

Half Acres Primary Academy

Newsletter July 2019

We would like to firstly take this opportunity to thank you for your overwhelming support at all our recent events in school. The school summer fair raised £760, K1 & K2 sports day raised £474. This will be combined and used to enhance learning experiences, throughout KS1 & KS2. Our Den Building Day was a huge success.

The book fair raised £700 commission, which has been used to purchase an impressive new book shelf for our KS1 library.

The Early Years Fun day raised £1080 which will be used to further enhance our Early Years provision.

FORTHCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Thursday 25th July

Nursery break up for Summer Holidays

Friday 26th July

10.30 a.m. Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Break up for Summer Holidays 1.15 p.m.

Monday 2nd September

Inset Day

Tuesday 3rd September

School reopens

REPORTS AND TRANSITION

You should now have received your child's report, which also informs you which class your child will be joining in September.

The transition to their new class has already taken place. You will have an opportunity to meet their new teacher in September.

We hope you will be able to join us for these meetings (a further letter will follow).

Year Group	Date	Time
Year 1	Thursday 5 th September	2.45 p.m.
Year 2	Wednesday 4 th September	2.45 p.m.
Year 3	Friday 6 th September	9.05 a.m.
Year 4	Wednesday 4 th September	9.05 a.m.
Year 5	Thursday 5 th September	9.05 a.m.
Year 6	Friday 6 th September	2.45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

This year the whole school attendance target was **97%**.

Class attendance since September 2018 - 95.88%			
Nursery AM	95.29%	Nursery PM	91.32%
EY2F	94.61%	2S	96.06%
EY2M	94.02%	3C	95.78%
1N	95.81%	4MO	97.26%
1RB	96.95%	5A	96.76%
2M	96.13%	6B	95.79%

We were able to reward 34 children, with a private viewing of Toy Story 4 after they achieved 100% attendance. 128 children achieved 97% attendance. They have enjoyed a water fun activity afternoon, along with hotdogs and an ice lolly.

MRS PICKLES

Mrs Pickles left Half Acres at the beginning of the year with a temporary move to Ackton Pastures. Sadly she has decided to take early retirement and therefore will not return to Half Acres. We are incredibly sad, as Mrs Pickles has been with Half Acres for 20 years. I'm sure you will join us in wishing her every happiness in her future, she will not be forgotten.

HELLO, GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Gill and Miss Drinkall. We are sure you will join us in sending best wishes to them and lots of luck for their future. We are also looking forward to welcoming Miss Fabregas who will be joining our teaching staff in Year 3, we know you will make her feel welcome at Half Acres.

Finally, our Year 6 leave us to start their High School journey. We send with them, our best wishes and good luck. We hope their journey into High School is successful.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please could I take this opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy, as I'm sure many parents will be purchasing new uniform over the summer. A copy of this can be found on the school website.

Children are expected to wear red jumpers/cardigans, white blouses/shirts/polo shirts, navy blue/black or grey trousers/skirts or shirts, black shoes. Any trainers must be plain black. In summer a red gingham dress may be worn. PE kit should be a white t-shirt and black shorts.

SAFEGUARDING

As the summer holidays are long you may decide to place your child in a childcare setting. We have been sent some guidance from the Wakefield Safeguarding Advisor in Education, that may help you in making the decision of where to send your child. It has questions you may wish to ask and things to consider. Please have a look on our website, under: parent letters for the article 'Safeguarding Questions'.

FINALLY.....

I'm sure you will agree it has been an extremely busy half term, with sports days, Summer Fair, Fun Day, Inspire Events, Withernsea Visit, Summer Spectacular, Year 6 Sleepover, the list goes on.....! None of this would be possible without the support of you, so we want to say a big 'THANK YOU!'. Also a special mention to our staff who go above and beyond to make these events happen.

We hope you all have an enjoyable, relaxing and safe summer break.

We look forward to welcoming back the children into school on Tuesday 3rd September.

