

Harrington Hill Primary School Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It is wonderful to see the building full of children again after an unusually long break. We are proud to say that the children have settled into their new routines well and are enjoying learning with their friends again.

As this is the first newsletter of the academic year we have included as much information as possible about key dates as well as an up to date staffing profile and key messages. On Monday, we sent home class curriculum knowledge organisers which give information about the topics that each class is studying this half term. Please take note in particular of PE days. We have a PE kit that we expect children to wear (plain white or red t-shirt, plain bottoms and plain black/white plimsolls or trainers) which will need to be brought into school on these days.

School uniform can be ordered online. Please go the Harrington Hill Primary School website, click on the 'Parents' tab and scroll down to 'School Uniform'. It is essential that children wear the correct uniform to school each day. Branded logos on items of clothing (apart from the school logo) are not permitted. Bottoms must be unbranded plain black or dark grey. Please ensure all clothing is labelled. Due to Covid restrictions, we can no longer keep lost property items in a shared box. We will endeavour to return all lost property to its owner before the end of the school day.

If you think you may be eligible for free school meals, please visit our website; click on 'About Us' and drop down to 'Pupil Premium and Free School Meals' for information on how to apply.

Our new school website includes all key information. Please take the time to explore it and do let us know if you have any feedback. On Wednesday 23rd September a photographer will be in school to take photos of the children and staff for the website. We will only use photos of children for whom we have parental permission.

Our team in 2020/2021

Harrington Hill Staffing Profile

Nursery Shari Williams Rhonda Williams	Reception Dani King Jade Eames/ Alberto Vigo Lisha Lai
1B Resna Begum Chenelle Marcel	1 H Buki Haxhijaha Ellis-Mai Lacken
2M Kate Merrick Mary Wilson	3L Katie Lee Farzana Patel Alberto Vigo
3/4A Chloe Alcock Farzana Patel Alberto Vigo	4/5D Paulla Dean Owen Hills
5S Ruta Strazdauskaite Emma CLayton	6E Ece Ergen Ilknur Ergen/ Maimuna Faal
6W Hollie Watson Ilknur Ergen/ Maimuna Faal	Learning Mentor Aysu Ozdemir

A huge welcome to the new members of our teaching team who have joined us: Mary Wilson, Alberto Vigo and Emma Clayton. All staff attended two days of induction and training at the start of September in order to prepare for the new academic year. We are thrilled to welcome the children back to school and have been amazed at how remarkably quick they have settled into their new classes and school routines. We look forward to welcoming back Nursery and Reception next week.

Mrs Kennedy continues as Acting Headteacher at Harrington Hill and Mrs Geraldine Fitzmaurice as Executive Headteacher. Mr Brodie is the Acting Deputy Head and the Assistant Heads are Hester Enthoven (SENCo) and Paulla Dean. Miss Enthoven will be leading the phases EYFS and KS1 this year, Ms Dean will be leading Years 3-4 and Mr Brodie Years 5-6.



Mrs Kennedy



Mr Brodie





Miss Enthoven Mrs Dean



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Nation Sports continue to run breakfast club from 8am and after school clubs from 3.30pm this year. Please contact Nation Sports if you would like to request a place for your child.

I look forward to working with you in partnership again this year.

Rebecca Kennedy Acting Headteacher

Attendance

Children have only 190 school days in a year so coming to school every day makes a real difference! Whole school attendance for last week was 92.7%. Well done to 6E Class, the weekly winners with 100%!



Our School Vision

We are a school which...



- values, respects and celebrates diversity.



 is safe, inclusive and provides a family-like environment where everyone (children, staff, parents and carers) has a voice and are valued.



- supports the growth of responsible citizens for a future world, both on and offline.



 prioritises a creative, enriching curriculum in which learning from a wide range of first hand experiences and outdoor learning are at the centre.



 nurtures resilient, independent learners, who believe in and challenge themselves whilst problem solving together.



- has a strong culture of learning from and with each other: children, staff, parents and carers, the wider community and other schools.

Key Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Y1-6 Class Meeting PowerPoints available on website:

Friday 11th September

Nursery and Reception start school

Week beginning Monday 14th September

EYFS Class Meeting PowerPoints available on website:

Friday 18th September

Secondary School Transfer meeting (virtual) for Y6:

Monday 21st September

Photographer in school for website photographs

Wednesday 23rd September

Topic Homework Projects Due In

Monday 12th October

Half term:

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

INSET Day (school closed to all children):

Monday 2nd November

Children Start Date:

Tuesday 3rd November

Parents' Evening Phone Calls

Week beginning Monday 9th November

Well-being Week

Monday 23rd November – Friday 27th November

End of Term Finish Date:

Friday 18th December

Our learning behaviour characters!

In school, we talk to the children about showing excellence in all that they do by having good learning behaviours. These are our learning behaviour superheroes:





Thank you for helping us keep the school community safe by adhering to the new drop off/collection times and one-way system.