



Hallam Fields News

Headteacher Updates

Friday 8th September

Welcome Back: We have had a fantastic start to the academic year! The children are happy and settling in well with their new teachers. Rabbits Class managed to spend a whole day with us today and are learning the new routines of school life. The children are keen and eager to learn and have begun their new topics. Please do read the Curriculum Overviews that we have emailed to all parents so that you are aware of what your child is learning this term.

Welcome Classroom Meetings– We will be holding welcome classroom meetings next week when you will be invited to come into your child's classroom to see where they sit and to find out a little more about expectations for the class such as reading systems and PE days. If you would like to join us for this informal session, please see the dates below. The teacher will dismiss all of the children at the end of the day. Parents who wish to stay will then be invited back into the classroom. The teacher will share a 10-minute presentation with you.

Tuesday 12th Sept -3:25pm- Year 1 and 2

Thursday 14th Sept -3:25pm - Year 3 and 4

Friday 15th September-3:25pm- Year 5 and 6

Ambassadors: This week, class teachers will be asking children to apply for ambassador roles if they are interested in being an ECO, Curriculum or Outdoor Ambassador. Your child will have discussed these roles with their teacher. The children have been asked to write their letters of interest and hand them in to teachers on Monday 11th of September. The class will then vote to choose their ambassadors- Eco Ambassadors for years 1 to 6: Curriculum Ambassadors for Years 5 and 6: Outdoor Ambassadors for years 1 to 6.

Attendance: Hallam Fields Primary School is committed to working with pupils and parents/carers to achieve an attendance target of 96%. Research shows that even a few days of absence can have a negative impact on a pupil's progress and performance. If your child is absent, please do contact the office via email or call after 8am to inform us. If your child has a medical appointment, please provide evidence of this. This will help us to keep your child's attendance record up to date and apply the absence codes correctly.

New Staff: Please join us in welcoming our new staff to Hallam Fields. Miss McGreal in Year 1, Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Bathia in Year 5, Miss Beaumont in Year 6 and Miss Watchorn in Year 6.

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Healthy Eating: Please send your child to school with a water bottle that is filled with water. We care about our pupil's health and wellbeing so we will continue to promote water as the best option and help pupils understand the importance of healthy drink choices and the benefits of consuming water. We also encourage pupils to make healthy choices and bring healthy food and snacks to school, such as fruit and vegetables, reducing the number of sugary snacks they consume.

Beehive: Please update your child's permissions on Beehive so that we know what your preferences are with regards to media permissions.

Communication: We have a school calendar on our website to inform you of any upcoming events - <https://www.hallamfields.org.uk/news-events/events/>. We also use Twitter to share photos of the children's learning in school. EYFS and Year 1 classes will be sharing their news and learning via the Tapestry platform.

Operation Encompass School: We are an Operation Encompass school. Operation Encompass ensures that there is a simple telephone call or notification to a school's trained Designated Safeguarding Lead /Officer prior to the start of the next school day after an incident of domestic abuse when police have attended a home where there are children related to either of the adult parties involved.

I endeavour to be available and on the playgrounds at the beginning and end of the day whenever possible. Please do come and see me regarding any concerns or queries that you may have or simply to say hello!

Best wishes

Mrs. Sultana

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