



NEWSLETTER MAY 2018

Well half term is nearly upon us already. What a busy half term it has been, at least with some sunny days which has enabled the children to enjoy the fantastic grounds that we have here at New Hall.

Years 2 and 6 have completed their SATs over the last couple of weeks. All of the children (and staff) have worked so hard to make the experience a positive one. Well done to all of the children, you have been excellent role models, and I know that you tried your very best.

As we move to the last half term of the school year we have a varied and tremendously busy few weeks. There will be lots of events that parents are invited to, and I do hope to see you at some of these.

Open afternoon will give you a chance to meet your child's new teacher and see their new classroom, as well as read their reports to see how well they have done. I look forward to seeing you.

Until then, have a great half term. Let's hope the sun continues to shine!

Mrs Hanks

Year 3 Trip to Cosford

On Friday 20th April, Year 3 went to the RAF museum in Cosford. As our theme was based on 'Transport', we participated in a variety of activities that included viewing different types of transport, gathering information about transport and a transport simulator. We used our geography and map knowledge to identify where we could travel to and learnt about the importance of the processes we take when travelling abroad. The aeroplanes that we saw were incredible and the children were speechless. Some of the children were really interested in the knowledge they could gain, especially when it linked to the size and speed of the aircrafts. We all had an amazing time and our trip helped some children understand more about the theme, after seeing transport up close. We would like to thank Miss Ward for accompanying us on our trip and hope you had a day to remember.

A child said, "I think the trip was great, it was really fun because I learnt a lot of facts and a lot more about aeroplanes!"

Another child said, "I thought it was really good because we got to see big aeroplanes and we saw how big they are close up."

The Summer Home Reading Challenge

Calling all bookworms! Competition time! Find the list of your child's books in the back of their home reading record. After reading the books, sign them off and once you have three in a row, send them in for your reward. All completed entries will go into the prize draw! Happy reading!

Nursery trip to Ash End Farm

On Wednesday 18th April Nursery went on a trip to Ash End Farm. We were blessed with both fabulous weather and the support of our wonderful parents and grandparents. During our visit we held new-born chicks and took the opportunity to find an egg from inside the nesting box to take home with us. Next, we visited the pigs and horses before going to the barn to feed the lambs with a bottle of milk. The goats were fed and we enjoyed stroking a kid too. After a quick look at the guinea-pigs and rabbits we finished off our guided tour by feeding the ducks.

What a busy morning ...

After a picnic lunch in the Scarecrow barn we rounded off our visit by playing outside and exploring the swings, slide and the tractor in glorious sunshine.

Finally, Mr Lee and Mr Dave made sure we all got back to Nursery safely on the minibuses.

The trip was an inspirational experience for our children. They demonstrated genuine enthusiasm to talk about the trip afterwards and consequently produced some super work relating to their experiences.

Many thanks to everyone who helped make the trip a success.



Sutton Coldfield Tennis Club

Sutton Coldfield Tennis Club are running a number of Tennis for Kids coaching lessons at their club over the summer. The cost for a 6 week coaching block is £25 and children will also receive:

- a racket & ball set
- Personalised t-shirt

Group sizes will be limited to 10 per group and split into ages 4-7 years and 8-11 years.

For more information and to book onto a course please see the link below:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/TennisForKids/SearchResults?location=b73%205qb&distance=20>

School Dinner Menu

If your child would like to have school dinners please contact school office. You can find our school menus on our website.

There are 3 menus which rotate on a weekly basis.

W/C 14 May - Week 2 menu

W/C 21 May - Week 3 menu

W/C 4 June - Week 1 menu

W/C 11 June - Week 2 menu



Birth Certificates

For those who have not brought your child's birth certificate in before, please can you come to the school office with your child's birth certificate so we can take a copy for our records.

Thank you

Are our medical records and emergency contact details up to date for your child?

If not please let us know in school office.

Lost Jumpers

Please, please remember to put your child's name on the inside of their Uniform, especially jumpers and cardigans. We cannot return any items of uniform to your child if they do not have a name on them.

Sutton Coldfield in Bloom

Sutton Coldfield Town Council are launching an exciting new Garden Competition for the Town to support our Sutton Coldfield in Bloom entry. They are looking for green fingered residents who can help to brighten up the town with hanging baskets, beautiful gardens or displays. You can enter via <https://www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/bloom/> You could be in with the chance of winning £100 of gardening vouchers.

Swimming Lessons

There are places available for mother & baby and mother & toddler to have swimming lessons on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning at New Hall swimming pool. If you would like to know more information please call Helen on 07792 181483

Curriculum

Parents, if you would like to know more about the curriculum planned for your children, this can be found on our website under 'Our School'. If you have any queries please speak to the class teacher.

Star Burst LKS2

Team Rainbird - Natalie
Team Walker - Lillie
Team Roberts - Abeera

Well done!!!

Dates for your Diary 2018

Please note dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances

May

Half term - Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June

June

4th June - School open
4th - 6th - Year 6 Residential trip to Kingswood
5th - Year 2 trip to Holdenby House
18th - Class photos
19th - Year 1 trip to Cosford
- Year 5 trip to a Mosque
20th - Year 5 trip to a Mosque

July

2nd - Team Thomas trip to Hindu temple
3rd - Year 5 trip to Cadbury World
6th - Team Palmer trip to Hindu temple
12th - Sports day
23 July - Teacher Training day
24 July - Teacher Training day
School closed - Wednesday 25 July to Monday 3 September

School open to children - Tuesday 4 September

School Values:

- ♦ Wonder
- ♦ Acceptance
- ♦ Friendship
- ♦ Honesty

School rules:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT