

Huxley CE Primary School Welcome Back Letter

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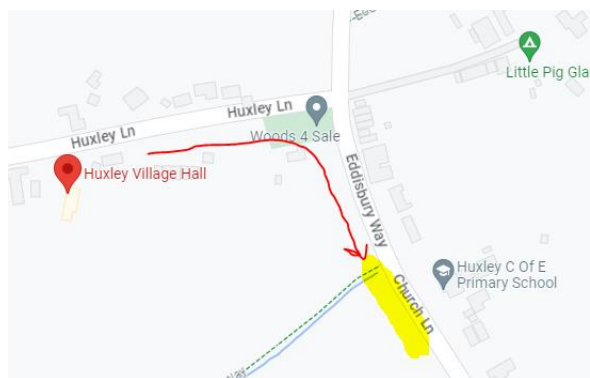


Welcome Back!

I hope you have all had a wonderful break and enjoyed some quality family time. Just a quick welcome back letter with some reminders and information that our new parents may find useful.

Morning drop offs-

Unfortunately, we have had a major leak outside of school this morning and the water was off. This has now been sorted so we are open tomorrow however it has left us with no parking spaces. There are traffic lights, cones, and the whole area has been cordoned off. We have, with the help of our wonderful community, been able to gain use of the village hall car park. Please do not attempt to drop off outside of school- with the traffic controls in place it will cause problems and will not be safe. The village hall is just around the corner and there are footpaths -you will just need to cross at the top. Please ensure that every child is accompanied as they walk down to school. I have spoken to the water board and they have said that they hope for the work to be completed in the next few days. We have the use of the car park until the end of the week to make sure that we are covered and that our children are safe. I will update you when I am able to on this. The disabled space is still available for use so if you are a blue badge holder just be mindful that the traffic lights are set up nearby, so be careful as you back out.



As discussed in the previous term we have brought forward our gate opening time to allow for a quicker transition into school. Gates open from 8.30am-8.45am and staff will be taking their class in so that they are in school and ready to start at 8.45. You are more than welcome to come on to the front playground from 8.30am but you must remain with your child until the teacher has come out to collect them.

Water bottles, suncream, sunhats, wellies

It is going to be a hot week this week so just a reminder to bring these items in school. Please also bring your wellies back to school. Make sure the wellies have names in please and hand them on the racks (Acorns Right side of the children's door, Oaks Left side of the door as you approach it)

Uniform

Thank you to those of you that gave us preloved uniform at the end of term. If you have come across more uniform that you no longer use and would like to donate then please do bring them in. If you require any items preloved or new, then please come to the office and we can help you with that. Please remember that the children should not be wearing football kits on PE days.

Junk modelling

Both classes are in need of junk modelling materials. In Oaks specifically show boxes or egg boxes for her DT topic.

Dinners and snacks

The new dinner options are displayed at the front of school in the noticeboard. Please keep checking as we try to post any changes on there. Payment is via the school money app. New reception children will get their log in's for this during this week but are able to have dinners from day 1. Children are to bring in a healthy snack for break time. We are still a **NUT FREE** school until further notice.

Showbie

New children will be provided with their log ins as soon as these are made available to us. Content is being added all of the time and I will be running another Showbie coffee morning soon and will resend the guide to Showbie that we used last year to get you started. Current parents- You will notice that your child's old folders have been archived. Please do not worry they have not been deleted, just archived so that you are not overwhelmed with folders when you log in. Teachers are still able to access last year's work.

Curriculum

We are now on Cycle B plans- these are on Showbie and on our website.

Welcome!

We have a welcome to the world message for baby Dicken's who was born on September 1st. I am sure many of you saw the post on our Facebook page. Our huge congratulations go out to Mr and Mrs Dickens and their daughter on their new arrival.

Welcome to Mrs Fearnley- who some of you met in those last few weeks of term. Mrs Fearnley will be teaching the Acorns class whilst Mrs Dickens is on maternity leave. She already feels very much part of the team! We look forward to working with you!

Welcome to our new children! We have four wonderful reception children joining us and some new children in Oaks class too. We have a few families coming to visit over the next few weeks- I am sure you will all give them a very warm welcome.

Dates

Over the summer, I have pulled together a key dates diary for the year. This will be shared with you along with the Friday newsletter this week. I will continue to keep the diary updates on the weekly newsletter but I am hoping that this may help you to forward-plan for events happening in school.

Office

Please be mindful that this first week is incredibly busy for Miss Lloyd and myself at the front desk. If your query can be via email please do so, otherwise we thank you for your patience if you need to wait a short while. The first week in any school is always very busy in terms of admin so we appreciate your understanding with this. Please can we also ask that people avoid sitting or congregating in the entrance area. Often Miss Lloyd needs to make confidential calls or attend online meetings which are often are being disturbed. For our new parents- there is a communications flow chart on our website that helps guide you to the right person so your queries can be answered as quickly and efficiently as possible. Again we appreciate your understanding on this matter.

Have a wonderful evening and we look forward to seeing you all tomorrow!

Mrs Gourley

