



NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2016

Welcome back to the spring term!

The holidays already seem a long time ago, but it is delightful to see the children so quickly re-engage with their learning. Well done everybody.

This term once again is full of exciting learning opportunities for all. Please keep up to date with our various activities and invitations into school by checking our website or Twitter page. We hope soon to have a 'live stream' of our Twitter page on the school website, so keep a look out for this.

Ofsted Parent View

We would love to hear your views about us and would encourage parents to visit <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. If you click on the orange button and follow the simple instructions, the questions should take just a few moments to complete.

As always, can I encourage you to let us know if you feel that there is anything that we are not doing right. The only way small issues that crop up can be resolved is if we are made aware of them.

As parents' evening is coming up, you can also use this opportunity to discuss any matters

that you feel we need to be made aware of. If it concerns your child's education and well being then that is what we are here to do, and I am extremely confident that we do this very well at New Hall.

Teacher's Training Date Change

School will now be closed on Friday 13 May 2016 and school will re-open as normal on Monday 16 May. There will no longer be a training day on Monday 6 June 2016 as originally printed.



Twitter

You can now find us on Twitter, simply search for @NewHallpri and get following us. We would love to have all our parents who are able to add us. You can see for yourself what your child is doing throughout their learning day.



@NewHallpri

FOREST SCHOOL

Forest School is an exciting experience that all Year One children get to participate in. The children interact with their environment exploring the nature and wildlife on site, they use tools to make things, learn new skills and there is a strong emphasis on raising self-esteem and independence.

The children have great fun and enjoy showing their parents around when they come to visit our sessions.

Parents - if you have any spare children's wellies in sizes 10-13 we would love to have them off you for our Forest school.



We tweet something from our sessions every week.

Note to Parents

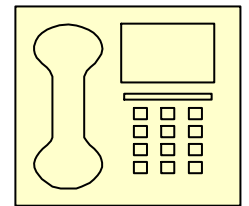
- Inappropriate Language

We ask that all parents and visitors on the school site use appropriate language at all times, as children are often in earshot of grown up discussions especially during waiting times at the end of the day.

-Reporting

Absences

If your child is ill and will not be attending school please call the school office on 0121 464 5170 no later than 9:30am. Thank you.



- Label Uniform

Please can you make sure that all uniform and coats are clearly labelled with your child's name on.

Without any names we are unable to return items when lost.

- School Meals

With effect from Tuesday 6 January 2016 the price of school meals for

Year 3 to Year 6 will be:-

£2.10 per day per child (£10.50 per week, per child)



STARBURST—14/01/16

Team Degville- Heya
Team Carpenter- Keion
Team Gilbert- Kassey
Team Talliss - Myriam
Team Davis - Dominic
Team Toomer - Christopher
Team Qayyum - Ben
Team Whateley - Nadine
Team Palmer - Hajira
Team Roberts - Morgan
Team Hall - Emily



Please make sure your child attends school every day

At Birmingham Magistrates Court on 16 December 2015 Re: Prosecution of parents/ carers, Education Act 1996 Section 444 a case was heard.

After hearing the circumstances of the case the Magistrates imposed a fine of £40, a victim surcharge of £20 and criminal court charge of £150; a total of £210 per parent. The Court took into consideration the early guilty plea and the financial circumstances; this is reflected in the fine.

GOVERNORS AWARDS

Nursery - Azaan
Team Degville - Maksymillian
Team Carpenter - Daniel
Team Gilbert- Maryan
Team Talliss - Mayla
Team Davis - Bobby
Team Toomer - Maddison
Team Qayyum - Sophie
Team Whateley - Jessica
Team Palmer - Callum
Team Roberts - Kieran
Team Hall - Roisin



DIARY DATES



School closed Half term - Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2016
School re-open Monday 22 February

School closed: Friday 25 March - Friday 8 April 2016
School re-open Monday 11 April 2016

School closed for Teachers Training day - Friday 13 May
School re-open Monday 16 May 2016

School closed Half term - Monday 30 May - Friday 3 June 2016

School re-open Monday 6 June 2016.

School closed from Monday 25 July to tbc



WOULD YOU LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A Big Birmingham Bike?

We are pleased to announce that we have **some bikes** remaining from our **Free Bike Draws** and therefore the application process has now re-opened for a limited period only! (subject to [terms and conditions](#)). The remaining bikes will be available for **anyone living in Birmingham regardless of postcode area** and applicants must be over 16 years of age. All other terms and conditions will remain the same. A maximum of 2 bicycles will be allocated per household, this includes any bikes won in previous draws.

There are only a certain amount of bikes available so in order to be in with a chance of winning one, please complete your application as soon as possible. **The closing date will be Friday 22nd January 2016.**

***Please note unfortunately we have no stock remaining of either small ladies or small men's bikes. This means that if you are under 5'3" for women and 5'4" for men we will not be able to provide you with a bike.**

To apply for a bike simply visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/bbb or for any queries please call 0121 464 1020.

GOOD LUCK!