

# **Hughenden Primary School**

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Newsletter – September 2023 SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year; since we welcomed the pupils back on Tuesday, they have all settled in remarkably well, displaying enthusiasm and a readiness to embrace the new learning challenges of this year.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new foundation families who have joined our school community. We are thrilled to have you on board and look forward to working closely with you to ensure a successful and fulfilling educational journey for your children.

With the start of a new term, it is important to remind everyone about the correct uniform to be worn during the main school day and for PE days. This also includes wearing the appropriate shoes, socks, and accessories. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to take this opportunity to emphasise the importance of regular attendance. Attending school consistently not only allows our students to fully engage in their learning, but also fosters a sense of commitment and responsibility. It is through regular attendance that our children develop the necessary skills and knowledge to thrive academically and socially. I kindly request parents to prioritise their child's education by ensuring their punctuality and attendance.

As you will have seen on your Class Dojo page, we are holding year group coffee mornings where they will be an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and receive information about the weekly routines. If you are unable to attend, the presentations will be shared via Class Dojo.

As we progress through the year, I would like to thank you for your continued support and cooperation. If for any reason you have any question or queries, then please do not hesitate to contact myself either face-to-face or via the school office.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Katherine Mann Headteacher

# **Coffee Mornings**

The parent/ teacher coffee mornings will take place from 9.30am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. Your child's class teacher will be sharing information about the class routines and curriculum content. If you are unable to make them, the presentations will be available on your child's Class Dojo page.



# **Absences**

If your child is absent, please can you email <u>attendance@hughendenprimary.co.uk</u> with your child's full name and school year with the reason why they are absent from school. If this can be done no later than 9.30am, it really helps us account for all children.

# **Music Tuition at Hughenden**



We work with a number of providers who deliver private music lessons to children throughout the school day. We will be organising some taster assemblies in the Autumn Term for children to see what's on offer. Children have the opportunity of learning guitar taught through Little Strummers, brass taught through The Bucks Music Trust and, piano and singing through Music Tutors 4 U. Please look at our website for their contact details; Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs.

## Extra – Curricular Term Dates 2023

Please see our Clubs Timetable for the Autumn Term. All the details of how to book can be found on our school website under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs.

DAY	Club	Type of Session	Start Date	How to Book	Times	Finish Date
MONDAY	Strumming Club	Music Foundation – Year 6	11/09/2023	Open to everyone, instruments provided. ( <b>Free of Charge</b> ) Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	Monday lunchtimes	18/12/2023
TUESDAY						
WEDNESDAY	Choir	Foundation – Year 6	06/09/2023	Choir, open to everyone. ( <b>Free of Charge</b> ) Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	Wednesday lunchtimes	13/12/2023
	Orchestra	Foundation – Year 6	06/09/2023	Our new school orchestra, open to all children who are learning to play any instrument (or have learned in the past), in or out of school Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	3:20pm – 4:15pm	13/12/2023
THURSDAY	Samurai Kickboxing	Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3	14/09/2023	Booking form on School Website Under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs (Please note there will be no club on 26 Oct and 2 Nov)	3:15 - 4.15pm	07/12/2023
FRIDAY	Gym Club	Foundation – Year 6	15/09/2023	Booking link on School Website Under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs Premier Sport – 16 places	3.30-4.30pm	15/12/2023

#### Extra-Curricular Autumn Term 2023 (Version 3)

Our Wrap Around Care is managed by Sport4 Kids who offer Breakfast Club from 7.30-8.50 am and After School Club from 3.20-6pm daily. They also offer a variety of clubs each day for the first hour which is open to all children. Full details can be found on our website. Go to: Parent Hub/Wrap Around Care.

We also offer music lessons during the school day which are run by Little Strummers and Music Tutors 4U. If your child is interested in signing up for these lessons, please go to: Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs for more information.

In order to comply with GDPR requirements, all forms need to be returned directly to the provider along with payment.





OPEN EVENING

**THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2023** 5.00pm – 8.00pm

- Headteacher talks throughout the evening
- Tour the Academy
- Visit our new multi-million pound Sports Hall
- Speak to our students and specialist teachers

Please book your space via our website





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# School Uniform

As noted in our uniform policy, parents can purchase non-branded uniform widely from local supermarkets. For example, if KS2 children prefer to wear a cardigan, a plain navy cardigan is perfectly acceptable.

