



Harvey Road School News

Newsletter 5

20 November 2020

Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have recently received a Headteacher's award.

Year 6 – Lilly, Charlie, Umme Aiman

Year 5 – Kayla, Theo

Year 2 – Elijah, Ben, William, Martha, Libby, Caleb

Christmas lunch

There is still time to order your child's Christmas lunch. Mrs Tatham has prepared a tasty menu of Roast Turkey or Feta, Spinach and Cranberry Roulade with all the trimmings followed by Chocolate Krispie Cake. Orders need to be placed via Parentmail by Wednesday 2 December.

End of term collection times

As previously advised the school will finish early on the last day of term to bring us in line with other local schools. Due to the staggered end to the day, classes will finish as follows:

1.30pm – class 1, 4, 6

1.40pm – Reception, classes 2, 3, 5

For those children who attend afternoon nursery you can either collect your child at 1.25pm with siblings or at the end of the normal session at 3.05pm. After school club will run from 1.20-6pm, but places must be pre-booked.

School meal price increase

From January 2021, the price of a school meal is being increased by Harrison Catering to £2.40. The menu for the new term should be on Parentmail by the end of the month, please ensure you have ordered meals for the first week back 7 days in advance.



We've been having lots of fun in our Explorers session this term!



Doing our bit to prevent the spread of Covid-19

I am very aware that several schools in the local area are now dealing with positive covid cases in both staff and pupils. Classes and bubbles have been closed and children sent home to self-isolate. This sad fact should only strengthen our resolve to persevere with our rigorous practices to try and prevent an outbreak in the school. On the playground, children must stay with their adult first thing in the morning until the class teacher is ready to receive them and please arrive on site no more than 5 minutes before the class starts/finishes.

Recent research in Hertfordshire shows that only 20% of people are following self-isolation and distancing practices. Hertfordshire County Council have recently published the following document that is on their website outlining when and how long people need to self-isolate for. This can be found at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/selfisolatingguide

Police update for parents and carers

Hertfordshire Police have asked me to share an update with parents and carers about sticking to restrictions during school drop off and pick up:

Police have received reports of lack of social distancing and complacency around face coverings at school drop off and pick up times. We all have a responsibility to take steps in helping reduce the spread of coronavirus. With this in mind, all families are required (unless exempt) to adhere to the following points to ensure a safe arrival and departure at school for all involved:

- Only one parent/guardian should drop off and pick up their child/children to reduce numbers outside school
- Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household
- Make good use of all available entry and exit points to the school site to avoid bottleneck
- Refrain from lengthy face-to-face conversation with staff or other families; use digital communication methods during lockdown
- Go straight home after dropping and/or collecting your child/children

Kind regards
N Rowlands
Headteacher

PTA News

Raffle Donations

A reminder that any raffle donations can be handed in at drop off on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Please leave on the table outside the office for the PTA to collect.

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 – New or unused small toys or adult gifts

Year 2 - Food donations such as biscuits, crackers, jams, chutneys etc

Year 3 – Chocolates or sweets

Year 4 – A bottle of something!

Years 5 & 6 – Small cash donations (which we can convert to vouchers)

Amazon Smile

Don't forget to set up your Amazon Smile if you are shopping over the Black Friday weekend. It's easy to do and a simple way for the PTA to raise money for the school.

If you need a reminder on how to set up your Amazon Smile please ask your class rep for the instructions.