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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Turtle

Football fans are eagerly awaiting the start of the postponed Euros from last year and as is traditional at High Firs all of the participating countries have been put in a draw to be allocated to our classes. We announced some of these in today's Special Mentions assembly and the full allocations will be announced next week so the children can find out about the countries and teams they are following - good luck, everyone!

School Day

From 7th June onwards our collection time will be 3.05pm to 3.20pm for the remainder of the Summer Term. Children who walk in Yr5&6 will continue to be dismissed at 3.15pm. We have made this decision based on:

- Regaining learning time
- Easing of Covid-related restrictions nationwide
- Most of our parents all collect currently within a very short time-frame already, despite the longer available time, so we do not believe this will increase risk by increasing the number of people on site at one time.

In order to reduce congestion and to continue to limit risk please can we ask that:

- Only one adult per collection on site.
- Adults collecting to please wear a face covering.
- All children remain under close supervision while waiting outside in the morning and after being collected.
- Distancing is maintained at the gate and on the playground.

Drop-off in the morning will continue to be 8.30am to 8.55am and this will remain in place until the end of the Summer Term; we will let you know any subsequent changes nearer the Autumn Term.

Events

The Summer Term is always busy with events and we want the children to be able to experience these as much as they can whilst still keeping everyone safe. Whilst we are hopeful that the government's roadmap will continue as planned and that restrictions will have lifted by the end of June this is not yet assured and our risk assessments will continue to take into account our own site & community and other school commitments. Based on these factors we have therefore made the following plans for June & July:

These events will take place in school-time for children only - we are sorry that we will not be inviting parents to attend this year:

- KS1 Sports Day - Weds 16th June
- KS2 Sports Day - Thurs 17th June
- Children's Fair (no Fun Day) - Fri 2nd July
- X Factor (no Open Evening) - Tues 6th July

These events will take place with relevant year group parents & children only -

- Rec pop in & play - Fri 25th June: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr1 Sharing Session - Weds 23rd June: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr2 Sharing Session - Mon 21st June: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr3 Sharing Session - Thurs 1st July: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr4 Sharing Session - Mon 28th June: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr5 Sharing Session - Mon 5th July: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr6 Sharing Session - Thurs 24th June: 2.30pm to 3pm
- Yr6 Blackland Farm meeting - Mon 28th June: 6pm (info will be sent out sooner!)
- Yr6 Leavers' Assembly (+ school siblings only) and Leavers' Tea - Tues 20th July 2pm.

The sharing sessions take the place of our usual Open Evening and class assemblies. Dates & arrangements for any other events will be notified asap. The dates above may still be subject to change or cancellation depending on changing circumstances (or the weather!).



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Breakfast Club & After School Club

Bookings for Breakfast Club and After School Club are now available for Summer Term (6) -

Breakfast Club: <http://high-firs.kent.sch.uk/bcbookings/>

After School Club: <http://high-firs.kent.sch.uk/ascbookings/>



Online Payments

Our SchoolMoney system is now ready for use to accept payments online direct from parents to the school. Your log-in details for the system will be emailed to the email address you have registered with us so please keep an eye out for this and check your spam too just in case it goes there; we will send a text to let you know when this email has been sent. Payments can be made directly to us using SchoolMoney for incidences such as:

- Breakfast Club & After School Club
- School Trips
- Uniform Sales (payment only - school form will still need to be completed)
- Other payments as advised....

Please note that this system should **not** currently be used for:

- Friends of High Firs payments
- School lunch meal payments

We will also continue to accept cash and cheque payments to "KCC High Firs Primary School" if you prefer this method.



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Special Mentions

This week, our special mentions go to:

- Sadie B, Danny B & Bella W - super instruction writing on how to look after Kylie the fish.
- Harvey R-H - detailed drawing of an eagle.
- Roman T - super fact file on polar bears and arctic foxes.
- Scarlett T - for super alternative for Jack & The Beanstalk
- Daisy S - fantastic effort in Maths.
- Tilly F - super problem solving.
- Logan T-G - using phonics in his descriptive writing.
- Poppy C & Clark R-W - fantastic miniature gardens.
- Alfie L - working hard to learn his times tables.
- Laquisha M-D - working hard with her maths and writing this week.
- Albert B - super story writing.
- Ella V - working hard all week and positive contributions in lessons.
- Jack M - his model "ocean trash collector".
- Ronnie R - a lovely summer poem.
- Ted B - great maths and reading this week, plus a great explanation of how to round numbers.
- Joshua E & Lucy E - super bowling in rounders.
- Sunni L-H - a creative narrative poem.
- Alec G & Jack W - their use of clay to make their own Ancient Greek clay pot.
- Joseph F - using his scientific skills at home in the kitchen to explain changes of material.
- Evelynn C - brilliant logo design in RE.
- Janay C - great work comparing Tudor clothing to today's styles.



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In our classes this week

- Reception - learned how to write number sentences.
- Year 1 - found out how to find half.
- Year 2 - wrote a biography about Sir David Attenborough.
- Year 3 - learned how icebergs are formed.
- Year 4 - wrote explanations for their own amazing inventions!
- Year 5 - made Ancient Greek pots using clay.
- Year 6 - learned about Macbeth through English, drama and music!



HOUSE POINTS

	This Week	Term Total	Top Scorers this week
BEECH	99	365	Korley A, Michael C, Josue V
CHESTNUT	96	367	Ruby D
OAK	89	334	Poppy C, Sadiya M
ASH	82	327	Nick S



Coming up next week

Tues 25th May - Reception health checks

Friday 28th May - INSET
(staff training - no children in school)

No children in school:
Fri 28th May (INSET)
Fri 9th July (INSET)

PE Days

R	1	2
Wednesday 26th instead of Friday	Mondays Wednesdays	Mondays Wednesdays
3	4	5
Tuesdays Thursdays	Tuesdays Thursdays	Mondays Thursdays
6		
Tuesdays Thursdays		

Don't forget to wear your P.E. kit - make sure you are warm enough to go outside!

YOUR MENU

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
24.05.2021	Cheese & tomato pizza (v) (1,3,8) or Vegetable burger (v) (1,3) Potato wedges, baked beans & seasonal salad Vanilla ice cream (1) Strawberry yoghurt (1) Dining centre	Cottage pie (1) or Bean & vegetable cottage pie (v) (1) Carrots & broccoli Fruit sponge with custard (1,3,11)	Roast pork & gravy or Vegetable & lentil hot pot Roast potatoes Seasonal greens, roasted vegetables Jelly and cream (1)	Beef lasagne (1,3,14) or Vegetable lasagne (v)(1,3,14) Wholemeal herb bread (1,3,8) Sweetcorn, coleslaw (11) Fresh fruit salad
Available Daily: Handmade Bread, Fresh Salad & Fruit Also Available. Daily Jacket Potatoes with Beans & Cheese(1) Or Tuna Mayonnaise (2,11)				
Allergen Key: 1. Milk, 2. Fish, 3. Gluten, 4. Peanuts, 5. Tree nuts, 6. Soya, 7. Sesame, 8. Lupin, 9. Shellfish, 10. Molluscs, 11. Egg, 12. Sulphite, 13. Celery, 14. Mustard MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE *				



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