



NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2019

Hello from New Hall's Governing Board!



My name is Joy Moore and I became a Co-opted Governor in March 2019. I have a background of working in a school environment in an administrative capacity. Being interested in education and as my daughters attended New Hall many years ago I thought it would be a good opportunity to volunteer at the School as a governor. In addition to attending the governing board meetings I have enjoyed the Y6 Leavers Performance and celebrating the Governors Awards Assembly at the end of the Summer Term. I look forward to attending more events in the future.

I am a member of the Curriculum Committee, which is a new experience for me, and it has been amazing to hear of the fantastic achievements being made by the children and staff. The main role of the Committee is to support and challenge the Senior Leadership Team to ensure that the School provides a broad and balanced curriculum.

I have recently been appointed as the Safeguarding Link Governor and following relevant training I will meet with the Designated Safeguarding Lead in school and feedback to the governing board. I have found the governing board to be welcoming and committed to fulfilling its duties to all children and am finding the role interesting and rewarding.

Reception Nativity

Reception performed their Nativity on the 11th December: The Angel Express. The children told the story of the angels wanting to do something special for baby Jesus, so they decided to sing him a special song. All of the children sang the songs beautifully and said their lines confidently. Well done Reception! Mrs Carpenter thought you were amazing and is very proud of you all!



Live in the Lodge Newsletter Choir on Tour

If you've been along in the past or know anyone who would like to join our very jolly Wednesday group, just pop along to the Community Centre (4.15pm - 5.45pm) each week. In addition to the Christmas Concert, the choir will also be performing at nearby Trinity Specialist College in December (20th), as well as popping up with carols at Asda Minworth next month.



Important information about attendance at our school

We wish to remind you about the importance of regular attendance at school. Not only does poor attendance affect your child's education, it is also a legal requirement that your child comes to school every day. Non-attendance can lead to fines being issued and court action being taken. We have recently had a family receive a court fine of £375 due to poor attendance.

If you need any support or guidance regarding attendance at our school, please contact Ms Jurczak or Mrs Card.



New Hall Sports

On Tuesday 10th December, 12 children from Year 1 and Year 2 participated in the Multi Skills tournament against 4 other schools from Sutton Coldfield. We had so many children interested, that we actually were able to make two separate teams! Each team took part in 8 different events across the tournament. New Hall did extremely well, winning a gold medal for having the highest overall score! Well done children!!

Upcoming Sport Events

9th January - Year 5/6 Basketball Tournament,
Bishops Vesey
20th January - Year 3/4 Sports Tournament,
Bishops Vesey
29th January - KS2 Gymnastics TBC
26th February - Year 1/2 Sports
10th March - Year 5/6 Hand Ball
13th May - Year 3/4 Tennis
20th May - Year 5/6 Rounders Bishops Vesey

Space Camp

On Thursday 14th November, it was Team Collis' turn to participate in Space Camp! The children really enjoyed training like an astronaut, using the Space 4D cards to learn about the solar system and producing their own Nebula inspired artwork. However, they didn't enjoy this as much as the hot chocolate, toast and night time movie.



Poppy Appeal

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal. An amazing £319.44 was collected from New Hall. We would like to thank you Lexi and her family for the extra Poppy resources.

Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

Thank you



Year 5 Tamworth Castle

Year 5 enjoyed a fun and historical trip to Tamworth Castle where they:

- Discovered and learnt about Viking and Saxon artefacts
 - Trained to be a Viking Soldier
- Explored the Castle grounds.
It was a brilliant day, which really helped enrich their 'Invaders' topic



Trutex - Autism Friendly

Trutex school wear shop in Erdington are going to be doing Autism friendly quiet shopping for pupils.

This will take place by appointment only on a Wednesday evening between 5-6pm so that there is only one family at a time in the shop. The shop number to arrange the appointments is 0121 350 8444.



A BIG Thank You

A lot of blood, sweat and tears go into the arranging of PTFA events.

Despite all that, PTFA continue to come up with ideas to not only raise money for New Hall but for the children to enjoy different experiences.

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to PTFA, New Hall teachers and staff in making sure the cinema night was a success. We hope all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and appreciated the effort.



Star Burst Assembly

Thursday 28th November

Team Degville - Amira

Team Rainbird - Amalie

Team Wood - Eleonora

Team Lynch - Oluwamayode



Star Burst Assembly

Thursday 5th December

Team Durning - Evie Rose

Team White - Tallulah

Team Scrivens - Ella

Team Dudley - Jake

Twitter

Are you following us on Twitter? Want to know what your child gets up to? Follow us @NewHallpri

We would love to have you follow us.

E-Safety Tip

Observe good net etiquette. See the WISE KIDS Guide to Net Etiquette at <http://www.wisekids.org.uk/netetiquette.htm>

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.

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

We have 45 contact forms outstanding. 45 children we DO NOT have up to date contact details on. We can not stress enough how important it is that we have up to date information.

How do we contact you if an emergency happens at school regarding your child??

Please return ASAP your child's contact form.

Thank you

Play & Stay

We would like to welcome New Hall parents along with their children to come to 'Play & Stay'. This will be taking place once a month, on the first Friday of each month (term time). Each session will run from 2pm - 2.45pm. Hope you can join us.

Swimming Hats

Swimming hats can be purchased from the school office for £2.25

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 more information please call the school office on 0121 464 5170.

8am Swimming Lessons

There are swimming lessons available for pupils at 8am on a Tuesday morning at New Hall. If you would like more information, please contact the school office on 0121 464 5170.

Late Collection

School finishes at 3pm and children should be collected at 3pm. Any children who are not collected at 3pm will incur a late charge.

Wrap Around and School Meals

Reminder - Wrap Around payments need to be paid a month in advance. School meals need to be paid one week in advance. Failure to do so may result in us no longer being able to provide a Wrap Around service or school dinner for your child.



Dates for your Diary 2019/20

December

School closed : Monday 23rd
December - Friday 3 January 2020

January 2020

School open: Monday 6 January
15th - Year 2 SATS workshop 9am

February

7th - Year 4 trip to Warwick Castle
School closed: Monday 17 February
- Friday 21 February
School open: Monday 24 February
24th - Team Steadman trip to Mosque
25th - Tem Collis trip to Mosque

April

1st - Year 5 Easter assembly to
parents
School closed: Monday 6 April -
Friday 17th April
School open: Monday 20 April

May

School closed: Friday 8th May (Bank
Holiday)
School open: Monday 11th May
School closed: Monday 25th May -
Friday 29th May

June

School open: Monday 1st June
3rd - Year 2 trip to Holdenby House
16th - Year 5 trip to Cadbury World
24th - Year 1 assembly to parents

July

6th - 8th - Year 6 Residential trip
15th - Year 6 Leavers assembly to
parents
Inset Day school closed: Monday
20th July
School closed: Tuesday 21st July -
Monday 31 August

1 further inset day are yet to be
confirmed

September 2020

School open: Tuesday 1st September
tbc

Merry
Christmas
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR