

Half Acres Primary School

Newsletter October 2018

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to all our families for returning all the recent consent forms and contact information. The school office staff are currently in the process of updating our records. Please let us know as soon as possible if your contact details change and need updating.

We would also like to thank parents for their support on the recent Parent Consultation evenings and we hope you found the information shared useful. Feedback we received from you was overwhelmingly positive. Only by working together can we ensure the best outcomes and experiences for your child.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections took place to select new School Councillors on Friday 19th October. Thank you to those parents who encouraged or helped their child to make a poster to stand as a candidate to represent their class. I'm sure the councillors will do a fantastic job in the coming year.

MAGNA SCIENCE VISIT

Year 3 & Year 4 children will be visiting Magna Science Adventure Centre on Thursday 15th November. This will help support the children's understanding of solids, liquids and gases. All the children are very excited.

FAMILY MENTOR

Mrs Render is our family mentor and is available from 8am until 4pm to help children and parents. If you wish to contact her please leave a message in the school office.

PARKING

Once again we are appealing to all of our parents to be mindful of the safety of our children and show consideration for our neighbours by parking responsibly. We have received a number of complaints recently.

INSPIRE EVENTS

Thank you for all your support and attendance during recent Inspire Events. It was lovely to see so many of you in school supporting your children. Also thank you for all your feedback about the events.

ATTENDANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Responses to the recent attendance questionnaire demonstrated how important you all felt this issue was. Altogether there were 94 responses and many people took a great deal of time share their in-depth views. Thank you. We will analyse the results and share findings in the next newsletter.

FORTHCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Friday 26th October

EY Harvest Concerts, 10.30 am and 2.15pm

School closes for half term

Monday 5th November

INSET Day

Tuesday 6th November

School reopens

Thursday 8th November

Singing Club host their Celebration of the War Centenary Concert

Monday 12th November

Say No to Bullying Week

Wednesday 14th November

9.10 am Year 1 (Miss Naylor) class assembly

Thursday 15th November

9.10 am Year 1 (Mrs Roberts/Mrs Asquith) class assembly

Year 3 & Year 4 Magna Science Trip

Friday 16th November

Children In Need

Friday 30th November

Flu vaccines for all children from Reception up to Year 5

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance for this term is currently 96.42%. This is so near to our target of 97%.

Class attendance since September 2018 - 96.42%

EY2F	95.7%	2S	96%
EY2M	94%	3C	95.1%
1N	97.1%	4MO	98.6%
1RA	97.7%	5A	97.6%
2M	98%	6B	94.7%

This year the names of all children achieving 97% or above are displayed in our new school hall every week and this achievement is celebrated. In Early Years the children's names are displayed near the attendance display in both Nursery and Reception.

Attendance Fact: 90% attendance is the equivalent of having a day off every two weeks. The Government consider anything under 90% as Persistent Absence.