



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2012

It has been lovely to see the pupils settle so well into their new classes. Well done everyone. A special mention to the many new pupils who have started with us not only in our Nursery and Reception classes but across the school. Welcome to New Hall.

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Please check out our website our fantastic Ofsted news.



Dates for the Diary

Wed 10 Oct - Team Boyce Parent lunch
Wed 10 Oct - Harvest Festival
Thurs 11 Oct - Reception Inspire Workshop
Thurs 11 Oct - Parent's Forum
Wed 17 Oct - Team Wood Parent lunch
Thurs 18 Oct - Parent's Evening
Mon 22 Oct - HALF TERM
Mon 29 Oct - Back to School
Tues 30 Oct - Individual pupil photos
Weds 31 Oct - Team Davis Parent lunch

School Rules:

Our school rules were devised by School Council and state:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Last year's School Priorities (2011-12)

We are delighted that we were so successful with our school improvement targets last year. Well done to everyone for working so hard. We are especially pleased that we achieved an overall 95% attendance across the year - many thanks to everyone for making this happen.

School Priorities 2012-13

Our school improvement targets for this year are:

- To involve parents/carers more in every child's learning. Please look out for even more opportunities this year to come into school to work alongside your child and find out how they learn.
- Every child to reach the levels expected of them. We know from our priorities from last year that pupils make excellent progress when they are at New Hall. We are now working on ensuring that achievements are recognized.
- To look at the social, moral, spiritual and cultural (SMSC) side of school life. In line with this government led initiative we will be looking to extend the already good work that we do in this area. Working with the whole school community we have established the New Hall core VALUES: HONESTY, FRIENDSHIP, WONDER AND

ACCEPTANCE. Please ask your child how they have been learning about this.

Parent's Forum

Parent's forum date Thursday 11 October 2012 at 9 am (please come to the office after dropping your child off). The parent's forum is a group of parents who meet up informally with Mrs Hanks to discuss all matters relating to school life. If you have anything that you feel needs to 'have a voice' please come along and have your say. New parents most welcome.

Before, During and After school clubs

This year we have extended our provision of these clubs so that hopefully all pupils will find something that they would like to attend.

	Before	During (lunchtime)	After
Monday			Reading Club until 3.50pm
Tuesday	Swim club 8am	Singing Club	Art Club (tbc)
Wednesday		Football team	KS2 Dodgeball
Thursday		KS1 MULTISPORTS	KS2 Football
Friday		KS1/2 Street Dance	KS1/2 Speed Stacking

Please also remember that we offer both Breakfast Club and After school care should you require it. Please speak to the office for further details.

Reminder

Please may we remind you that the toilet in the school office is for use by visitors to the Children's Centre. We seem to have an ever increasing amount of pupils and parents who wish to use this after school. If you are aware that your child has toileting issues please ensure that they have been prior to leaving school.



Harvest Festival

Last term we were sad to say goodbye to Reverend Gee, who has been a longstanding friend to the school. We wish him well in his retirement. Deacon Linda has replaced him, and she has already been into school and met some of the pupils.

Our Harvest this year will be on Wednesday 10th Oct at 9.15am for Key Stages 1 and 2. We are delighted to say that Deacon Linda will be able to join us on this occasion. Please bring in your harvest gifts anytime from Monday 8th October until Wednesday morning.

Parent Lunches

As always we will be inviting parents in to have lunch with their children throughout this Autumn Term. You may have noticed our new information boards for Key Stage 1/2 and EYFS. Please have a look to see the dates for your child's turn for parent lunches.



How good is your child's attendance?

GOLD 97%

Is your attendance above 97%? (Having less than 6 days absence in the year)

You are an excellent attender you will almost certainly achieve the best grades for your ability and have real opportunity in further education or the world of work.

SILVER 95%

Is your attendance 95% plus (Having less than two weeks absence during the year)

You are likely to achieve your grades that will give you real opportunities to continue your studies or in the world of work.

BRONZE 90%

Is your attendance 90% plus

You will be missing up to 20 days each school year and this will make it difficult for you to achieve your best.



Starburst Awards

Thursday 27 September 2012

Team Boyce - Chloe
Team Wood - Demi Leigh
Team Davis - Tejiri
Team Palmer - Laila
Team M/J - Mollie
Team Trevelyan - Louie
Team Spiers - Amy
Team Roberts - Jessica

Starburst Awards

Thursday 4 October 2012

Team Boyce - Ciara May
Team Wood - Lewis
Team Davis - Justin
Team Palmer - Kahmya
Team M/J - Tyler
Team Trevelyan - Hannah
Team Spiers - Kayleigh
Team Roberts - Joe

Mrs B Hanks
Head Teacher