



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2013

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It hardly seems possible that we are already at the end of Autumn 1 half term, however the darker mornings and rainy weather are a real indication that we are. It has been lovely to see all of the children settle in so well to their new classes and really focus on enjoying and achieving in their learning. As always it has been a very busy start to the new school year. Last week in school was assessment week - staff will be analysing the results to ensure that children are making progress. It was great to see so many of you at parents evening. The decision was taken to hold this event earlier in the term than usual so that, as parents, you are more aware of expectations for your children, and can support us in achieving those expectations.

Black History Month



As a school we have been celebrating Black History Month. Thank you to all the parents who came to see the African dancing and mud clay modelling. I know that the children had a tremendous time, and learnt such a lot. Look out for a further event on the 29th November with Bemba as I know that the Key Stage 2 children felt that they had missed out on the dancing! Thank you to Mrs Preston for organising this.

Dates for the Diary



HALF TERM - Mon 28 Oct - Fri 1 Nov

***** Look out for our "Alternative Menu" days coming up this term*****

Bonfire lunch - Tues 5 Nov

Parent lunches (further details to follow:)

Team Davis	-	Weds 13 Nov
Team Qayyum	-	Weds 20 Nov
Team Trevelyan	-	Weds 27 Nov
Team Malanaphy	-	Weds 4 Dec
Team Palmer	-	Weds 15 Jan
Team Spiers	-	Weds 22 Jan
Team Roberts	-	Weds 29 Jan

Pupil Christmas lunch - Weds 11 Dec

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY— Mon 23 Dec
Pupils back to school Mon 6 Jan

STARBURST AWARDS

Thursday 3 October 2013

Team Boyce - Mollie
Team Wood - Amelia
Team Davis - Mustafa
Team Qayyum— Michelle
Team Malanaphy - Chloe H
Team Trevelyan - Chloe A
Team Spiers - Mea
Team Palmer - Muskaan
Team Roberts - Joe



STARBURST AWARDS

Thursday 24 October 2013

Team Boyce - Jack
Team Wood - Leon
Team Davis - Jayvon
Team Qayyum— Zak
Team Malanaphy - Bobby
Team Trevelyan - Mehdi
Team Spiers - Jacey
Team Palmer - Cyrus
Team Roberts - Harvey

STARBURST AWARDS

Thursday 10 October 2013

Team Boyce - Isobelle
Team Wood - Dylan
Team Davis - Billie Jo
Team Qayyum— Tuneye
Team Malanaphy - Emily
Team Trevelyan - Alex
Team Spiers - Liam
Team Palmer - Mollie
Team Roberts - Yonis

STARBURST AWARDS

Thursday 17 October 2013

Team Boyce - Kaiah
Team Wood - Sophie
Team Davis - Ciara-May
Team Qayyum— Poppy
Team Malanaphy - Tom
Team Trevelyan - Elizabeth
Team Spiers - Charlie
Team Palmer - Filip
Team Roberts - Miah

School goals for this year

For the next school year 2013-13, our school goals are:

- To ensure that all year groups meet National Expectations
- To make learning 'personal' to meet the needs of all individuals
- To prepare New Hall for the new curriculum, starting September 2014.

If you would like any further details please pop in and ask.

NEXT TERM

Next half term will see us getting ready for Christmas and celebrating Diwali, Hannukah and Remembrance Day. Poppies are already on sale in school, and we are asking for a minimum donation of 50p. As a school we will also be raising awareness of Anti-bullying week in November. We have purchased some wristbands which will be given to the children to remind them that, as a school we take bullying seriously. Please talk to your child about what they have learnt during this important event.

Breakfast Reading Café



Our Breakfast Reading Café continues to be a popular event, and there will be another opportunity to read with your children in school next term. It was also lovely to see grandparents come and read with their grandchildren. Again another opportunity for this will happen next term. Thank you to Miss Davis for organising this.

FAMILY BIKE RIDE



Date and Time: Saturday 26 October
(10:00am - 2:00pm)

Starting Point: Wyndley Leisure Centre, Clifton Road,
B73 6EB

Ride Grade: Leisurely, Family Friendly

Description: A varied ride through the stunning scenery of Sutton Park

FAMILY FIX IT

These FREE workshops during October Half Term are designed for both parents and children (minimum age 7 years). Choose from one of the following sessions:-

Date: Tuesday 29th October

Time: 10.00am to 12noon

Venue: Kingsbury School & Sports College, Kingsbury Road,
Erdington B24 8RE

OR

Date: Wednesday 30th October

Time: 10.00am to 12noon

Venue: Sutton Coldfield Fire Station, Entrance on
Anchorage Road B74 2PJ

These workshops are free to those residents living in the Bike North Birmingham project area. Workshops cover; puncture repairs, replacing inner tubes and checking brakes.

To book a space on either please call 0121

464 1020

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Governors

The Governors at New Hall Primary have a strong focus on:

- Making sure the School is very clear about where it is going and how it will achieve its goals;
- Requiring the Head Teacher to explain how successful the School and its pupils are;
- Keeping a watch on the School's finances and how they are spent.

There is more information about what the Governors do on the School's website

<http://www.newhall.bham.sch.uk>

If you have any questions that Mrs Hanks can't answer please feel free to make use of the Governors' Letter Box soon to be placed in the School foyer. Another forthcoming development is an email address for contacting Governors at governors@newhall.bham.sch.uk There are pictures of the Governing Body on the noticeboard in the foyer but you can also meet and chat with the Governors themselves at School events like Harvest, Breakfast Reading Club and Parents' Evening.

School Rules:

Our school rules were devised by School Council and state:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND
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