





# HOYLANDSWAINE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# **Newsletter**

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Autumn 3

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#### **SPECIAL MENTIONS**

Class 1: Darcey and Jack S Class 2: Milli M and Charlie Class 3: Vinnie and Ellie Class 4: Lucas and Olivia Class 5: Jack and Katie Well done to everyone!

## **ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS**

After the first week of our new arrangements, everything seems to be working fairly well. The children have got used to the new procedures and parents are almost there too! Please can I remind parents to move right onto the playground to use up all the space at the beginning and end of the day rather than crowding at the edge as this is the only difficulty we are still having with congestion. We made a few tweaks over the week as we could see the new procedures in operation:

- Class 4 and 5 have been released from the top back door at the end of each day. As the children are older, they do not need to be walked up to the MUGA or playground and this has also reduced congestion.
   Please continue to meet your child in the playground if they are in class 4 and 5 (unless they have your permission to walk and the form has been completed) and they will come to you
- After extra-curricular clubs e.g.: choir, craft etc. we will bring the children to the two infant doors near the quiet area so please continue to meet your children there
- If the weather is very wet at the beginning of the day we will open the school doors at 8.45am so you can bring your children straight into school rather than have them waiting on the playground. If this is the case at the end of the day, we will get them to you as quickly as we can but will still need to bring them up to the MUGA due to the waiting space available outside the classroom doors

The council's current design of our site isn't perfect but we are all working with what we have. We will always prioritise the children's safety when sending them home at the end of the day; especially the infants. We hope parents and grandparents can understand that school staff need to be sure who each child goes home with and will have patience while we identify these adults at the end of each day. Thank you

# MacMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER – PLEASE COME!

This year we are participating in the MacMillan Coffee Morning campaign. On 27<sup>th</sup> September, each class will hold their own coffee morning with refreshments prepared by the children for you to purchase and enjoy. The session will be held from 9am to 10am across school with parents, grandparents and family members welcome to stay to enjoy the time with their children and other parents. We will then be asking for monetary donations towards the event which we will donate to the MacMillan campaign. We hope you can join us!

# **NEWSLETTER EMAILS AND WEBSITE**

Our new website includes the opportunity for all parents to sign up to have the newsletter emailed to them each week. Please visit the newsletter section of the website and fill in the form. Please tell any other parents (who may not read the newsletter online quite so diligently!) to do the same and this will make it easier to ensure all parents are kept informed about school events.

Also on our website, new this week, is a wonderful film made by the 2016/17 school council members in the summer term. The video welcomes people to Hoylandswaine Primary so take a look!

# **HARVEST EVENTS**

As we get further into autumn, I just wanted to flag up our harvest events to all parents. Next Friday (29<sup>th</sup>) the children will be attending a church service with Reverend Browell. We would ask that all children bring something to donate to the foodbank to take up to the service. This could be tins or packets; no fresh food please. We would welcome any parents to the service too. In the following week, our Y3/4 children will put on a Harvest performance on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm. All parents and family members are very welcome to attend!

#### SPORTS COUNCIL SPONSORED EVENT

As part of our plan to increase sport and fitness provision for the children in school you will, this week, have received information about an international athlete coming into school to work with the children as part of a sponsorship campaign. We are grateful for anyone who is able to sponsor the children for the event to bring additional funding into school so we can update our PE equipment and provide new playtime resources for the children. We are looking forward to meeting international badminton player Jenny Wallwork!

#### **INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS**

Apologies for missing the date for individual photos to be taken off our date letter; the date will be 9<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **NEW MUD KITCHEN**

We were lucky enough to get a brand new mud kitchen in class one's outdoor area this week; courtesy of Miss Pearson's mum. The new outdoor learning area is so much better than the old one and the children love it! Thank you so much to Miss Pearson's mum for all her hard work, time and effort for the benefit of our children.



#### **READ, WRITE INC MEETING**

Thank you to all the parents of the new reception children who attended our Read, Write Inc meeting this week. We hope it was useful and will support you in helping your child with their phonics, reading and writing at home.

# **NEW JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS**

We asked for applications for the posts of Junior Road Safety Officers for the 2017/18 year and were inundated! We narrowed this down to the Y6 children as this is their final opportunity before leaving the school and four Y6 children have been given the opportunity after their names were pulled out of the draw. Madeline, Dylan, Grace and Maisie from class 5 will be our JRSOs for the year helping to keep the children safe when they are out and about. They will be starting by working with South Yorkshire Police in October to use a speed trap on Haigh Lane to catch speeding motorists who are passing the school!

# **FUNDRAISING**

We have a number of people signed up to our new school lottery – please consider signing up and tell your family members, friends and neighbours! The first draw is on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September!