Hughenden Hoppers Preschool						
White or pale blue polo shirt						
Preschool logo cardigan or sweatshirt						
Preschool logo book bag						
Hughenden Primary School						
KS1 Girls (Foundation - Year 2)	KS1 Boys (Foundation - Year 2)					
Pale blue polo shirt	Pale blue polo shirt					
School logo sweatshirt or cardigan	Grey trousers or shorts					
Grey skirt or grey pinafore dress or smart grey	White, grey, navy or black socks					
trousers	School logo sweatshirt					
Checked blue/white dresses during the						
Summer Term - optional						
White or navy socks, grey or black tights						
Headscarves can be worn for religious reasons						
in plain blue or grey.						
KS2 Girls (Years 3-6)	KS2 Boys (Years 3-6)					
White shirt (long or short sleeved)	White shirt (long or short sleeved)					
School tie	School tie					
Navy blue <u>v-neck</u> jumper with the school logo	Navy blue <u>v-neck</u> jumper with the school logo					
Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress	Grey trousers or shorts in the Summer - optional					
White, grey, navy or black socks	White, grey, navy or black socks					
Blue/white checked dress in the Summer						
Headscarves can be worn for religious reasons						
in plain blue or grey.						
Whilst it is desirable for children to wear the logo uniform, we accept this may not be affordable to all our families. As such, children can wear a plain navy sweatshirt or cardigan which is available widely.						
Our PTA have a selection of 2 <sup>nd</sup> hand uniform av	railable, please email them on					
friends.hughendenprimary@gmail.com	andole, piedse einan arenn on					
All Children: these items are essential please						
Sensible shoes – black						
Wellington boots						
Trainers or plimsolls and socks						
Named drawstring PE Bag	hite t chint DE coole					
Navy tracksuit, top and bottoms, navy shorts, white t-shirt, PE socks School book bag with logo (for preschool, Foundation and KS1 only)						
Drinking bottle for water	actor and KST Only)					
Lunchbox for KS2 Children if not taking a hot lur	ach.					
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ALL ITEMS MUST BE LABELLED AND NAMED PL	EASE					
Long hair should be tied back neatly away from Any hair accessories should be in school colours	the face. No extreme hairstyles or hair gel is permitted. . Nail varnish is not permitted.					
Jewellery No jewellery is permitted in school except for m	edical alert items.					

# **Dolce**

Please see the attached letter regarding the phasing out of the direct debit payment option. From w/c 21st August 2023 ALL existing Direct Debit accounts will be cancelled and accounts will be set to 'cash'.

#### Future Ways to Pay

Parents can make a payment online by logging on to their SG account and clicking [account] - [make a card payment] or by contacting customer care on 01942 707709 (option 1).

#### 31/03/2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

We sincerely hope that your child is enjoying their Dolce school meals as much as we enjoy preparing and serving them. If you have any feedback on how we can improve our service please let us know by contacting our customer care team.

Although only a small percentage of our customers use the Direct Debit facility, we have an increasing level of debt caused by failed payments that we cannot unfortunately continue to sustain. For this reason we have made the decision to phase-out this payment option.

From w/c 21st August 2023 ALL existing Direct Debit accounts will be cancelled and accounts will be set to 'cash' which means you can pay online or over the telephone.

Final Collection

Usual 1st of the month collections:

There will be a direct debit collection on or around 04.08.2023 for meals taken 26/06/23 to 21/07/23.

Direct debit statements may be sent, by email, slightly later than the 15th of the month

If this D/D fails, there will then be a second attempted collection on 15.08.2023.

Usual 15th of the month collections:

Usual collection will take place for meals taken 01/07/23 to 31/07/23.

Direct debit statements will be sent on the usual date of 01/08/23.

There will be no recollection should this direct debit fail.

How to make future Payments

You can make a payment online by logging on to your SG account and clicking [account] -[make a card payment] or by contacting customer care on 01942 707709 (option 1).

We ask that all School meal accounts are kept in credit at all times. Any meals taken will be deducted from your remaining credit.

If a meal is taken with no credit on your account, a polite reminder will be sent to you by email. If a maximum of three meals has been taken and no payment has been made then we will not be able to supply further school meals until the balance is cleared.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact Customer Care.

Kind Regards,

Angle Lingwood (Head of Customer Care)



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#### Here is the complete list of Term Dates and inset days for the 2023/2024 term



2023 - 2024 Term Dates

#### Autumn Term 2023

Tuesday 5th September – Thursday 19th October – Autumn 1

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October - Half Term

Monday 30th October - Tuesday 19th December (1:30pm finish) - Autumn 2

Wednesday 20th December - Wednesday 3rd January - Christmas Holiday

#### Spring Term 2024

Thursday 4th January - Friday 9th February - Spring 1

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February - Half Term

Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March (1:30pm finish) - Spring 2

Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April- Easter Holiday

#### Summer Term 2024

Monday 15th April - Thursday 23rd May - Summer 1

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May - Half Term

Monday 3rd June – Tuesday 23rd July (1:30pm finish) – Summer 2

Wednesday 24th July- Summer Holiday

## INSET Days – School Closed for all pupils

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023

Monday 4th September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Friday 24th May 2024

Friday 5th July 2024

# **DIARY DATES 2023**

5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Start of Autumn Term		
w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Meet the Teacher Coffee Mornings, 9.15am		
W/CII September 2025	Mon – Year 6		
	Tue – Year 3		
	Wed – Year 4		
	Thu – Year 1		
	Fri – Year 5		
18 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Foundation Coffee Morning, 9.15		
29 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	PTA Quiz		
October 2023	Black History Month		
4 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Parents Phonics Workshop		
10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	World Mental Health Day		
11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Open Classrooms 3.30-4pm		
12 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Open Day to prospective parents 9.30am		
w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	PTA Halloween Disco – date/details to be confirmed		
20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	INSET DAY		
6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Remembrance Assembly		
	Parents Evening – times to be confirmed		
	(book on eSchools from 1/10/23)		
8 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Parents Evening – times to be confirmed		
	(book on eSchools from 1/10/23)		
9 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Open Day to prospective parents, 9.30am		
10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Diwali Mufti Day – PTA led		
w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Anti-Bullying Week		
17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Children in Need – more details to follow		
w/c 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Road Safety Week – more details to follow		
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	KS1 Nativity – AM – times to be confirmed		
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	KS1 Nativity – PM – times to be confirmed		
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	School Fayre		
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	PTA Disco – TBC + Mufti		
9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Open Day to prospective parents, 9.30am		
24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Travelling Book Fayre		
29 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Village Day – rescheduled date from 2023		