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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Turtle

We hope that those parents who came along last night to the class curriculum meetings found them useful; the presentations from the evening will also be put on the class pages of the website as a reminder or if you were not able to attend. Thank you to everyone who supported the FHF BBQ and social event following the meetings - it is always good to be able to catch up with everyone. Our FHF are a fantastic team and we are very grateful for all that they do for the school - do think about joining them!

School Council

Congratulations to those children who were nominated by their peers to represent their classes on the School Council over the coming months.



Our School Council Representatives are:

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| 2 | Jacob & Chanelle |
| 3 | Isla & Jacob |
| 4 | Harry L & Lucy |
| 5 | Freddy & Faye |
| 6 | Lucia & Yuri |

School Captains

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who have been chosen to lead our team houses this year.



CAPTAINS

| | HOUSE CAPTAINS | SPORTS CAPTAINS |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| BEECH | JALENA KIERAN | SOPHIE C BOBIE |
| CHESTNUT | ADAM HOLLY | JAMIE OLIVIA |
| OAK | FREYA KIMI | ADEOLUWA DAISY |
| ASH | LUKAS REBECCA | JAISEN LILY |



Harvest Assembly and Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning

All our parents & carers are invited to join us at **10.15am** on **Weds 26th September** for our Harvest Assembly. Our Harvest contributions this year will be donated to AgeUK and Swanley Foodbank. Please send your child into school with your donation on **Wednesday 26th September**; this should be tinned or packeted food only, please. Our assembly will be followed by refreshments & cakes for a small donation in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. We hope you can join us to enjoy our Harvest celebrations and to support this very worthwhile cause.



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Questionnaires

As part of our commitment to "Achieving More Together" and working alongside parents, our annual questionnaire is coming home today which all of our parents are invited to complete. Our children in Yrs 1-6 will also have the opportunity to complete their own survey in school. The information will then be evaluated and used by the staff & governors to continue to work with you to improve our school during the year ahead. Please return your completed questionnaires by Friday 21st September. Thank you.

Starting High Firs....

Although the new academic year has only just started, we are already looking ahead to our new Reception children starting in September 2019! Parents with a child due to start school next year (children born 1.9.2014 to 31.8.2015) are warmly invited to tour the school during one of the following sessions:



- * **Wednesday 31st October at 11am**
- * **Tuesday 6th November at 9.30am**
- * **Thursday 15th November at 5.30pm**

There will also be a play activity session for prospective parents & children on **Monday 10th December** from 2pm to 3pm.

Please let the office know if you would like to attend a tour and / or the play afternoon. Please do also pass this information on to those friends or family who may be considering applying for a place at High Firs for their child.

Friends of High Firs Primary School Association

Supporting Our Children's Education

Registered Charity No. 1137633

Thank you to everyone who attended the Friends' AGM last night.

We are pleased to confirm the Committee for the coming year will be:

Chair – Chris Tiller

Deputy Chair – Derya Halil

Secretary – Jo Almeida

Treasurer – Jane Croxton

Safety Officer – Brian Bunning

Trustees – Lisa Ellis, Sam Officer, Emma Walford & Charlotte Tiller.

Gemma Sayers was nominated as a new Trustee and will be appointed following the relevant checks.

Staff Representatives – Mrs D McCullough & Miss C Rennie

President - Mr C Turtle

The class reps for the coming year will be confirmed soon.

**** NEXT FHF MEETING ****

Everyone welcome, please come along

The next FHF meeting will be on **MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER at 7.15pm for 7.30pm** start.

Notice is hereby given that the first business of the meeting will be an Extraordinary General Meeting in order to:

1. Receive and agree Minutes of AGM held on 14th September 2017
2. Receive and agree the 2017-2018 FHF Annual Report
3. Receive and agree the 2017-2018 Statement of Accounts

This will be followed by general business as usual.



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Important Information

Important Health Information - PLEASE REMEMBER!

Please remember to **let the school know immediately** if you suspect your child has any of the following (even if it has not been confirmed): **measles, chicken pox or shingles**. It is also important to let us know if your child has been exposed to these illnesses (eg through a friend at a club or a family member) but has not shown the symptoms themselves. Please also let us know if your child has also been in contact with any other infectious diseases.



** Please note we are a **PEANUT-FREE** school; please do not send in peanut-based products. **



Coming up next week -

CLUBS START FROM NEXT WEEK
Please check your slips for more info.

INSET DAYS

No children in school

- 1: Mon 3 Sept 2018
- 2: Thurs 3 Jan 2019
- 3: Fri 4 Jan 2019
- 4: TBC
- 5: TBC

There are no diary dates for next week.



The school library is open to borrow a book on **THURSDAYS 3.20pm – 3.40pm**
All classes welcome!



Dartford FC Community Programme
Football Holiday Course
10am - 3pm
(Early drop off from 9am and late pick up until 3.30pm at no extra cost)
£10 a day or £40 for the week
Ages 5-12 only

Venue: Dartford FC, Princes Park, Dartford, DA1 1RT

Dates: Monday 22nd October - Friday 26th October (5 Days)

- All coaches are qualified, DBS checked, fully insured and members of the FA Licensed Coaches Club.
- Packed lunch, water bottle and appropriate kit and footwear is required.
- 10% discount available for children that play for Dartford Juniors, Dartford Pre Academy and Dartford District.
- Skill Challenges, Tournaments; Foot Golf, Weekly Prizes, Stadium Tour, 1st team player appearances and much more.
- Everyone that attends the full week will receive a medal.

To book a place or for more information please contact our head of football development Ian Varley on 01322 299990 or email: community@dartfordfc.com

TERM DATES 2018 - 2019

This does **NOT** include INSET days which are issued separately.

| August 2018 | | | | | | | September 2018 | | | | | | | October 2018 | | | | | | | November 2018 | | | | | | |
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