





# **NEWSLETTER JUNE 2018**

We really can't complain about the beautiful weather that we have been having lately, as it has given us a chance to make best use of our fabulous facilities here at New Hall.

As we near the end of the term I really hope to see you at some of the events planned.

#### Staff Changes

We will sadly be saying goodbye to Mrs Chadha at the end of the term. She has done a tremendous job with the children in our nursery class, and we wish her well for the future.

Many parents will remember Mrs Ronan, who has worked as a Teaching Assistant at New Hall for over twenty years. She has been responsible for caring for many of your children. Unfortunately, Mrs Ronan was taken ill last year, and although she is recovering well, she has made the difficult decision to not return to New Hall, as she continues her recovery. We wish her well, and know that her contributions to life at New Hall will remain here for a long time. Thank you, Mrs Ronan.

If you are a football fan, I hope that you are able to enjoy the final couple of weeks of the World Cup. It is certainly a sport that the whole family can enjoy. Come on England!

Mrs Hanks

# Year 6 Residential trip

Straight after half term, most of Y6 embarked on their residential trip to 'Kingswood' near Wolverhampton. The children had a great time taking part in lots of activities including archery, abseiling, caving, quad biking and the zipwire. Pupils worked on communication and problem solving skills as well as resilience and self-confidence. Thank you ever so much to the four members of staff who gave up their time to take the children on this trip and thank you to parents for giving their children this fantastic opportunity.





#### Year 2 Trip to Holdenby House

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June Year 2 visited 16th Century Holdenby House in Northamptonshire. The children were transported back in time to a themed day set in World War Two. During the day we met Mrs North (a very strict cook who helped us work out how to make our rations go further), Mrs FO (a lady from London who had lost her apartment in the air raids and so decided to move to the country where she helped us to learn about the make-do-andmend approach), and finally there was The Major (who was a Major in the army and certainly wouldn't tolerate any hands in pockets or lines that weren't straight!) After an exhausting morning of cooking, sheltering and making do and mending, we performed one of our favourite songs (All Our Friends) for the injured soldiers who were recuperating upstairs. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and is still the hot topic of conversation in class. The experiences we had are also forming part of our writing and topic lessons, allowing the children to draw on personal experiences to add a greater depth of detail to their work.



NSPCC Messathon

On 21st and 22nd July at Sandwell Valley Country Park, Messathan is a 3km obstacle course challenge for the whole family. It is a messy, muddy family obstacle course.

Registration is £15.50 for adults and £9.50 for children. There's a t-shirt, face paint and medal for each messathlete.

Further information please call 0203 772 9720

Every penny raised will help us raise vital funds for the NSPCC to be there for every child, whatever obstacles life puts in their way.

Sports Day

Sports day will be taking place on Thursday 12th July, weather permitting. EYFS (Nursery & Reception) 9.15am-10.15am KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6) 10.00am-12.00pm KS1 (Years 1&2) 1.30pm - 2.50pm

Summer Holiday Playscheme

Summer Holiday Play Scheme will be running from Wednesday 25th July to Friday 17th August. If you are interested please collect a registration pack from the school office.

Parent/Carers of Year 2

As of September if your child would like to have a school meal these will have to be paid for unless you are entitled to free school meals. If you would like your child to have a school meal please complete 'School Meal Preference' form that was sent out with your child. The deadline for returning the form is 13th July.

Increase in Prices from September

With effect from 4th September the following will increase in price:-Breakfast club

£3 per day £15 per week

Wrap Around

Until 4.15pm - £5.50

Until 5.15pm - £7.75 Until 6pm - £8.75

Grandparent Reading Café

KS1 had a delightful afternoon sharing their favourite books with their grandparents. The children enjoyed selecting big books, dual language books, topic books and many more to impress their family with their fantastic reading skills. Children were even teaching their grandparents how to use phonics to help them with tricky words! Thank you Mrs Galbraith for our cakes and biscuits and thank you very much to all those who were able to spend their sunny afternoon with us. We look forward to seeing your again.





#### New Summer 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 2 July - Week 3 menu

W/C 9 July - Week 1 menu

W/C 16 July - Week 2 menu

## Birth Certificates

For those who still 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

#### 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.

#### <u>Star Burst</u> <u>UKS2</u> Thursday 7 Tu

Thursday 7 June

Team Toomer - Grace Team Steadman - Ashley Team Palmer - Sophie Team Thomas - Tayah

#### EYFS & KS1 Thursday 14 June

Nursery - Mackenzie
Team Degville - Corey
Team Carpenter - Tamara
Team Lynch - Nevaeh
Team Durning - Khiarna
Team Wood - Mason
Team Edwards - Katie

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

If not please let us know in school office.

# Dates for your Diary 2018

Please note dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances

#### July

11th - Year4/5 Guitar & Brass concert
12th - Sports day
16th - Open afternoon & Reports handed out
18th - Year 6 performance to parents
19th - School disco
23 July - Teacher Training day
24 July - Teacher Training day
School closed - Wednesday 25 July to

School open to children - Tuesday 4
September

Monday 3 September

# School Values:

- Wonder
- Acceptance
- Friendship
- Honesty

# School rules:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT