



# NEWSLETTER MAY 2013

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It is hard to believe that we are now in the Summer term - how time flies! Let's hope the weather soon brightens up so that we can enjoy the fantastic grounds that we have here at New Hall

Mrs Hanks

Head Teacher

### Summer refurbishment of the pupil entrance.

During the summer holidays we will be having the pupil entrance to the school refurbished to make it a brighter more attractive way to come into school. We will also be trialling pupils coming onto the playground WITHOUT parents in the mornings. This is to try and make the whole entry into school quicker, so that pupils can get on with their learning. Please be assured that there will be plenty of staff on duty and, in fact once the children are in the gate there will be no way for them to get out. Parents will still be allowed onto the playgrounds at the end of the day, and as always, these are the moments when you may want to catch up with teachers with any relevant information. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter. Further details to follow.

### Reception Butterflies



Thursday was an exciting day for our Reception class, when they were able to release the butterflies that they have watched grown and cared for over a number of weeks. The children were in awe as the butterflies flew away. EYFS parents will also see how much work has gone into making the outside area so attractive and stimulating for the parents, with new seating and planting areas. Please help us to keep this area a wonderful place for our children to learn by ensuring that children are supervised at all times when they are handed over to you at the end of the day.

### Dates for the Diary



Year 6 SATs Week Mon 13 May—Fri 17 May  
**PLEASE ENSURE ALL YR 6 CHILDREN ATTEND SCHOOL THIS WEEK.**  
HALF TERM - Mon 27 May—Fri 31 May  
SUMMER HOLS—Fri 19 July

### School Rules:

Our school rules were devised by School Council and state:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

## Sainsburys Vouchers 2013

We are collecting the Sainsbury's vouchers for the "Active Kids" again this year. Please start collecting them and ask family and friends to collect them for us too.

The more vouchers we collect the more equipment we can get for our children at New Hall.

## Trainers



More and more of the pupils are coming to school in inappropriate trainers. Please note these are NOT part of New Hall's school uniform and there is an expectation that all pupils come to school in suitable and appropriate footwear. If you are having difficulties meeting this school regulation then please let us know.

## School Uniform

We have now disposed of all unclaimed school uniform. We know that sometimes pupils may misplace items of clothing as they move around the school. PLEASE, PLEASE ensure that your child's clothing is ALL labelled, so that it can be returned to you should this be the case.

## Lost Property

Sainsbury's research discovered that 71% of school children had lost a school jumper and 47% had missing PE kit items. This amounts to an average seven items per family lost every year because their uniform was not named.

## Water Bottles

As we have at last begun to see some sunshine please ensure that you send your child to school with named water bottles. As you can imagine if they bring a drink of water to school it is much easier for them to have a sip during their lesson times, so that they won't get thirsty.

## KS1 Events

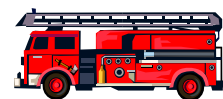
### Team Davis Assembly

Thank you to all the parents who came to support their children in Team Davis' class assembly.

The pupils were outstanding and were able to tell the whole school about the Great Fire of London.

## KS2 Events

### Fire Service visit to Y5



On Wednesday last week the Fire Service once again visited year 5 for their annual Fire Safety Talk. The children found it very interesting and informative.

## STARBURST AWARDS



Thursday 25 April 2013

Nursery—Maddison

Team Barham - Amelia

Team Preston - Logan

Team Boyce - Alfie

Team Wood - Charntae

Team Davis - Ben

Team Palmer - Niranzan

Team M/J - Callum

Team Trevelyan - Filip

Team Spiers - Yonis

Team Roberts - Mackenzie