



Hill View Primary School



Newsletter 6

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Absence line 227149

2016
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Term3 Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the Christmas holidays and see them get back into the routines of school life.

Uniform reminder

Please can we ask for your support in ensuring that the children attend school wearing the correct uniform. School jumpers are royal blue.

Hair accessories should be simple clips or bands and hair should be its natural colour! For safety, only stud earrings may be worn and these must be removed for sports lessons. Make up and nail varnish are not appropriate and must be removed before school.

Roman Days:

Years 3 and 4 have had the opportunity to learn more about the Romans during the workshops we have had in school this week provided by the Oxfordshire Museum. They have had the chance to try on Roman armour, find out how the Roman roads were built, and had a closer look at some Roman artefacts.

The school has been pleased to fund these valuable sessions. All the children have shown great enjoyment and have gained a greater knowledge and understanding of life in Roman times.



Healthy Snacks.

We will not be selling fruit for the children in years 3,4,5 & 6 from this term. The number of children buying fruit has decreased and we are having to throw fruit away on some days. Please do ensure that if you give your child something to eat at break time that it is a healthy snack.

TOAST Breakfast Club

Please remember that with effect from the beginning of Term 3, January 2016, the price for children attending Breakfast Club has increased to £2.20 per day. We are continuing to introduce a variety of new breakfast foods for the children to try. We welcome feedback from you and your children on these new foods.



In the event of extreme inclement weather, such as when heavy falls of snow develop overnight and continue into the following day or extreme icy conditions occur, please note the following advice about school closure. Whenever possible, school will remain open. Should we need to take the decision to close the school we will always endeavour to give you as much notice as possible.

- You will receive a text message informing you of this decision
- You will be able to look at the school website and OCC website for clarification

Fundraising:



A HUGE Thank You! To everyone who has supported the school in any way at the various fundraising events we have held. This is supporting charities and school and helps to make a big difference. Since September, we have raised a massive £1395 for external charities (Cancer Research UK, Macmillan, British Legion, BBC Children in Need, ITV's Text Santa). For the school we have raised £5025 (Friday Funday, Walk for Wi-Fi, Carols by Candlelight and Christmas Baubles). Watch this Space for details of events planned for the remainder of this year which include a children's disco and a Friday Funday.

Punctuality: and Attendance

It really is important that your child is in school every day and arrives on time. School officially commences at 8.55 am. Children should be in their classroom ready to start their lesson by this time. There is a direct link between attendance and children's attainment and progress.

If your child is really not well enough to attend school please contact school on the dedicated 24 hour absence line: 01295 227149 BEFORE 8.30am on the day of absence.



Parking: Please park your car considerately for others

We have received a number of complaints about inconsiderate parking by parents in the roads around school. Please do not park on verges, in or across residents' drives, on corners (making it impossible for pedestrians to cross safely) etc. The local police have received notifications from the residents and will be looking out for these cars parking dangerously and will step up patrols around school at the beginning and end of the day.

NB *all* term dates and other key dates later in the year can be downloaded from our school website.

Please do regularly check our website (www.hillview-school.co.uk) for updates on all of the experiences enjoyed by your children in school.

Key Dates

Term 3 2016

Friday 12.2.16 - End of Term 3 at 3.05pm

Monday 22.2.16 - INSET day for staff

Term 4

Tuesday 23.2.16 - Start of Term 4

21&22.3.16 Parents Evenings

Thursday 24th March—End of Term 4 at 3.05pm

Term 5

Monday 11.4.16 - Start of Term 5

Monday 2.5.16— May Bank Holiday

Thursday 5.5.16— Local Elections: School Closed to Pupils

9.5.16— Year 6 SATs week

Friday 27.5.16— End of Term 5 at 3.05pm

Term 6

Monday 6.6.16 - Start of Term 6

21.6.16— Year 5/6 Sports Day

22.6.16— Year 3/4 Sports Day

23.6.16— Year FSR 7 Year 1/2 Sports Day

24.6.16— FSN Sports Day

8.7.16— Open Afternoon

14.7.16— Awards Evening

19.7.16— Yr 6 Leaver's' Assembly

Tuesday 19.7.16—End of Term 6 at 3.05pm

Term 1—September 2016

Children return to school on Monday 5th September 2016

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Thomas

Acting Headteacher

This newsletter is also available to download from our school website.