



### Dates for the Diary

#### Spring Term 2018

**Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February**  
inclusive – Half Term holiday

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February**– Children return to school

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February**– Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00am

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019** – Parents' Evening for Reception, Years 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

### Understanding Teens

We will be running an Understanding Teens course over 5 sessions from 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 9:00-10:30am. If you have a child aged 10 years and above and are interested in attending, please see Mr Bellevue. There will be a short presentation on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 9:00am in the dining hall.



Dear Parent/Carer,

It is almost a year since we had our last Ofsted during which they recognised our, “commitment to ensuring a breadth of curriculum coverage. There is a commitment to ensuring that pupils benefit from a range of experiences.”

That commitment was so evident walking the corridors this week and finding Anglo Saxon villages, volcanoes, Roman shields, Viking ships and shields, rainforest models and posters, and even a year group of superheroes flying round the playground. Such engaging activities ignite our children’s curiosity and learning and create a real “buzz” of interest throughout the school.

I wish you all a happy half-term holiday and look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 8:40, ready for the start of lessons at 8:50 am.

I would also like to wish Mrs Drage a happy retirement and thank her for her many years of dedication to Hunters Hall.

Selina Frazer  
Headteacher

### WANTED...Cardboard tubes



We would like every child in our school to bring a cardboard tube e.g. the inside of a kitchen roll into school after half term.



### Book Week is coming!

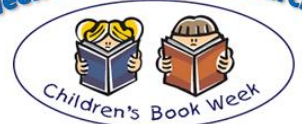
**Advance warning:** Book Week is coming! Get ready for Book Week which begins on March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be running lots of activities to celebrate the power of reading, including our annual fancy dress day on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**. We'd love to see you dressed as your favourite book character and would appreciate donations although this is not compulsory. We will also be running a competition called Toilet Roll Characters. We will be giving more details at a later date but we would be really grateful if you could start collecting and sending in your cardboard tubes from toilet rolls. These can be sent to Mrs Montanaro. If you want a sneak peek at what this competition is all about, try using Google to search 'toilet roll characters'...

#### Book donations wanted!

We are **always** grateful for donations of any children's books you no longer need. We are particularly interested at the moment as we are hoping to run another Book Swap Shop, following on from the success of previous ones.

Please send any donations to Mrs Montanaro.

*'Book Week is coming, week beginning 4th March!'*



### Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.



Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose “Add a School” and enter:

**@HuntersHalIPS**

### Attendance

Congratulations to **2G** in Key Stage 1 who achieved **98.89%** this week and **5M** in Key Stage 2 with **99.11%**

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RC	98.72	2G	98.89	4R	96.96
RL	98.30	2T	94.68	5M	99.11
RM	95.10	3B	97.86	5S	98.72
1E	97.79	3K	95.26	5T	97.01
1H	96.95	3R	97.02	6A	90.43
1HV	97.41	4AC	98.41	6M	98.47
2A	95.57	4P	97.53	6N	96.56



## The Reading Cafe

Join us at Hunters Hall's very first Reading Cafe! This is an opportunity for parents/carers to share a book with their child over a light breakfast. There is no fee but all donations are gratefully received. We will also be selling some of our old library stock.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March: **Lads and Dads** (7:50-8:30) Dads/male carers - come and read with your son at our Reading Cafe in the Dining Hall! Enjoy a light breakfast while you both share a book - a fantastic opportunity to spend some quality time together.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March: All parents/carers of Year 1 and 2 children welcome, 7:50-8:30 in the dining hall.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: All parents/carers of KS2 children welcome, 7:50-8:30 in the dining hall.

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## Happy Retirement



Mrs Drage, who has worked at our school for over 27 years, leaves us this term as she celebrates her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Through the years, Mrs Drage has held a number of roles and we are sure that many of you will have had some contact with her. We wish her many more years of happiness as she relocates to the Isle of Wight.

Staff held a special celebration for her this week to remind her how exceptional she is to all of us.



## Miss Brewer's MENCAP Marathon Mile



With the London Marathon only two months away, Miss Brewer is ensuring that she is raising as much money for MENCAP as possible by holding a variety of fundraising events ahead of

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Today the whole school community joined her to complete laps around our school building.

<https://www.mencap.org.uk/>

<https://www.virginmoneylondonmarathon.com/en-gb/>

## Super Hero Day



To celebrate all our hard work during our Superheroes topic Year 1 had a Superhero day. We made capes and masks in school and patrolled the outside of the school checking for any problems to solve. Later on, to boost our energy, we ate a specially made cereal bar. It was a tiring but rewarding day.

## Coffee Morning

**Coffee Morning**

Come join me for a coffee/tea on  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February

9:00-10:00am in our Dining Hall

**There will be a talk on Fairtrade by Mr Singh.**

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

**Patrick Bellevue**  
Family Support Worker

## Heathway Centre Half Term Fun

### The Heathway Centre Half Term Programme 18<sup>th</sup> February- 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019



All sessions will be held at The Heathway Centre 512a Heathway, Dagenham RM10 7SJ  
You must book on to all Heathway centre activities. Bookings will only be taken from:  
11am on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019. You can call on 0208 227 5500 or drop in to the centre

Siblings are welcome to all our activities

#### Holiday Fun Club Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019 2pm - 4pm

Fun filled, structured activities for children and young people only. Parents are required to be on site, however, are not involved in the activities. Activities include snack time.

Please inform the Heathway Centre of any dietary requirements or food allergies  
£1 per child, 50p sibling

#### Martial Arts Fitness Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Interested in martial arts? Want to try out something physical? This session will go through some basic principles of Kung Fu, teach you about patience, coordination, discipline and having fun whilst trying it out! This is a physical activity, so wearing loose sports clothing is recommended.

Delivered by a professional accredited instructor  
Ages 5 and over £1 per child, 50p sibling

#### Family Cooking Club Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019 10.30am - 12pm & 1pm - 2.30pm

Cooking offers many sensory experiences from the touch and feel of ingredients to the smell and taste of the finished dish. Cooking can also support maths and science skills and help develop communication skills in a fun environment. We will be making Chocolate Frosted Fruit Cupcakes.

Ages 3 and over £1 per child, 50p sibling

#### Games Galore Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 2pm - 4pm

Come and enjoy an afternoon of games and fun activities aimed at getting everyone to play together. We will be playing games such as twister, board games, interactive quiz games and some old school sports games. Parents are required to be on site, however, are not involved in the activities.

Refreshments will be provided.  
£1 per child, 50p siblings

#### Movie & Popcorn Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 2pm - 3.30pm

Come and enjoy a cinema style experience at The Heathway Centre. We will be watching 'Lost and Found' (2018), a charming animated tale about a young boy who finds a lost penguin on his doorstep and decides to row him home to the South Pole - and a series of other short animated films.

We will also be serving homemade popcorn as a treat. Children will be required to be supervised by parent/carers.  
£1 per child, 50p sibling

#### Family Fun Saturdays 10am - 12pm

A group that encourages children with their siblings, mum, dads and carers to develop socialisation skills through structured and creative play. Activities include snack and circle time, encouraging children to try healthy fruits. This group can support learning and help parents, carers and children to make new friends.

FREE Ages 3-17

\*\*You can opt to pay using your SB4ME grant. Please inform at time of booking\*\*