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NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Dear Parents /Carers,

SCHOOL CLOSED

Hillcrest Primary School will be closed for the Easter Break between Thursday 28th March and Friday 12th April (inclusive). School reopens at the usual time on Monday 15th April.

Goodbye

It is with much sadness that we say goodbye to our EYFS Lead, Mrs Oram, who leaves Hillcrest today. We wish her well for the future.

Suns Class will be jointly taught by Miss Hancox and Mrs Tempestini throughout the Summer Term with Miss Hancox retaining her class teacher role within Meteors on a Thursday and Friday.

Year 6 SATs

The Key Stage 2 SATs exams for the Year 6 pupils take place during the week beginning 13th May. Could all Year 6 parents be aware that attendance throughout the course of this week is vital and that there should be no absence for any other reason than illness.

Where a child is off sick through illness, it is essential that the school are made aware as early as possible on the day so that the tests can be rescheduled for another day with the child taking any tests missed upon their return to school.

We would also urge full attendance at school between the start of the Summer Term and the week of the tests to ensure that the children receive as much tuition as possible ahead of the tests. Therefore, no absence will be authorised during this period for any reason.

Early Notice of Sports Day Dates

Because we know that some parents like to plan time off from work in order to attend their children's Sports Days, we are releasing the dates for each event below...

EYFS Sports Day	Thursday 27 th June	10am
Key Stage 1 Sports Day	Thursday 4 th July	10am
Key Stage 2 Sports Day	Friday 5 th July	9.45am

Please note that in the event of bad weather, we have set aside reserve dates which are Thursday 4th July, 1.30pm for EYFS; Thursday 11th July, 10am for KS1 and Friday 12th July, 9.45am for KS2.

Drop-In Mornings

The classroom drop-in mornings for the Summer Term will take place between 8.45 and 8.55am on the following dates...

Wednesday 1st May
Wednesday 22nd May
Wednesday 26th June
Wednesday 10th July

Nut-Free School

We wanted to remind parents that we are a Nut-Free School and that parents should ensure that their children are not coming to school with snacks or lunch boxes that contain products containing traces of nut.

Please note that this includes Nutella. We have had incidents this year where we have either had to take Nutella sandwiches away from a child or sanitise a whole room after a child has been found eating them to ensure that children with severe allergic reactions to nuts are safe.

Attendance Matters

Lateness – If a child misses the register at 8.55am but arrives shortly afterwards, they are marked as being present but 'late' right up until 9.25am. However, children arriving after 9.25am with no valid reason will receive an unauthorised absence in the register for the morning even though they have eventually turned up for school. Please don't let lateness become a habit as every minute of schooling missed really counts over the course of a year.

Class	Target for March	ACTUAL FOR MARCH	Target for April
Moons	96%	94.50%	96%
Suns	96%	93.37%	96%
Meteors	96%	96.53%	97%
Nebulas	96%	97.24%	98%
Comets	96%	91.71%	96%
Planets	96.50%	94.47%	96%
Mercury	97%	94.29%	96%
Pluto	96%	97.79%	98.50%
Mars	96%	91.92%	96%
Saturn	96.50%	95.17%	96%
Europa	96%	88.57%	96%
Jupiter	96%	86.94%	96%
Venus	96%	95.94%	96%
Earth	96%	94.29%	96%
Neptune	96%	94.10%	96%
Proteus	96%	88.30%	96%

Congratulations to Meteors and Nebulas Class in Year 1 and Pluto in Year 3 for beating your attendance target for the month of March. A huge well done to Pluto in Year 3 for being the best attended class in the school with a figure of 97.79%.

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