmaflkmxrRXum060dCKJNtugN XYV3x2CozgbcYhkRFTi6O0fFqw

## Schoolgrid - Hot Lunches

Please note that due to the PTA end of term parties taking place on the 14<sup>th</sup> July, we have reverted to packed lunches from Dolce for the day – the menu has been updated to reflect this. If you have placed a pre-order, please login and amend your booking. Parent pre-ordering will be open from Wednesday 4th August 2021 for the next academic year.



Thank you for supporting the One Can Trust foodbank. Here's a list of the current items needed for us to support approx. 296 people per week in South Bucks.



Eggs UHT milk

Baby formula milk:

(only Aptamil or Cow and Gate stages 1 & 2)

Nappies (sizes 0, 3, 4, 7 & 8 only)

Tinned ham, corned beef, meat pies

Oil / olive oil (500ml)

Condiments eg Mayonnaise / Ketchup

Baked Beans Tinned fruit

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**Biscuits** 

**Healthy cereals** 

Fresh fruit and veg



Soup

Rice

Peas and sweetcorn

**Crisps and confectionery** 

Tea

(plus alternatives such as fruit and green tea)

Homemade food

Alcohol

**Empty egg boxes** 

Thank you but we either currently have plenty of these items or don't collect them

Please DO NOT leave fresh fruit and vegetables in supermarket donation cages.

## Things to do in the Summer Holidays

Please follow the link below from the Family Information Service for activities during the Summer Holidays. https://directory.familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/?categories=holiday-activities&collection=things-to-do&fbclid=lwAR3aQlpo8 xBLBLz6ebLGArACIZO4-

4ij UFML08 gWl6XK3sNcLogIh5jU&keywords=Summer&page=1

## **SchoolGrid accounts**

Thank you for all our parents for supporting us in ordering your child's school lunch from home, it really does help us. Our preference is for all pupils in KS1 to order a school lunch as this is funded from the government but if for particular reasons you prefer to make a packed lunch, that is also fine on the understanding that there will not be any spare lunch if the lunchbox is forgotten!

Please can parents in KS2 check their account balances and ensure there are funds available to cover all meals ordered and taken as we have been informed that some balances have been outstanding for a number of weeks. We have been asked to remind parents that balances should be cleared before the end of term, especially for children who are in Year 6 – thank you for your support.

## Friends of Hughenden Primary School

Dear Friends of Hughenden,

I thought it would be a good idea, before we break for Summer, to let you know what the PTA has been up to and thank you for your on-going support.

## Fundraising projects?

The PTA agreed to raise money to donate for the following projects:

- Summer Disco (£245)
- Outdoor Learning equipment (approximate cost £284.21)
- Puzzle Challenge day for each class in September (approximate cost £395)
- Teachers Floats. We donate a float to the teachers each term to spend on topic specific activities/resources with their class (£360 total)

#### **Events held and funds raised**

- 1) Go Fund Me. Due to COVID fundraising events have been almost impossible, with this is mind, it was decided at our last meeting to try and raise money for the school projects with a Go Fund Me page. The current total is £310, that's nearly enough to cover the Puzzle Challenge Day. If you wish to donate, please find the details at this address: https://gofund.me/007b40e5
- 2) Ice Pop Sale. Before May half term we held an Ice Pop sale, despite the weather, we raised £189.88. Thank you to Carlene Evans for helping the committee run this event.
- 3) Tea and Coffee and preloved uniform sale at Induction day. Total still to be confirmed.

#### **Funds donated to school**

- 1) Teacher Floats have been distributed for the final term. £90 for Early Years and £45 per class.
- 2) Summer Disco £245.

## **Dates for your Diary!**

- 1) Mufti Day and School Disco in class bubbles Wednesday 14th July. £1 donation to the PTA.
- 2) Ice Pop Sale Friday 16th July cost 50p.

## How to keep up to date with PTA events and fundraising

- 1) Classlist is used to convey information to parents regarding our activities. Please make sure you're checking for updates via the App or <a href="https://www.classlist.com">www.classlist.com</a>
- 2) FaceBook @Friends of HPS

## Get involved!

We are looking for two new Class Reps. Currently Alka and myself are on the board for the committee and class reps. We would like to get some more parents/careers involved and therefore are looking for volunteers to take on the role of current Foundation class rep and Year 2 class rep. Many hands make light work, and the more support and volunteers we have the better! If you're interested in getting involved or have any fundraising ideas, contact us at: friends.hughedenprimary@gmail.com

Uniform donations: do you have any good quality uniform preferably with logo that you no longer need? Please donate it to the PTA so we can sell as part of 2nd hand uniform sales.

## How can you help raise funds for our projects throughout the year?

- 1) Amazon Smile. Earn money for our school on every item you purchase.
- 2) Stikins: Stick in Name Labels. If you are ordering Stikins name labels PLEASE use the fundraising number 10300 so that we get 15% commission. <a href="https://www.stikins.co.uk/">https://www.stikins.co.uk/</a>
- 3) Clothes Recycling Bin . Donate any clean, unwanted adults and children clothing, paired shoes, handbags and linen.

## Go Fund Me page

The PTA have set up a Go Fund Me page to help raise funds to improve the outdoor learning educational resources and equipment on the school site. Please follow the link below to make your donation: <a href="https://uk.gofundme.com/f/forest-school-educational-resources-equipment">https://uk.gofundme.com/f/forest-school-educational-resources-equipment</a>

Thank you to everyone who had already donated, it is very much appreciated.

## **Next Open Meeting:**

AGM Wednesday 15th September, 8pm, venue TBC - the board ensures the day to day running of Friends PTA Committee but can't run it alone! We rely heavily on our Class Reps and Volunteers. Thanks to all that have supported us so far.

## **SUMMER TERM 2021**

28 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 – 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 incl	Swimming – Year 3 – 11 weeks
9 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	INSET DAY
12 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Year 5 Trip – WISE Mosque trip
	Year 4 Trip – Wycombe Museum/The Rye
	Reports out to Parents
13 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Sports Day – in house only due to Covid restrictions
14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	PTA End of term celebrations (by year group bubbles)
	Mufti Day (PTA £1 donation)
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Reserve Sports Day – in house only due to Covid restrictions
16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Year 1 and 2 trip to Hughenden Manor
	PTA Ice pop sale after school – 50p
19 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Y6 Woodrow Extended Day Trip
20 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Y6 Evening and Campfire
21st July 2021	Y6 Leavers Service (outdoor) 9.30am
	Last Day of Term, 1.30pm finish
2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021	Return to School – new academic year
1/9/21, 22/10/21, 4/1/22, 25/4/22, 8/7/22	INSET DAYS