Huxley CE Primary School Newsletter





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Summer days...

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to the last term of the academic year. What an action packed one it will be too!

Lots of events on this term so a very exciting time for the children.

This term we welcome our new starters for some stay and play events in Acorns. These are on Thursday mornings. On the 29th I have organized a special treat for our current reception and new reception children and families. We will be having The Story Tent in school. If you are one of current reception parents you can attend between 9.15-10.30 and be with your child for this lovely event. If you are unable to make it please do not worry your child will still be taking part! If you are one of our new reception parents you will attend all morning from 8.45 –11.45. These transition events work as you want them to so if you want to come with your child for the first one or two sessions and then try to leave them for a short while to see how they are, you can, but please attend the first one at least so we can discuss the transition individually. The first two weeks of term in September will also allow for some transition time but we will discuss this with you when you come into school next week.

Next week is the onsite residential for year 6 children. A very exciting event. It does mean that the school field is being used from Wednesday after school right up to Thursday after school. Please do not walk around the back of school on pick up as there will be equipment being set up or taken down etc. The children have been briefed yesterday and know which areas they can go into or not but we will remind them next week when it is all set up.

Next week we have our eggs and incubator arriving and the chicks are due to hatch at any point next week. Just so you are aware- as I know there are strong opinions on school hatched eggs... the ones from HensForHire (the hen company that we use) are chicks that go back to the farm and are looked after there and eventually become school hens too. This is the same for the cockerels-the males return to the farm and are cared for after hatching so please do not worry about the hen welfare. This is why I chose this company as they are simply wonderful with hens. The owner is fantastic and we have great links with her now. She is coming in to visit the children later in the term too.

The reading caravan opened this week and the children's reaction was priceless! Such excitement and joy! It really is a lovely space and we are so lucky to have it. It has already been used for reading intervention sessions, play therapist sessions, group readers and lots of chilled read for pleasure!

Please see the diary dates box for lots of dates of events coming up. Sports day is now confirmed for that date and I would like to do a repeat of last year where we had a small number of stalls and games. This year however I would like the help of our new to be Friends of Huxley group. I had 8 replies of interest for this so if you are still interested in helping out or want to help just for this event I am holding a coffee morning on 20th June after drop off where we can talk through plans. I am doing the Duck Race and organizing the Egg Throwing Competition again but I have some ideas of possible stalls/games that parents may want to help run. You may also have your own ideas. I would love to hear from you! Then, come September, I am hoping to launch the Friends of Huxley officially!

DIARY DATES 2023

14TH AND 15TH JUNE –ONSITE RESIDENTIAL –Y6 ONLY

15TH June – Stay and play for New starters (Reception 23-24) 8.45-11.45

22nd June- Stay and play for New starters (Reception 23-24) 8.45-11.45

22nd June- 2pm- Trauma Informed Practice session

26th June- School reports out

28th June SENCo Coffee Morning

29th June- Current and new Reception children and parents event- Story Tents! 8.45-11.45 for new parents 9.15-10.30 for current Reception Parents.

6th July -SPORTS DAY and family fun! New reception starters welcome

12th July- Cathedral Leavers event (pupils only)

12th July- Wellbeing Event for all children (don't want to ruin the surprise with too much detail!)

13th July- Ukrainian Dance Workshops

13th July Stay and play for New starters (Reception 23-24) 8.45-11.45

19th July -LEAVERS assembly- all welcome!

20th- Last day of summer term for flexi's

21st July- Last day of summer term for full time pupils 2pm finish

I would like to organize a family fun night, Selection box Bingo, Children's Disco/film nights just to name a few.

I know Ella's mum is currently organising a Huxley Camp for the summer (not at school!). If you are interested in joining this please catch her on the school gate or through your group contacts. Sounds like you will all have lots of fun!

The 19th July 1.15pm will be our Leavers assembly. For those who attended this last year, you will remember it was a wonderful celebration and a real 'tear-jerker' so tissues are advised! <u>All parents</u> (not just year 6) are welcome as I really want to give them a really good 'send-off' with the support of all of our Huxley family! I do hope you can attend. Please can you email admin@huxleyprimary.cheshire.sch.uk with numbers of people attending so we can be prepared with enough seating and refreshments etc but also so we can ensure safety in the hall.

This week saw the return of our Huxley hens- Coco and Sparkle. A huge thanks to Andy for sorting the new enclosure for the children to sit with the hens at lunchtimes (even though they did escape twice – they were very good and didn't run away!) With some added mesh today they loved their new little space. The children are getting much more confident in handling the hens and know how to look after them. Children have their own gloves to help clean the coop out and they check for eggs, water levels and food each day! Today's Forest Friday group designed activities for the hens which included musical instruments, ramps and wheels to play on!

On Tuesday 22nd at 2pm I would like to invite you in to do a session on Trauma Informed Practice – this will be alongside my staff too as I feel it is important that we have a unified approach to this as a school community. We have PE coach and support staff in that afternoon to be with your children to enable everyone to be involved. It would be great to have as many of you there as we can.

Sorry for the very long newsletter this time but lots of information to share with you. Please do not hesitate to catch me on the playground in the mornings/afternoons if you need any further information on any of the upcoming events.

Showbie Spotlight will return in newsletters as of next week!

Have a wonderful weekend! Stay safe in this glorious sunshine! Many thanks

Mrs Gourley





