Old Hall Primary School

Weekly Newsletter 04.09.26

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Welcome Back!

A very happy new school year to all our children, families, staff and governors. It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school and there is a real sense of excitement and positivity as we begin another year together. We would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to all of our new families joining the school community, as well as to those returning after the summer break. It has been fantastic to see the children settle so quickly into their new classes. They have returned looking incredibly smart, well rested and ready to embrace the opportunities and challenges of the year ahead. The enthusiasm, confidence and positive attitudes we have seen during the first few days back have made us all extremely proud.

A special mention must go to our new Reception children, who have made such a brilliant start to their journey with us. Starting school is a significant milestone for both children and families, and we have been delighted to see so many smiling faces as they begin their first experiences of 'big school'. They have shown great courage, independence and enthusiasm, and we are very proud of each and every one of them.



Throughout the year, our weekly newsletter will continue to keep you informed about all aspects of school life, celebrating pupils' achievements and sharing important information. In addition, class newsletters will provide an overview of the exciting learning planned for each term and ways in which you can support your child's learning at home.

Uniform and Lost Property

The children all look incredibly smart in their uniforms and new shiny shoes. Please ensure all uniform items are labelled so we can keep belongings with the right owners. If by any chance your child's items go home with the wrong person, they will find their way back if they are suitably labelled.

Next week, for Y1-Y6, we begin our PE uniform days. Earrings should not be worn on PE days or covered with plasters please. PE uniform is a light blue, round neck t-shirt, burgundy/black shorts or black leggings, joggers or shorts and trainers. **Please ensure black bottoms are plain and not branded as per our uniform policy.**

PE days are as follows:

Class 1 – Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 2 – Mondays and Fridays
Year 3 – Thursdays and Fridays
Year 4 – Mondays and Thursdays
Year 5 – Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 6 – Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Robinwood 2026

This morning we waved off Team Year 6 as they headed to Robinwood with Mrs Miller, Mr Chase and Mr Hargreaves. We could not think of a more perfect way to start the year and know they are going to have the very best time.

Some of the activities they will be enjoying are raft building, caving, giant swing, zip wire and night line to name but a few!

REMINDER – Robinwood children are due back at approximately 2.30pm on Sunday and the school car park will be open for your convenience.





Diary Dates

AUTUMN 1
Wed 9th Sep – Meet the Teacher 3.40-4.30pm
Wed 16th Sep – Guitar/Ukelele assembly/taster drop ins in class
Thurs 24th Sep – Macmillan cake donations
Fri 25th Sep – Macmillan Coffee Morning 8.15am-9am
Thurs 8th Oct – Rec Sep 2027 Open Evening
12th & 13th Oct – Porch Appeal Harvest Donations
12th-23rd Oct – Year 4 Swimming (pms)
Wed 14th – Harvest Assembly (Year 5), parents welcome
Wed 14th – Rec 2027 drop ins 9.30am & 1.30pm

AUTUMN 2
Tue 3rd Nov – SCHOOL OPENS
Wed 11th Nov – Remembrance Assembly , Year 2
Wed 18th Nov – Parents Evening
Fri 20th Nov – Non-uniform – Chocolate Donations
Fri 27th Nov – Non-uniform – Bottles
Fri 4th Dec – Non-uniform – Gifts
Sat 5th Dec – Christmas Fair (PTA)
Thurs 10th Dec – Class 1 & Y2 Christmas Production (am & pm)

Thur 22nd Oct – Halloween Disco (PTA) Fri 23rd Oct – FINISH FOR HALF TERM	Wed 16th Dec – Christmas Panto at Old Hall Thur 17th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day Fri 18th Dec – Finish for Christmas, 2.30pm

Class Assemblies

Our class assemblies will be held on the following dates this year:

Class 1 – Easter – 24/3/27
Year 2 – Remembrance – 11/11/26
Year 3 – Wellbeing/Mental Health – 3/3/27
Year 4 – Healthy Lifestyles – 7/7/27
Year 5 – Harvest – 14/10/26
Year 6 – Lunar New Year – 10/2/27

The hall will be open from drop off, assemblies will begin at 9.15am

Meet the Teacher

We will be holding our 'Meet the Teacher' session on Wednesday 9th September in classrooms from 3.40pm-4.30pm.

This will be an informal drop-in for any parents wishing to say hello to their child's class teacher and for your child to show you their new classroom.

This will not follow a parents evening format and formal appointments are not required.

We ask on this date that you collect your child first and then re-enter school with them via their classroom doors once all of the children have been safely dismissed.

We politely ask that you wait until 3.40 before re-entering school through your child's correct entrance to enable us to safely dismiss all children first.



Nut Free School

We are an allergy aware and nut free school. Some of our children have allergies and should they be exposed to nuts in any form they could have an extremely severe reaction. Please take extra care to ensure nuts and food containing nuts do not come into school. Thank you.



Bikes and Scooters

It is always pleasing to see so many children travelling to and from school on their bikes and scooters. In the interests of safety please ensure the following:

- All children on their bike or scooter **MUST** wear a helmet.
- Bikes and scooters need to be dismounted and pushed up to the parking area, school is very busy and it is unsafe to ride on the path up to and down from school.
- Bikes and scooters are **not** permitted on the playground.

Pupil Leadership

We are currently in the process of nominating children who have expressed an interest into some of our pupil leadership roles this year. Our Year 6 hall monitors have been selected and in addition, we have our School Council, Digital Leaders and break time organisers selected. We will be offering further roles as the term progresses and will be looking for some curriculum ambassadors for our core subjects.

PTA Support

We hope to be able to offer a full calendar of PTA events this academic year that will include: Halloween Disco, Christmas Fair, Easter Bingo and hopefully a Summer Fair. These events are always really enjoyable and bring the school community together, however, we are wholly reliant on the PTA volunteers. Due to pupils leaving and changes in circumstances, our team of PTA volunteers have dwindled, and this very much impacts our ability to run such events for children and families as we are so reliant on extra willing hands.

By offering support as part of the PTA, this does not mean that you are required to give your time to every single event, but many hands really do make light work. The PTA will be hosting their AGM this half term (date to follow) and everyone is invited, but in the meantime, if you are able to offer your support in any way to any of our events, please send an email to PTAOldHall@outlook.com

Your help could include: running a stall, helping with PR linked to events, developing a PTA social media presence, setting up events, purchasing/ordering stock for stalls. If this sounds like something you might be able to offer, please drop the PTA an email.