



8th Sept 2023

THIS HALF TERM OUR VALUE IS RESPECT

Note from Mrs Hurworth

Welcome back, I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable summer break. I am delighted that the children have returned to school so positively, eager to learn and ready to face the challenges ahead of them.

It has been a pleasure to meet and talk to many of the children and family members this week; thank you for making me feel so welcome. To those of you that I have not yet met, I look forward to speaking with you in the near future. We will be holding a Parent Information Evening from 5pm on Wednesday 20th September, where you will have a chance to meet me and members of the team. Please put this date in your diary, it would be good to see you.

We have taken the opportunity this week, both in assemblies and in lesson time, to remind the children of our expectations for behaviour in and around the school. A shared understanding of daily routines and expectations provides the whole school community with a clear framework in which to operate to ensure that the school remains a calm, happy and enjoyable place to learn. I am pleased to share that the children have been trying really hard to be the best that they can be this week, showing wonderful manners and being a positive role model for the new children in Kingfisher class.

The weather continues to be unseasonably warm, so I would urge you to consider this when dressing your children in the morning. Being too hot can be extremely uncomfortable and a significant distraction for the child. Please ensure they have a sunhat and a water bottle in school to help them to keep cool when temperatures are high.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Helen Hurworth

CLUBS

Tuesday
Hockey Club (Mrs Cooke)
3:15pm to 4:15pm
COMING SOON!!!

Wednesday
Multi Sports Club
R—Y2
3:15pm to 4:15pm

Thursday
Multi Sports Club
Y3 —Y6
3:15pm to 4:15pm

Friday
KS2 Running Club (JS Sport & Education /Mrs Hurworth)
8am to 8.45am
Starting on Friday 15th September!

DIARY DATES

Parent Information Evening
5pm Wednesday 20th September

Half Term Holiday
23rd – 27th October

Last Day of Term
Wednesday 20th December

Support the school as you shop and earn cashback for yourself!

With spiralling costs it can be difficult to find ways to make savings, so I'm delighted to share with you a way that you can earn cashback on your shopping whilst raising money for the school at the same time.

Simply sign up by visiting myschoolfund.org and link yourself to Hauxton Primary School. It's as easy as that! Then every time that you shop at Sainsbury's or Argos you will earn 2% cashback and the school will receive 1% cashback. To use the words of a very famous supermarket 'every little helps!' Please sign up if you can.

“Being the best we can be.”

Attendance Matters

Why is regular attendance so important?

Being around teachers and friends in a school or college environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

Government data also shows that in 2019, primary school children in Key Stage 2 who didn't achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths missed on average four more days per school year than those whose performance exceeded the expected standard.

Data from 2019 shows that 84% of Key Stage 2 pupils who had 100% attendance achieved the expected standard, compared to 40% of pupils who were persistently absent across the key stage.

Data source: <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/05/18/school-attendance-important-risks-missing-day/>

Learning at Hauxton begins at 8.55am. All teachers set the children work to complete during registration (usually a maths or English based task) so I would ask you to please ensure that your child is in the classroom by 8.55am each morning. We know from experience that children arriving late can find it very unsettling and this impact their mood for long periods of time, in some cases the whole morning. We really appreciate you working with us to ensure that lost learning time is kept to a minimum. Following the guidance from the Local Authority children who arrive in school between 8.55am and 9.05am will be marked as late on the register and arrivals after 9.05am will be marked as absent for the morning period.

A few reminders:

Uniform: Thank you for ensuring that your child is following our expectations for uniform, they all look really smart this week.

On designated PE days, children are asked to come to school in their PE kit, to maximise their learning time and to reduce lost property. (White t-shirt, black shorts or joggers and trainers). On non-PE days, children should be wearing tailored skirts, shorts or trousers, not leggings (unless these are underneath a dress or skirt) or joggers. If you have any difficulties obtaining appropriate uniform, please do speak to the class teacher or Mrs Hurworth, in confidence.

Class Newsletters will be sent out next Friday (15th).

Boom Reader: Please remember to record, or encourage your child to record, any home reading on Boom Reader.

Homework: Homework will start next week and will be discussed at the Parent Information meeting. Please support your child to attempt any home learning provided by the class teacher.

Absence: If your child is unwell, please email or call the office as soon as you can so that this can be recorded on the register.. If the illness continues for more than one day, please ensure that you continue to update us on each subsequent day of the absence..

School Vacancies

Midday Supervisor

Are you interested in joining a happy, caring and supportive team who work hard to ensure that the children have a safe, happy and enjoyable lunchtime experience?

If so, we would love to hear from you.

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor to work from 12.00 noon to 1.15pm from Monday to Friday.

Application packs can be downloaded from the school website or picked up from the School Office.

Teacher Tip #1:

When my children were young they used to go through spells of refusing to read their school reading book with me at home. Going into battle with them every night would leave me feeling stressed and them tearful. If any of this sounds familiar try not to worry, in my experience it passes quickly. In the meantime, take the pressure off by trying these different strategies: you read a page/they read a page or you read the book to them.