



Hunters Hall Primary School

Snippets

Issue: 1
September 2017

Dates for the Diary

Autumn Term

Friday 8th September 2017 - Reading workshop 9:00am / 12:30pm

Wednesday 13th September 2017 - Trewern meeting for Year 6 parents/carers 6:00pm

Wednesday 13th September 2017 - Year 2 SATs meeting 6:00pm

Tuesday 19th - Wednesday 20th September 2017 - Bikeability (Year 6)

Thursday 21st September 2017 - World Peace Day 9:30am (weather permitting)

Sunday 24th - Friday 29th September 2017 - Year 6 Trewern Residential Experience

Thursday 28th September 2017 - Reception Phonics meeting

TBC Thursday 5th October 2017 - Pink Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 12th - Wednesday 13th October - Steel Pans Workshops - Black History Month

Wednesday 18th - Thursday 19th September - Parent/Carers' Evening

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October - Half Term

Monday 30th October 2017 - INSET (school closed to pupils)

Wednesday 1st November 2017 – School photographs

Thursday 16th November 2017 - Physical Development Workshop for Nursery parents/carers

Friday 17th November 2017 - Children in Need Day

Thursday 30th November 2017 - Reception Maths Workshop for parents/carers

W/C 11th December 2017 - Nursery, Year 1 & 4 Productions

Monday 18th December 2017 - Senior Citizens' Christmas Concert

Thursday 21st December - Monday 1st January 2018 - Christmas Holiday

Tuesday 2nd January 2018 - INSET (school closed to pupils)

Welcome back to the new term. In response to the parent/carer survey, we have decided to issue Snippets on a weekly basis as a way of increasing the level of communication which you receive.

The children have settled into school well and along with our staff are working incredibly hard. This academic year, we are striving onwards with developing behaviour for learning further across the school. Look out for "Behaviour for Learning" bookmarks which were designed by Iveta Ivanova, who was in class 4F at the time.

Thank you for supporting our uniform policy. Almost every child is wearing the correct uniform including footwear. Please remember that we only allow plain black or white shoes or trainers – if your child is wearing shoes with any other colour we will be asking you to replace them.

There have been additional works carried out during the summer break which will enhance our levels of safeguarding further. Within the Key Stage Two ball playground, you will see additional security fencing.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our Reception pupils and their parents/carers, as well as a new teacher - Mrs Provic - to our school. Mrs Provic will be teaching 5P who were due to be taught by Mr Andersen. Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances, Mr Andersen has remained in Canada.

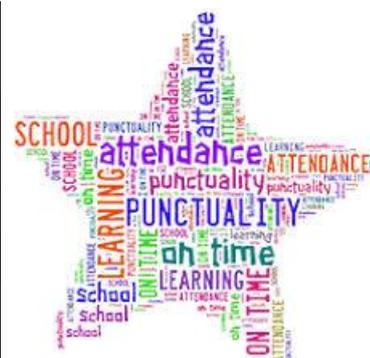
We hope that you and your child(ren) continue to thrive whilst at Hunters Halls. If you would like to be added to our school mailing list, so that you can receive an electronic version of future Snippets. Please email office@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

Michael Kaitell
Headteacher (Acting)

Attendance

As an additional measure to improve our attendance year on year, we will be publishing the weekly attendance figures for each year group. Please ensure that your child(ren) attend school every day as it is beneficial to their overall development as well as being a legal requirement.

Year group	Attendance %
Reception	N/A
1	91.24
2	96.47
3	96.66
4	92.19
5	95.37
6	95.11



Sports Mark - Bronze

The School Games Mark is a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. As a school, we have evaluated our PE provision and developed an action plan for future progress. We are extremely happy that we have been awarded the Bronze. We will continue our mission towards attaining the Platinum Award eventually.



Update safeguarding end of day collection sheet



All parents/carers received a letter asking them to ensure that the people who are authorised to collect their child(ren) are stated on the orange permission slip. If there are any changes as the year goes on, we ask that you inform the school office/class teachers as a matter of urgency.

Parking outside school



Four new “pupils” have joined us this year. Two will be outside of school at the Alibon Road entrance and two will be placed by the entrance on Rockwell Road. As an additional measure to ensure the safety of our real pupils, we have purchased parking deterrents which aim to encourage drivers to park sensibly outside the school grounds.



Good Citizen Award

We have launched a new initiative at lunchtimes for Years 3 to 6. Children will have the opportunity to be awarded “Good Citizen” awards. I am pleased to announce that our very first pupil receiving this award is Faith Adebayo. This is an excellent achievement and Faith definitely represents good citizenship. We cannot wait to award more of these certificates. Every pupil who achieves this award will be acknowledged in the Achievement Assembly on Fridays.



Year 4 - Swimming



4S and 4B begin swimming on Friday 15th September. Swimming hats are available in the school office for £2.

School Dinners ~ ParentPay



As we have started a new academic year, can we ask that all parents ensure their ParentPay accounts have sufficient credit on them?

School dinners cost £2.10 per day.

Reminder: If your child has moved from Year 2 to Year 3 please be aware that the Universal Free School Meals no longer applies.

