

## **Hazeldown Primary School**

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Friday 23rd March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many thanks for your patience and support during the recent bouts of snow. It is unfortunate that we had to take the decision to close the school but, given the unusual circumstances, it was in the best interests of keeping everyone safe.

Your child's school report will be sent home on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, prior to Parents' Evenings next week. There will be a response sheet included with the report. We would be grateful if you could complete these and return them to school on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> so that teachers can read through them and best prepare for your Parents' Evening appointment. The 'next steps' sections on the reports are really important and will be a focus for discussion with you. The reason we write our reports at this time of year is so that the responsibility for making sure the 'next steps' are undertaken alongside your child lies with the teacher who wrote your child's report. This means that these points are easier to focus on together, are already underway and will therefore have more success than if they were left over the summer break with a move to a new class.

We look forward to seeing you next week at Parents' Evenings and trust that you will find them supportive and informative. Please remember that appointments during the evenings are only ten minutes – if you feel that you need longer, please contact the class teacher to arrange to meet at another time. The teaching team work hard to keep appointments running to time but struggle when a parent 'overruns' their allocated time. Please remember that many people have rushed from work to make their appointment time and it is really frustrating if they then find we are running late due to an over-running appointment earlier in the evening.

The reports also include attendance figures, with a judgement alongside. The expectation has been raised slightly this year with 98% attendance or above being judged as 'Good', between 96 and 98% being judged as 'Satisfactory' and below 96% as 'Unsatisfactory'. Similarly, four or more late marks in the morning is also 'Unsatisfactory'. Whilst attendance at Hazeldown is good overall, there has been a slight dip lately, which we need to re-dress. Please remember that a figure of 96% attendance means they have missed 4% of their time in school, which equates to lost learning time. It is also still the case that time out of school during term time will only be authorised with good reason. Holidays should not be taken in term time and we will continue to follow due process, as DCC require, in terms of reporting absence with the subsequent fines being issued by them.











Many thanks for the time taken to complete the questionnaires giving your views on the school. We will be collating the information we get from this and reviewing any actions we need to take to improve certain areas. We will report back on the outcomes in a future newsletter. We trust that if you recorded that you disagree with a particular statement, that you had already taken up our often repeated and on-going offer to come in and talk to us about concerns. You will therefore have raised the issue with either the Classteacher, Team Leaders or the Senior Leadership Team before now. If you haven't already raised it, please make sure that you do so during Parents' Evening. As always, we would much rather know about concerns and be able to address them at the time than only find out about them long after the event. Thank-you.

Yours sincerely



Stuart Ludford Headteacher

### HAZELDOWN SCHOOL

# YOUR DESIGNATED CHILD PROTECTION OFFICERS ARE:



STUART LUDFORD



LEE GOODENOUGH



CHRISTOPHER TRIBBLE



MAXINE HART



KIRSTY PRENTICE

AS DESIGNATED CHILD PROTECTION
OFFICERS WE HAVE A DUTY TO PASS ON
ANY CONCERNS

THE MULTI AGENCY SAFEGUARDING HUB (MASH)
CAN BE CONTACTED ON

0345 155 1071

#### SCHOOL MEALS —

The price of school meals will increase with effect from Tuesday 17th April to £2.70 per meal.

All meals should be paid in advance using the online School Money system. Should you have any problems with the online systems then please contact the school reception.

#### **REMINDER -**

Please do not let your children, either school age or younger, play on the Foundation Stage climbing equipment before or after school. This is unsupervised at this time and is not for general use.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **REMINDER -**

Please remember that when it is raining, it doesn't mean that children can come in through the front door – they should continue to use the normal doors they use every day.

Thank-you.

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DATES TO REMEMBER	
Year 3 Celebration Event	Monday 26th March 2018 - 2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.
Parents Evening	Tuesday 27th March 2018 - 3.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Year 4 Celebration Event	Wednesday 28th March 2018 - 2.15 p.m.to 3.00p.m.
Parents Evening	Thursday 29th March 2018 - 3.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Last Day Spring Term 2018	Thursday 29th March 2018
First Day of Summer Term 2018	Tuesday 17th April 2018
Year 4 Residential to Heatree House	Wednesday 25th to Friday 27th April 2018
Bank Holiday	Monday 7th May 2018
Yr 5 Residential to Colehayes	Monday 21st May 2018 to Wednesday 23rd May 2018
Summer Half Term 2018	One week commencing Monday 28th May 2018
Sports Day	Wednesday 6th June 2018
Reserve Sports Day	Thursday 7th June 2018
Year 3 Residential to Escot	Tuesday 26th June 2018 to Wednesday 27th June 2018
PTA Summer Fayre	Friday 29th June 2018 - 3.15 pm - 6.00 p.m.
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	Thursday 12th July 2018
iCan too!, Princess Theatre Torquay	Friday 13th July 2018
Last Day of Summer Term 2018	Wednesday 25th July 2018
First Day of Autumn Term 2018	Tuesday 4th September 2018
Autumn Half Term 2018	One week commencing Monday 22nd Oct 2018
Last Day of Autumn Term 2018	Friday 21st December 2018
First Day of Spring Term 2019	Tuesday 8th January 2019
Spring Half Term 2019	One week commencing Monday 18th Feb 2019
Last Day of Spring Term 2019	Friday 5th April 2019
First Day of Summer Term 2019	Wednesday 24th April 2019
May Day	Monday 6th May 2019
Summer Half Term 2019	One week commencing 27th May 2019
Last Day of Summer Term 2019	Friday 19th July 2019