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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 12th October 2018
Newsletter No: 6

Attendance w/beg: 8th October 2018
Whole School: 95.38%
Class of the week: 3RV 99.29% with
Well done!

3F: 96.67%	3LA: 94.07%	3RV: 99.62%
4A: 94.44%	4G: 94.29%	4PD: 94.83%
5H: 99.29%	5K: 93.85%	5P: 96.00%
6G: 97.14%	6LT: 94.48%	6W: 90.34%

Letters Home This Week

Ancient Greece Day Lower School only
Little Musketeers
Essex Police Safeguarding Letter (via email)
Final Liddington Arrangements

Upper School Curriculum

This week the children from year 5 and 6 have visited famous landmarks in London, supporting their learning in Geography. They travelled by coach, train and boat. They visited The London Eye, Buckingham Palace, Houses of Parliament and many, many more. The children's behaviour was exemplary and they came back exhausted, but with smiles on their faces.

London Trip

What a busy week in Upper School! All six classes visited our capital city this week on a sightseeing tour which included train, boat and underground travel. It was a pleasure to take our children to London, many people commented on their good behaviour and I'm sure the children have made some fond memories of their school trip. A special thank you for the many parent helpers who gave up their time in order for this trip to run smoothly and a special mention to Mrs Lowery and her help organising the Thames Clipper.

Week Beginning: 29th October 2018

School Dinners

Week 1



Lower School Curriculum

All of the children have been fully engaged in writing non-chronological reports about mythical creatures. It has been lovely to hear their fabulous ideas and to see how focussed they have been with this activity.

Open Morning

It was lovely to see so many Year 3 parents attending our first open morning of the year, on Tuesday. The classrooms were buzzing with productive noise and the feedback about these sessions were extremely positive;

Year 6 had an opportunity to work with their parents during open morning. It was lovely to see and hear parents participating in their maths and guided reading lessons. Thank you to all attended for both years 3 & 6.

The slides we discussed will be available on the website. Please take the time to complete the survey so we know what we need to plan for the next one.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/X7GLS7Q>

Upcoming Diary Dates

October

12 Last day of half term
29 Children return to school
29 Year 6 Residential Visit to PGL Liddington

November

6 Parents Evening 3.30 to 5.00 pm
7 Parents Evening 3.30 to 5.00 pm and 6.00 to 8.00 pm

December

3 Assessment Week
7 HJSA Disco
11 School Christmas Lunch
12 Lower School Production
13 Lower School Production
19 Last day of Autumn term

Parent Local Advisory Board members required

Hilltop Infant School and Hilltop Junior School Local Advisory board who work together are looking for parent members. This is an exciting time for both schools going forward. The board is made up of parents, staff, the Head of School, community members, and at times pupils. The Local Advisory Board (LAB) is the voice of the schools within the Trust and reports to the Board of Trustees.

Further information and details on how to apply will be provided after half term. Should you have any questions in the meantime, please email Katy Love, Clerk to the Trust at k.love@heartsacademy.uk

Dojos

Please please sign up to Class Dojo to see Dojo points, class stories and your child's portfolio.

All adults have been involved in awarding dojos to children for a variety of positive behaviour and Hearts Values.

Monster Dojo Results this Weeks:

Therin (Green) 1300

Findor (Red) 1080

Uffle (Yellow) 1016

Roclaw (Blue) 987

Parents Evening 6th & 7th November

May we remind parents that the booking system for Parents Evening has been opened and will close 2nd November 12pm. Thank you

Mobile Phones

May we please remind all parents your child must have their signed permission slip in place at school by the end of half term to enable them to bring their phone to school after half term. Thank you

Haircuts - At the beginning of the Spring Term 2019 we will be adding a new section to the uniform policy which includes sensible haircuts for pupils. Some pupils are coming to school with shaved sides and shapes cut in. We won't be allowing these haircuts from next year. We thought an early warning would help and give time for these to grow out ready for next year.

100% attendance this week

Please see attached the names of all children who had 100% attendance this week. Well done! Thank you to all the families who have supported their children to be in school every day.

Wanted Items

We would be grateful for any donations of equipment that could be used at playtime. We are also looking for any board games. Thank you

Age Appropriate Games

We are aware that children are playing games that are not age appropriate including Call of Duty, Splatoon2 and Fortnite. All games are given an age rating to protect your child from seeing inappropriate material. Children under the age deemed appropriate for the game should not be playing the game. If we are made aware of children playing inappropriate games, we will be dealing with this in accordance with safeguarding procedures and child protection.

Lunch Boxes

Can we please ask that you check your child's lunch box as we seem to have a number gone missing. Thank you

Pupil Council - We will be holding elections for pupil council Representatives after term if your child would like to stand for election they can use the longer half term to think about their manifesto and election campaign! Mrs Rattray is leading on this so please contact her via the office if you need more information.

Start of Day - Could we please kindly remind parents not to approach the teachers at classroom doors, any concerns regarding your children are to be made via the school office on a Parent Contact Form. Alternatively, the class teacher will be available on the school playground at the end of the day.

New Playground Equipment

Our new Trim Trail is now complete, the children are all looking forward to using this on their return after the half term.

Essex Police Safeguarding Letter

Please see the above letter on our website:-

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Mr Chapman's Challenge!

Mr Chapman is raising money for Movember, (mental health for men) and Abbies Army (following the sad loss of Olivia at Wickford C of E, he would be delighted if you would support him in raising money for these two very well deserving causes. Sponsor Forms are attached.

Half term

Have a wonderful half term. We look forward to seeing the pupils on Monday 29th October.

