

Howes Primary School Newsletter: 27th April 2018



We have all been very busy in our first two weeks back at Howes. It has been wonderful catching up with all of the children, parents and staff.

We have another exciting term to look forward to so please see the diary dates at the end of this letter.

Last week you should have received your child's class newsletter which outlines what the children will be learning this term. Please see your child's class teacher if you have not yet received this class newsletter, thank you.

Applications for Nursery Places for September 2018

If your child turns three by 31st August 2018 they are eligible to take up a place at Howes in the Nursery class from September 2018.

Application forms are available from the school office and the closing date for applications is Friday 11th May.



Congratulations to the Knights of Equality who were our winning house last term.

Spring Term totals

- The Knights of Courage (Red): 1390 Housepoints
- The Knights of Inspiration (Green): 1198 Housepoints
- The Knights of Respect (Blue): 1214 Housepoints
- The Knights of Equality (Yellow): 1395 Housepoints



Make sure that you all work hard to beat these totals this term!

Year 6 had a fantastic morning working with Coventry University and staff from Malaysia University learning about Malaysia and how to develop games to support learning.



Whitley Academy

Year 5 had a very busy morning at Whitley Academy. They even got chance to have a rugby lesson with an international rugby player.



I am sure that you will join us in congratulating Mrs McCabe who has been working in Year Two this year, as she is expecting a baby. Mrs McCabe will be working in Year Two up to the end of May.

Use of the wooden play equipment

Please can we remind all parents that children should wait on the playground before school. If children use the trim trail on the field after school, they should be fully supervised by parents.
Thank you.

Voting Day

On Thursday 3rd May the Nursery classroom will be used for voting in the local election. The Nursery and Reception children will be using The Keep and the hall during the day. Please could all Nursery and Reception children be brought to and collected from The Keep at the side of school on this day. There will be signs to show you the way. Thank you.

Reminder

Please can we remind you not to share photographs and names of children via your own private social media accounts, thank you.

Bank Holiday

School is closed on Monday 7th May as this is a Bank Holiday.



I am sure that you join us in wishing a Howes welcome to Mrs Dawn Baker who is working with Miss Mundy and Mrs Burke in Year 1 this term.



Following on from the clothing collection last year which raised over £100, Friends of Howes have organised another Bag2School collection. Please support this fundraising event by bringing in any good condition, unwanted clothing, shoes (tied together), hats, handbags or belts.

In addition to raising funds it can also raise awareness amongst the children about the benefits of recycling.

Please feel free to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out too. Children will get a housepoint for each bag donated (more bags are available from the school office).

Our next collection is taking place at 9am on Friday 4th May 2018. You can bring in your bags at anytime from Monday 30th April 2018 and leave them by the Nursery entrance.



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Find out all the latest news from Howes by following us on Twitter. There is news about events and photos of our exciting learning. Please feel free to like our tweets or retweet us.

Lottery Funding

We need to say a huge thank you to Mrs Bolland who has been successful in bidding for money from the Lottery to help to develop the Early Years outdoor learning area.

With the support of the Friends of Howes the area is being developed to provide better opportunities for our children.

All families are welcome to participate in the Family Learning project that is taking place this term using the area to help parents and children to learn through PLAY together. Please speak to the office or Mrs Bolland if you would like to join these sessions.

Attendance and Lateness

Please can we remind all families that the bell rings at 8:55am.
The main and side gates are locked at 9am.

Class	Attendance		Lateness	
	Last Week	This Week	Last week	This week
Nursery	95.2	96.3	0	2
HIU	97.2	95.9	0	0
Reception	98.8	96.7	0	3
Year 1	98.9	99.6	2	7
Year 2	97.9	99.2	2	3
Year 3	99.6	95.7	2	3
Year 4	97.7	96.8	2	4
Year 5	99.5	97.8	0	2
Year 6	95.3	98.6	0	1
	98%	97.6%	8	25

Attendance is a priority at Howes.

Please work with us to ensure that your child attends school every day and on time.

Absence phone line: please telephone the school office on 02476411711 as soon as possible.

The school gates are locked at 9am and 3:30pm.

Data Collection

With the implementation of General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) we will be changing the way that we collect and amend data from our families.

Look out for an email from us with details of how to access and amend your child's data using the SIMS Lite App.

If you do not currently receive emails from us please contact a member of the admin team with an up to date email address.



Year 2 tests completed during May

2nd May: Friends of Howes meeting 3:30pm

3rd May: Reception and Nursery used for voting

7th May: Bank Holiday: School closed

8th May: Staff Surgery for parents 3:30-4pm

14th-17th May: SATs breakfast for Year 6

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16th May: Year 5 trip to Safeside

17th May: School Nurse Puberty talk for Year 5

19th- 25th May: FIND Project meeting in Sicily

25th May: Year 1 Class Assembly 9am

28th May to 1st June: Half Term Holiday- School closed to children



4th June to 8th June: Training week for staff - School closed to children

11th-15th June: Phonics Check week for Year 1 and 2

13th June: Friends of Howes meeting 3:30pm

15th June: Non Uniform Day- bring a bottle

15th June: Friends of Howes Discos

19th June: Robotics competition

27th June: New Reception children and families in school for lunch

29th June: Year 2 Class Assembly 9am



4th July: Year 6 transition day to Secondary Schools and class swap to meet new teachers

4th July: Friends of Howes meeting 3:30pm

6th July: Non uniform day- 50p donation

6th July: Friends of Howes Summer Fair 3:30-5pm

9th July: Year 5 and 6 Dress Rehearsal

11th July: Year 5 and 6 performances 2pm and 6pm

13th July: Reception Class Assembly 9am

13th July: Reports home to parents

16th July: Sports morning and picnic lunch

18th July: Open Evening 3:30-6pm

20th July: Nursery Class Assembly 9am

23rd July: Year 6 Big Event!

24th July: Helpers Thank you tea

25th July: Year 6 Leavers assembly 2pm

Wednesday 25th July Last day of term