

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2011



Welcome back! I hope you all had a great half term break and the pupils are rested and ready to continue with their learning.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who supported their children by coming to Parent's evening this year. Attendance was 83% across the school which really highlights the importance you place on this event. It is a real opportunity for us to work together for the best interests of all. Thank you again.



Toilet in Reception

The disabled toilet in the front school reception area has been vandalised four times in recent months. As you can imagine this not only costs us to replace but also puts the facility out of action. In an effort to prevent any further attacks, we will be introducing a new system whereby a key will need to be handed out before using the toilet. Please can you ensure that pupils do not come back into school at the end of the day to use this toilet, except in an emergency.

WOW data

Last month 132 pupils walked twice a week to school and had an attendance of 95%. This is an improvement of 4 pupils from September - well done to everyone. Keep up the good work.

Winter Weather



As the weather becomes increasingly inclement can we remind pupils to come to school with a coat and suitable footwear. All pupils will go out at playtimes and lunchtimes unless the rain is pouring, so be prepared. As it seems to be getting darker even earlier with the clocks going back, for pupils' safety can we remind you to reinforce the need for all pupils to stay safe on the roads. National Road Safety week is 21-27 November and we will be highlighting how important this is to the pupils.



Lates

May we remind parents that should your child arrive late for school then you will have to provide a reason for this and all children must be accompanied by an adult into the school office. Whilst we appreciate that on the odd occasion there may be a valid reason, we seem to have some pupils who are arriving late several times a week. We do not consider this acceptable - not only does it disrupt the individual (and embarrass them) but also their class, who may have already started their lesson, as well. Please ensure that you, as parents, set the good habit of arriving on time, so that your children do not draw attention to themselves for the wrong reasons. **This week there were 93 children that arrived late to school!**



School Photographs

All school photograph orders will need to be returned to school by **Friday 18th November 2011 at the latest.**

Anti-bullying week

As a school we have recognized Anti-bullying week, which is 14-18th November. All classes will be discussing 'Say no to bullying' as part of the school curriculum this half term. We will also be visited by Police Community Support Officers who will talk to the children about aspects of bullying. As parents please could you talk to your children about what they have been learning about with regard to bullying and what they can do if they feel there is a problem with this. In the spring term we will also be having an Anti-bullying theatre production in school - further details to follow.



Starburst Awards

Thursday 20 October 2011

Team Boyce - Suhaib Karrar
Team Cookson - Ben Zvinis
Team Davis - Luke Seymour
Team Jones - George Hodgkinson
Team Jaremko/Jurczak - Louie Tattam
Team Spiers - Sarah Jones
Team Wood - Chyna Mai Shelley
Team Roberts - Haydn Ball



Dates for the Diary

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE THAT WE ARE BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. CHILDREN ARE NOW BACK TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 5 JAN 2012.

- **Friday 2 December 2011** - Years 3 & 4
Trip to Cadbury World
- **Friday 2 December 2011** - Year 6 Trip
to Red Point Climbing Centre.
- **Wednesday 7 December 2011** -
Children's Christmas Lunch during school
and School Christmas Fayre after
school.
- **Thursday 8 December 2011** -
Reception & Nursery Inspire Workshop
(details to follow)
- **Friday 9 December 2011** - Year 1 & 2
Trip to Santa Safari
- **Mon & Tues 12 & 13 December 2011** -
Christmas Productions (details to follow)
- **Wednesday 14 December 2011** -
Reception trip to Conkers.
- **Friday 16 December 2011** - Class
Christmas parties and break up for the
Christmas holidays
- **Christmas Holidays** - Mon 19 Dec - Tues
4 Jan 2012 (Children back to school on
Thurs 5 Jan 12)

Children in Need



Next week we will be taking part in Children in Need. Pudsey Bear biscuits will be on sale for your children to buy on the relevant days below at 25p per biscuit.

Tuesday - EYFS (Nursery & Reception)

Wednesday - Key Stage 1

Thursday - Key Stage 2

Friday - Everyone if any are left over from the previous days.

Also for Children in Need, Megan Brown from Year 6 will be selling raffle tickets everyday next week to win a Teddy Bear. Tickets will be sold at 50p each.

Cake Raffle



May we remind you that we run a cake raffle every Thursday in assembly to raise funds for the "Friends of New Hall". The money then goes towards gifts or events for the children in school. A raffle ticket is 50p a ticket and the money should be handed to the class teacher by Wednesday morning at the latest.

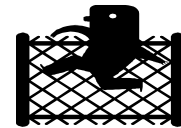


Newspaper Headlines

Well done Daniel & Poppy Bradbury for having your photograph in the Birmingham Evening Mail with your Halloween outfits on.

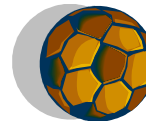
Parents in school

As always there are plenty of opportunities for you to come into school this half term. As always we invite you to parent lunches (1 per year), Inspire workshops (2 per year), class assemblies (1 per year) as well as the Christmas productions. Please let us know if there are any further experiences that you feel we could invite you to as the year progresses.



Climbing Fences

We have had several reports that parents are allowing their children to climb on railings before and after school. Please can we remind parents that pupils are their responsibility whilst in their care and should be reminded that climbing on or over walls and railings is a serious matter.



Sports News

Football Results

New Hall played Minworth school away on Friday 21 October and the score was (2-2)...Well done!

On the 21 November 2011, The Rotary Football Competition will be held at Sutton Town FC. Further information to follow.