The school lottery is a national initiative from an organisation dedicated to helping schools. It was established in 2013 and helps schools raise money across hundreds of schools across the country. Our school will have its own lottery with a draw every Saturday evening. Tickets will cost £1 and the school will receive 40% of the ticket sales each month. There will be a guaranteed weekly winner from our school where one of our supporters will win a cash prize worth 30% of our ticket sales. Additionally, all tickets have a chance at winning a further £25,000 in a separate draw; 6% of the ticket sales go towards this prize. This is a great way to support the school. Proceeds will be spent directly on resources for the children; computers, tablets, new books, classroom equipment etc. The school council will take responsibility for the decisions about the spending so children will be directly involved and have their say about what they feel they need.

Supporters can pay a number of ways. A one off payment for 3/6/12 months of tickets can be made by payment card or a monthly recurring direct debit can be set up. Winners are notified by email each week and they can choose how to receive their savings. In order to sign up, please click on the link on the home page of our website or go to <a href="https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hoylandswaine-primary-school">https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hoylandswaine-primary-school</a> to sign up. Anyone can play so please enlist the support of grandparents and wider family members. Thank you for your support!

#### **KS2 SCHOOL FRUIT**

As parents of junior children will be aware, we offer children in KS2 the opportunity to purchase fruit each day as infant children have fruit provided by a government programme. Mrs Bramley has very kindly been collecting the fruit from High Royd Farm each day to support a local farmer. However, her increasing commitments in school now make this too difficult for her to continue. In order for us to keep using a local farm for our KS2 fruit order, rather than have it delivered with our Owls food orders by a large supermarket, we need a parent to volunteer to take over this job. If anyone feels they can spare the time to do this on a morning, please let me know and we can go from there. Thank you

## **ELECTRIC PIANO!**

Miss Hudson would like to ask if anyone knows of an electric piano which could either be donated to the school or purchased second hand for a small amount. This would make her music teaching much easier as it is difficult to move the piano around school. Please contact me if you are able to help

## **ADMISSION TO PRIMARY SCHOOL**

If you have a child that is due to start in Reception in September 2018 you will need to complete an admissions form by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Details should be provided by your child's nursery or childcare provider, but if you have any queries regarding this process please speak to Mrs Taylor in the school office.

## **ADMISSION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL**

If your child is currently in Year 6 you will need to ensure you complete your admission for secondary school form by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Parents should apply online <a href="www.barnsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.barnsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>. If you have difficulty doing this, or require any further information, please speak to Mrs Taylor in the school office. Please inform Mrs Taylor once you have made your online application, as this has to be recorded for the Local Authority Admissions Section.

# **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Today is the deadline for uniform orders. We shall be sending off the orders to APC Clothing next week and expect delivery before the October half term holiday.

# **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER DATES**

- 27<sup>th</sup> September 9am 10am MacMillan Coffee Morning
- 29<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am Harvest Service in church with Reverend Browell all welcome!
- 5<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm Y3/4 Harvest Performance in school hall
- 6<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am 11.30am Open Morning for prospective parents 2018-19
- 6<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm Y3/4 Harvest Performance in school hall
- 6<sup>th</sup> October pm Y1/2 at Team Activ Ball Multi-Skills event
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 4pm 5.30pm Y5/6 girls at Team Activ Football event with Miss Lockwood
- 16<sup>th</sup> October 4pm 5.30pm Y5/6 boys at Team Activ Football event with Miss Lockwood
- 18<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm 5.00pm Open Book Session all parents welcome; come and look at child's work
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October pm Y5/6 children at Team Activ Dodgeball tournament
- 24<sup>th</sup> October pm Y3/4 children at Team Activ Bench ball tournament
- 26<sup>th</sup> October children break up for half term
- 27<sup>th</sup> October INSET day for staff

# Have a lovely weekend

# FRIENDS OF HOYLANDSWAINE SCHOOL

Hello

FOHS held their first coffee morning last Friday for parents who are unable to attend the evening meetings. We had a great turnout and it was lovely to meet some new parents to the school and also existing parents who came along. Thank you for your support. I hope you enjoyed the lovely cake Sally made  $\bigcirc$ 

There were some great fundraising ideas that were brought forward and have been put onto the amended minutes, we hope that at least one of these we can do this school year.

You all should have had a yearly planner and class list sent home this week. Thank you already to the parents who have pencilled in dates and offering volunteer help. Please take 5 minutes to register on class list as this is the tool we are aiming to switch over to for all events, minutes, information etc. If you would like any further information or would like to see something added then please let FOHS know and we can look into it.

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> 9 - 10am tea and coffee will be available for any parents/visitors attending the Macmillan coffee morning, please come along to help support this charity.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend.

# \*\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\*\*\*

Halloween Disco  $26^{th}$  October – look out for invites coming home with more information

- AGM Meeting/FOHS Wednesday 4th October 8pm Rose and Crown
- FOHS Coffee Morning 16<sup>th</sup> October 9am School Hall

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