



Hughenden Primary School

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Newsletter – June 2018

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Dear Parents,

SCHOOL NEWS

School Reports

Children's end of year school reports will be sent home on Wednesday the 11th of July. You will have the opportunity to raise any general queries at our Open Day. These dates are determined by when the Key Stage 2 data is available.

Road Safety in and Around Our School

We appreciate only too well the frustrations that can occur when it is the beginning of the school day and particularly at the end when we all converge at about the same time onto the estate roads around the school.

However, we cannot let ourselves lose sight of the need to be so careful not only with our parking and how we pull away, but also driving on and off the estate. Our children are safe with the staff until you arrive. They will not be safe outside the school site if we are not cautious in our driving and manoeuvres.

Local residents appreciate school staff being visible in Hi Vis and the Lollipop Crossing is there to encourage families to walk to school, as well as our Crocodile that has begun on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

We do appreciate that we are all trying to be considerate to residents and that sometimes we don't always make the best choices in our haste, but above all this is about the safety of our children.

Open Day

We will be holding an Open Day on Monday the 16th of July. The first time slot for this will be from 2:30 to 3:15 and the second will be from 3:45 to 4:30. Teachers will not be available to talk to between 3:15 to 3:45 as they will be seeing the children out safely. Parents are welcome to visit and look around the school, visit new teachers and visit new classrooms and talk to staff. Please note if you need a separate appointment please contact the school office to arrange.

Secondary School Transfer Presentation

We are holding a Secondary School Transfer presentation for parents of pupils in Year 5 on Monday 9th of July 2018 at 3:00pm.

The presentation, devised by Bucks County Council, will outline the processes and timescales involved in secondary school transfer. The 11+ selection will also be discussed. At the end there will be an opportunity to ask questions. We will be handing out the Secondary Transfer Test Familiarisation Booklet and the Moving up to Secondary School leaflet at this event. It is important that all families are represented and we very much hope that you will be able to attend.

Book Fair

We will be holding our Book Fair with Travelling Books from the 11th to the 15th of June from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in the Knowledge Hub. In order to offer you value for money they are running an offer of 3 for 2 – the cheapest book will be free.

Children who wish to purchase a book should be accompanied by a parent/carer to avoid children bringing in loose cash which could easily be lost. Only payments of cash or cheques made payable to Hughenden Primary School will be accepted. We are unable to take card payments. School will receive 25% of the total sales to spend on books for the school. Every purchase, however small, counts towards this.

Alongside this, Mrs Baker will be running a separate book fair with Usborne Books and has kindly agreed to donate 60% of proceeds to the school.

Tempest

Please note that the deadline for ordering Tempest class photo orders is Wednesday 27th of June. Proof for Year 4 and Year 6 will be sent home soon. Unfortunately, both class teachers were unavoidably absent when the first photo was taken. Tempest have returned to re-take the Year 4 and Year 6 photos and you will receive both proofs to choose from.

Attendance

We would like to remind all parents of the importance of good attendance.

Whilst we appreciate some absences are avoidable, for example illness and medical appointments, it is important parents understand that children's attendance data is used to support a multitude of things, for example high needs funding bids and appeal processes. A poor attendance could have a detrimental effect on any outcomes. We aim to work with you to support your child with any problems that arise with your child's attendance at school.

Hot Lunches

Please note that the deadline for ordering or cancelling a hot lunch on the day is 9:45am. Children will still be provided with a hot lunch if ordered after this time; however it is not guaranteed that they will get their first choice. Please note for Key Stage 2 children paying for their lunches, parents must check balances on a regular basis to ensure they stay in credit. If payment can't be made and the account is in arrears, you will be asked to bring in a packed lunch for that day.

Father's Day Photo Shoot

Mini photo sessions with a professional photographer Jonathan @Piers photography will be taking place on the 19th of June at the Hughenden Valley Village hall. This is a fundraising event for the Hughenden Village Hall Playground, so £50 from each booking goes direct to charity. The cost of this is £75 per 30 minute session which includes 5 prints (10x8).

There are several slots throughout the day still available, so to book your slot or for more information please email hvplaygroundfriends@gmail.com

Transition

Please see the separate letter sent home about transition arrangements for this term and contact us if you have any queries.

Wycombe High Open Evening

Wycombe High will be holding an Open Evening for current Year 4 and 5 pupils on Thursday 5th July 2018 from 4:30 to 7:15. More information can be found on the Wycombe High School Website or by calling 01494 523961.

Clubs

For information on the times of our school clubs, please refer to the timetable on our website. Please note that due to GDPR, we are unable to pass any booking forms or payments onto third parties. Please follow instructions on individual booking forms.

SPRING 2018 DATES

W/C 11th June	Book Fair Week
Tuesday 19th June	Year 3 Trip to Living Rainforest
Monday 25th of June	Big Bang Science Conference – Selected Children from Year 6 Year 4 trip to Oxford Botanical Gardens
Wednesday 27th of June	Foundation Class Trip to Oxford Botanical Gardens Deadline for Tempest Photo orders
Thursday 5th July	Sports Day – KS1 AM/ Picnic lunch/ KS2 PM
Monday 9th July	Secondary School Transfer Presentation
Friday 13th July	Hughenden Proms – 6:30 start
Saturday 14th July	Hughenden Village Day
Monday 16th July	Open Afternoon for parents
Tuesday 17th July	Leavers Assembly Dress Rehearsal
Thursday 19th July	Year 4, 5 and 6 Watford Orchestra concert Evening Performance of Year 6 Production Foundation Camp Out
Friday 20th July	Friends Stay and Play
Monday 23rd July	Leavers Assembly – All Year 6 Parents welcome Leavers Treat – This will follow on after assembly – Further information on both will follow
Tuesday 24th July	LAST DAY OF TERM – FINISH AT 1:30PM – Quacker's will be running their after school club from 1:30pm – 6:00pm

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