



Headteacher's Newsletter

October 2017 ISSUE 1

Dear Parents and Carers

We are well into the swing of the new term and the children have settled in well into their new classes.



Reminder

HALF TERM 23RD—27TH OCTOBER
19/10/17 DIWALI DRESS UP DAY

Mrs M. Bringan (Head Teacher)

% ATTENDANCE FIGURES

25th September - 6th October 2017

Cedar	96.94%
Larch	91.60%
Birch	95.52%
Spruce	96.80%
Beech	92.35%
Willow	91.89%
Elm	96.15%
Pine	96.89%
Toucan	96.43%
Peacock	95.52%
Kingfisher	91.07%
Flamingo	95.00%
Whole School Total	94.29%

For a child to learn it is key that they attend school regularly. The government expects all primary school pupils to have at least 95% attendance. Well done to Reception Class **Cedar** for the highest attendance—keep up the good work!

Celebrating Reading



In the last newsletter we said a big well done to those children who had brought in their certificates after completing the library's Big Summer Reading Challenge. We have since had some more children bring in their certificates so would like to say well done to:

Liam L, Louay S, Mohammad HA, Yara D, Anya D, Brandon C, Christie W

Each child who handed in their certificate will be presented with a £5 book token to further encourage their reading.

Year 2 Parent Consultations

9th, 10th, 12th & 13th October at 8:30-8:50am.

9th, 10th, 12th & 13th October at 3:00-3:40pm.

18th October at 3:40-5:30pm.

Teachers will be putting out appointment sheets for you to sign up for an appointment.

Year 1 Parent Consultations

These will be taking place from **16th October-20th October**. Each class will be receiving a letter to tell them the dates their consultations will be taking place.

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Flu Immunisations by School nurses

Flu immunisations for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will take place on **Thursday 2nd November**. Please return your child's completed permission slip to their class teacher as soon as possible.

Individual Photos



Individual photos will be taking place on **Tuesday 17th October**

ADMISSIONS

Applying for Primary School

For children due to start Reception in September 2018, you must apply for a Primary School place by **15th January 2018**.

Applications should be made online at

www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Hillingdon Council are holding information sessions for Primary admissions on Wednesday 8th November and Tuesday 5th December.

Places to these sessions must be booked online via www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary

Applying for Junior School

For children due to start Junior School in September 2018, you must apply for a Junior School place by **15th January 2018**.

Applications should be made online at

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Data Collection Forms

Thank you to those who have returned the completed and signed data collection forms. If you have not done so could you please **return the form to the main school office as soon as possible**. If you have misplaced your data collection form then please go in to the main school office who will be able to provide to with a new one.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to all of those families who made donations for our Harvest Festival, they have been gratefully received by the Hillingdon Foodbank. Reverend Andrew hosted special Harvest Festival assemblies for KS1, thank you to all of those who were able to attend these assemblies.



It is always sad when we have to say goodbye to members of our staff. This half term we are saying goodbye to 3 members of staff.

Dawn Scanlon has been a part of our school for a long time and will be moving on to start a new career. Sam Blake, who is our teaching assistant in Flamingo class, will be leaving us to start a new job elsewhere. Lisa King, one of our dinner ladies, will also be leaving us.

I would like to wish them all the best of luck for the future.



The Parents' Association would like to thank everyone who attended their MacMillan Coffee Morning and Annual General Meeting and who volunteered to be part of the Parents' Association this year. The committee this year is:

Chair	Hannah Radley
Vice Chair	Offeibea Akato
Secretary	Sandra Lange
Assistant Secretary	Ionela Rebege
Treasurer	Korkor Charway

The next event planned is the **Autumn Bake Sale** on **Wednesday 18th October**. They will be in need of donations of cakes on the day to sell.

Lunch Menu

Week of 9th October

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Sausages with mash and onion gravy Sage and Onion Sausages with mash and onion gravy Vegetable Goulash with Rice Apple Crumble with Custard	Lamb Bolognaise with Spaghetti Vegetarian Bolognaise with Spaghetti Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake with New Potatoes Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Jerk Chicken with Rice Singapore Noodles Chickpea & potato Curry with Naan Bread Jelly & Fruit	Shepherd's Pie Vegetable Shepherdess Pie Red Bean & Sweet Potato Stew with Rice Pear & Ginger Cake with Custard	Fish Finger with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips Cheese & Sweetcorn Frittata with Chips Fruity Friday: Selection of Fresh Fruit with Greek Yoghurt

Please contact ann.doherty@harrisoncatering.co.uk with any feedback regarding lunches.

Health

Mrs Castle-Mason, our Welfare Officer and our team of First Aiders are available to ensure the care and safety of your child while they are at school.

- Please inform us of any condition relating to your child (allergies, asthma, illness or injury etc) which may affect their wellbeing at school. In the event of food intolerances we ask that medical proof is provided that we can share with our caterers.
- **Asthma** – The NHS insist that 2 inhalers and spacers prescribed for your child are kept in school (one for the medical room and one for the classroom). If your child attends any after school clubs, the group leaders also need to be informed and your child should have an additional inhaler. Please ensure that the spacers are sent in along with the inhalers to ensure that the medicine can be administered correctly.
- Medication can be administered at school provided it is doctor prescribed, with the medication clearly labeled by a pharmacist with your child's name. A consent form needs to be completed by the parent.



School Premises

Our entrance gates are open between **8.35am-9.00am** and **3.20pm-3.50pm**. Please allow yourself time to exit the school premises before the gates are due to close.

We have a one way system operating in reception - on arrival please use the gate beside the bungalow and on departure, please exit via the gate near the nursery. This applies to when you are arriving in the morning and when you are coming to collect your child at the end of the day.

May I remind parents that the car park is for the use of staff and their visitors only. This includes collecting for after school clubs or activities. Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.

Hygiene

Our Premises Team work tirelessly to maintain our school site and we would appreciate your support in respecting the school grounds by not smoking, spitting or littering within the school gates. Dogs should not be brought onto the premises or foul the pavements. Incidents where owners have failed to 'scoop the poop' can be reported to the Council's Anti social behaviour team on 01895 556000.