



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2020

We are in a position to make some small changes to the timings of the day and you will be receiving a separate letter about this. Please take note of the details.

Staff changes

We are delighted to have welcomed back Miss Edwards this year who has been working with Years 3 and 4 this half term.

Mrs Toomer will be leaving us to start her maternity leave shortly. As a result we are pleased to welcome Mrs Evans to the New Hall team. Mrs Evans will work across Year 4 until Mrs Toomer leaves.

Year Group Celebrations

As we try and get used to the 'new normal' we are trying to keep the consistency of the usual celebrations that each year group complete. This half term Year 2 celebrated Harvest Festival virtually with parents/carers.

After half term there will be further celebration events for Years 3, 4 and Reception. Further details as to how parents can access these events virtually will be provided after half term.

Staff recognition

As I take some time to reflect on this half term I can say with certainty that it has been an unusually challenging time for all of us here at New Hall, dealing with the many changes that have had to happen within the school environment. The focus has been on reconnecting with the children and supporting their needs. We have successfully managed to make it as happy, hardworking and effective as ever. This has been due to the tremendous hard work of each and every member of the New Hall team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff for their hard work and dedication. The staff truly are amazing—I have always been proud to call myself Head Teacher here, but given the difficult times we are facing and will continue to face, I know that what has helped me through is the knowledge that all staff continue to work so very hard and selflessly to give the children their very best.

Thank you all!

Tier 2 Lockdown

As Birmingham is in Tier 2 of lockdown I'm sure it will feel a strange half term for parents as they follow the guidance from the government. I hope you are able to make the best of it, and we look forward to seeing you all on the 2nd November

Mrs Hanks

Respect your Surroundings

Please show respect to our neighbours properties and gardens. Please make sure your child stands with you either on the pavement or when on school property. We are saddened when we upset our neighbours especially when we are all trying really hard in a very difficult time. Please think of others and be respectful.



Reception 2021

If your child was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, they will be able to start school in September 2021.

Parents please apply online for your child's Reception school place. You have till 11:59pm on 15th January 2021 to submit your choices. The national offer day will be 16th April 2021.

If you require any help please call 0121 303 1888.

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Year 6 Parents

Parents please apply online for your child's Year 7 Secondary school place. You have till 11:59pm on 31st October 2020 to submit your choices.

If you require any help please call 0121 303 1888.

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Thank you

Harvest Festival by Year 2

During the Autumn term Year 2 have been learning about the festival of Harvest. We have learnt about this celebration and the things that we are thankful for. Year 2 have learnt and played instruments to Harvest songs ready for our virtual assembly. We hope you enjoy watching it!



School Meals

We provide a hot lunch as part of the free universal school meals initiative for all of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 each day. The hot lunch is from a reduced menu, the full menu can be found on our website.

For Key Stage 2, pupils (years 3,4,5 and 6) who are eligible and registered for Free School Meals or who pay for lunch will either have a hot lunch or sandwich meal provided.

Hot Lunch

We aim to provide a 'hot' lunch for one KS2 year group each week, again this is a reduced menu from the menu on our website. The days they are not given a hot meal they will be given a 'sandwich meal' from school.

Sandwich Meal

At the start of each school day KS2 children are given a choice of sandwich fillings to choose from, they are:

Tuna mayo
Cheese
Jam
Ham

The sandwiches are made using medium sliced 50/50 bread. Accompanying their sandwich in their own paper bag are the following:

Drink
Cake or Biscuit
Pot of salad
Fresh fruit

Additional items depending on availability:
Cheese & Biscuits
Yoghurt or Jelly pot

If your child has certain dietary requirements, the paper bag is marked with the child's name.





COOK AND COLLECT

free, nutritious, takeaway meal

Mondays from 26th of Oct | 3.00-4.00pm

Falcon Lodge Community Hub

Churchill Road

B75 7LB



What the role of a school councillor involves:

- Taking great pride in working together to make school an even better place.
- Wear school councillor badges so everyone knows who they need to talk about making changes.
- Meet at least once a fortnight to discuss topics that will help develop our school and the wider community.
- Listen carefully to our peers and record their opinions in our school council books to share at the next meeting.
- Share all our decisions with our teachers and classmates.
- Try to be excellent role models for the other children.

2020/21 New Hall's School Council Members

Welcome.....

Year 1:

Team Rainbird - Niyah

Year 2:

Team Durning - Evie

Team Lynch - Oliver

Year 3:

Team Wood - May

Team White - Fatimah

Year 4:

Team Dudley - Amelia

Team Toomer - Khiarna

Year 5:

Team Collis - Matthew

Team Steadman - Mason

Year 6:

Team Roberts - Faezah

Team Thomas - Elisha



Star Burst

Team Carpenter

8th October - Samuel

15th October - Cassie Leigh

22nd October - Roy

Team Degville

8th October - Joshua

15th October - Daisy-Lou

22nd October - Hugo

Team Rainbird

8th October - Victoria

15th October - Scarlett

22nd October - Muhammad

Team Durning

8th October - Natasia

15th October - Sebastian

22nd October - Alesha

Team Lynch

8th October - Lawson

15th October - Romiah

22nd October - Sinead

Team White

8th October - Connor

15th October - Te'Morah

22nd October - Brooke

Team Wood

8th October - Maryam

15th October - Alaia

22nd October - Jensen

Team Toomer

8th October - Albert

15th October - James

22nd October - Holly

Team Dudley

8th October - Praise

15th October - Filip

22nd October - Romilea

Team Collis

8th October - Elsie-Beau

15th October - Skye

22nd October - David

Team Steadman

8th October - Kawther

15th October - Neva

22nd October - Brooklyn

Team Roberts

8th October - Rhys

15th October - Louise

22nd October - Joshua

Team Thomas

8th October - Lillie

15th October - Abdoulaye

22nd October - Brandon

Reminders....



Teacher Training

Day

School we be closed
on Monday 14th

December 2020 for a teacher training day.
School will re-open on Tuesday 15th December for pupils.

Concerns

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss your child's progress, please email using parents@newhall.bham.sch.uk

Well Being

Parents/carers, you can find information about a range of services to support family and children's health and well-being on our website. Visit the well-being tab for details.

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

Meal Choices

If your child would like to make a permanent change to their meal choice i.e meal provided by school or home, please let us know in advance. Simply tell us via: parents@newhall.bham.sch.uk

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.

Thank you



Diary Dates 2020/21*

October

Half term - Monday 26th October - Friday 30 October

November

2nd - School open to pupils

December

Monday 14th December INSET Day

15th - School open to pupils

School closed - Monday 21st December -

Friday 1st January 2021

January

4th - School open to pupils

February

Half term - Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February

22nd - School open to pupils

March

April

School closed - Friday 2nd April

(Bank Holiday)

School closed - Monday 5th April - Friday 16th April

19th - School open to pupils

May

School closed - Monday 3rd May (Bank
Holiday)

4th - School open to pupils

Half term - Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June

June

7th - School open to pupils

July

School closed - Thursday 22nd July - Wednesday 1st September

*Teacher training days to be added