



Hazlehurst Community Primary School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope you have had a very good summer holiday and thank you very much for the many kind messages that were sent in at the end of term – much appreciated!

We are all looking forward to a happy and successful school year. The children have made an excellent start and look extremely smart. We appreciate your help in getting your child to school in good time with the correct equipment for the day. **Please check that each item of uniform is clearly marked with your child's name.** Our summer uniform of royal blue polo shirts or gingham dresses may be worn up to half term, but after this time all children should wear the normal uniform of shirts and ties. Please note that shoes, not boots or trainers, must be worn, except for medical reasons. Thank you.



During the course of the year your child will regularly bring home newsletters such as this one, which contain general information and dates etc. These letters are numbered so that you can be sure that you have not missed any important information. We will send you a text alert when a new newsletter comes home, **so please keep us informed of any changes to your mobile number.** If you have not received a text by the end of the week please contact Mrs Little because we may need to update your number. You will also receive a 'Curriculum Newsletter', which will describe some of the activities that your child will be doing in class this term and how you can help at home. The school website contains copies of all the above information, along with regular updates about school activities.

Meet the Teacher – Thursday 7 September

This is a chance for parents to come into school, meet their child's new teacher, see the classroom and learn a little bit about the work that will be done during the year and how to help at home. The session will begin with a brief introduction by the teacher for about 10 minutes followed by an informal time for sharing information – approx 30 mins in total. The meeting is intended for **parents**, so please try to make alternative arrangements for your child. Reception and KS1 classes will start at 6.00 pm, KS2 classes (Years 3 to 6) will start at 6.30 pm. You are most welcome!



I am sure you are aware that all Reception and KS1 children are entitled to a free school meal. The take-up of this offer is usually very high. However, if your children would have qualified for free school meals under the old system, it is still important to register with the Local Authority because the school receives Pupil Premium funding based on this information. For further details please contact Mrs Little. Thank you.

Our school brass band rehearsals will be starting up again *this* week (6 September onwards) and will run every Wednesday from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm (time to start practising!). We have lots of other after-school clubs planned too and further details will be sent home shortly. The other clubs will be starting *next* week (11 September onwards).



A few brief reminders for new parents ...

- Parent helpers are welcome! Please see Mrs Little with details of when you can help.
- No nuts in packed lunches please (some children have a serious allergic reactions to nuts).

- No dogs on the school grounds, under any circumstances.
- **Please take care not to block driveways in the local streets.**
- No decorative jewellery (religious jewellery is permitted if necessary). For children with pierced ears **small, plain studs** may be worn, **but must be removed for PE.**

Dates for your Diary

Thur 7 Sept	'Meet the Teacher' (6.00 pm for R&KS1, 6.30 pm for KS2)
Mon 11 Sept	SEN Parent to Parent Network Meeting – 9.00 am
Thur 14 Sept	7.00 pm Friends' Association Meeting (PTA) – all welcome!
Wed 27 Sept	Harvest Festival – 9.00 am – all welcome.
Fri 29 Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.00 am – 10.00 am
Thur 5 Oct	School Photographer – individual photographs and family groups
Sat 7 Oct	School Band in Ramsbottom Music Festival Celebration Evening Concert (details to follow)
Mon 9 Oct	Y4 Swimming Lessons Start – every day for 2 weeks
Tue 10 Oct	SEN Parent to Parent Network Meeting – 9.00 am
Thur 19 Oct	Parents' Evening 6.00 pm – 8.30 pm (or daytime appointments between 9.00 am – 10.30 am on Wed 18 th for R & KS1 and Thur 19 th for KS2)
Fri 20 Oct	3.30 pm – break up for half term
Tue 31 Oct	9.00 am school re-opens
Mon 6 Nov	SEN Parent to Parent Network Meeting – 9.00 am
Tue 7 Nov	Book Fair every night after school for 1 week
Tue 14 Nov	Flu Vaccine Day
Fri 1 Dec	Christmas Fair (tbc)
Tue 5 Dec	SEN Parent to Parent Network Meeting – 9.00 am
Tue 5 Dec	2.30 pm & 7.00 pm – Y3&4 Christmas Concert
Thur 7 Dec	2.30 pm and 7.00 pm – Y5&6 Christmas Concert
Fri 8 Dec	KS2 trip to Bolton Octagon to see 'A Christmas Carol'
Wed 13 Dec	9.30 am – Reception Nativity Play
Thur 14 Dec	2.30 pm and 7.00 pm - KS1 Nativity Play
Fri 16 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Mon 18 Dec	Reception and KS1 Christmas Party
Tue 19 Dec	KS2 Christmas Parties
Wed 20 Dec	3.00 pm - school closes early for the Christmas holiday
Thur 4 Jan'18	9.00 am - school re-opens
Fri 5 Jan	Rec & KS1 trip to 'The Gruffalo' at the Lowry



Provisional dates for Class Assemblies (Wednesdays at 9.00 am):

Y6 – 13 Sept	Y5 – 20 Sept	Y4 – 4 Oct
Y3 – 11 Oct	Y2 – 8 Nov	Y1 – 15 Nov

You are most welcome to attend our class assemblies, but please confirm the date a little nearer the time, just in case we have had to make any changes. The new reception class will do their first class assembly in the spring term.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher