

23rd July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Goodbye and Good luck: Today is the last day of the school year and we must say farewell to our year 6 children as they start new chapters of their lives. Whilst it is always sad to see people leave our school, every change is the start of a new journey. We know that our Year 6 children have all the skills they need to make that journey a successful one. We can't wait to see what you will achieve. Year 6. Good luck!

Leaving alongside Year 6 are Mrs Glorman and Mrs Dennis, who are also transitioning to the high school! We thank them both for their dedication to our school. We also say goodbye and good luck to Miss Biggin who has been a wonderful Reception teacher, and we wish Miss Bennett lots of happiness as she starts her maternity leave. Parents may be aware that Mrs Marron has been unwell and she has made the difficult decision not to return to Hatton Hill at the present time – we wish her a speedy recovery and all our best wishes.

Happy Retirement: We have said goodbye to two members of staff who have served our school community with complete dedication for decades and, as such, have even taught a number of our parents! Miss Eginton joined our school in 1995 and has taught across our infant department. Miss Eginton's gentle manner and kind nature will be very much missed by colleagues and children alike. Mrs Frazer joined our school in 1992 as Miss Coxsey, teaching in Year 4, 5 and 2 before becoming our deputy headteacher. As deputy, Mrs Frazer has been instrumental in creating a rich curriculum for our children and ensuring we maintain the highest standards. Mrs Frazer has also been a huge source of support to children, families and staff. She knows our children and school like the back of her hand and her absence will leave a hole in the fabric of our school for some time to come. I would like to thank both Miss Eginton and Mrs Frazer for their long service to Hatton Hill and wish them the happiest of retirements. It is testimony to our community that staff come and remain because it is a happy place to be.

**Welcome:** Change is part of the rich tapestry of life and in this spirt we will soon be welcoming Mrs Metcalfe, our new deputy; Mrs Callaghan, PPA teacher, and Mr Speed, premises manager.

**Return to School:** Children return to school on **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September at 8.55am.** Children will continue to enter school at 8.45am maintaining a settled start to the day. For the first few weeks our new Reception will follow their settling-in timetable (see overleaf).

Children should return to school in their **winter uniform** which is available from supermarkets and high street stores. VC Creative on Sonning Avenue and Paul's Place provide uniform with the school logo, but this is not compulsory. Here is a quick reminder:

#### Winter Uniform: Years 1 to 6:

- Blue sweatshirt or cardigan (available with logo)
- Pale blue shirt with tie or pale blue t-shirt (available with logo)
- Grey shorts, trousers, pinafore, culottes or skirt
- Grey socks or tights
- <u>Black shoes</u>. Please ensure that your child wears the correct shoes. Trainers <u>do not</u> form part of our school uniform. Some fashion brands are selling canvas shoes advertised as school shoes. They are simply not suitable for school. A helpful shoe guide is available on our website.

#### PE Kit:

- White or black t-shirt (available with logo)
- <u>Plain</u> black tracksuit top and bottoms (<u>no brand names</u>)
- Sports trainers (not Converse style as these are not safe for sport)
- Black PE shorts and black pumps (in drawstring bag to be kept in school)

### Winter Uniform: EYFS - Nursery and Reception:

- Blue sweatshirt (available with logo)
- Matching blue joggers (available from VC Creative and Paul's Place)
- Pale blue t-shirt (available with logo)
- Black shoes see above

#### PE Kit:

- Black pumps in drawstring bag to be kept in school
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Year 1 to 6 pupils should continue to wear their PE kit into school on PE days. Please check the timetable weekly to see which day your child has PE.

In addition, children should not wear jewellery or nail varnish in school. Children with pierced ears should wear small gold or silver studs. Hair should be neat with no overstated haircuts or accessories, and if hair is longer than shoulder length it must be tied back. Children only need a book bag and drawstring bag. **Rucksacks are not needed or permitted**.

Visitors often comment on the smartness of our children and we appreciate parents' efforts. The children look like a tranquil sea of blue when they are sat together in the hall and it gives us a sense of community and pride. It is lovely. We work hard to ensure that our uniform is both functional and affordable, however if you are struggling to meet the cost of uniform, please see Mrs Hickey or Mrs James in confidence.

To end the last newsletter of the year, I would like to say a massive thank you to our whole school community. Firstly, thank you to our children who bring us together as a community and make everyday a pleasure. Thank you to our parents and carers for your overwhelming support which helps ensure that your children have the best chance of fulfilling their potential. Thank you to my many colleagues who work with such determination to provide the very best environment and opportunities for our children. Thank you to Governors whose commitment provides support and challenge to enable our school to continually improve. Together, you ensure that Hatton Hill remains true to its motto of 'Achievement through Happy Learning' for all.

Have a restful summer and we look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Anna James Headteacher

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# Week Commencing: Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

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Monday

INSET DAY

Tuesday

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Wednesday

### FIRST DAY OF TERM – ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE IN FULL WINTER UNIFORM

09:30-11:30	Reception settling-in timetable	'Morning' Children 'Afternoon' Children	
12:30-14:30	Reception settling-in timetable		
Thursday			
09:15- 13:00	Reception settling-in timetable	All Children	
	Indoor PE lesson – remember shorts & pumps	Year 3	
	Indoor PE lesson – remember pumps!	Nursery	
	Outdoor PE lesson	Years 1 & 4	
13:30-15:30	Swimming		
Friday			
09:15 – 15:25	Reception settling-in timetable: full day	All Children	
	Indoor PE lesson – remember pumps	Reception	
	Outdoor PE lesson	Years 2 & 5	

### This Week's Menu

# \*\*\*Dinner money must be paid in advance. £2.53 per day/£12.65 per week \*\*\*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Meatball in Tomato &	The Big Breakfast	Chicken & Vegetable	Chicken Curry & Rice	Jumbo Fish Fingers	
Basil Sauce	(Sausage, Beans,	Pie		Garden Peas &	
Penne Pasta	Bacon, Toast or Sliced	Carrots & Peas		Sweetcorn	
	Brown Bread)	Roast Potatoes		Chipped Potatoes	
BBQ Chicken & Rice	Tuna Past Bake	V Quorn & Chilli with	V Quorn Lasagne	V Broccoli &	
	Crispy Salad	Boiled Rice	Mixed salad	Cauliflower Cheesy	
				Pasta Bake	
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Or					
Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	
Various Fillings	Baked Beans	Various Fillings	Baked Beans	Various Fillings	
Deli Bar (Y3,4,5&6)	Deli Bar (Y3,4,5&6)	Deli Bar (Y3,4,5&6)	Deli Bar (Y3,4,5&6)	Deli Bar (Y3,4,5&6)	
Or					
Shortbread Biscuit	Oat, Apple & Honey	Delight	Fruit Sponge &	Chocolate & Banana	
	Slice		Custard	Brownie	
Plus the option of Fresh Fruit Drinks:				Fruit juice or fresh water	