

HANDSWORTH NEWS

**BRANCHING OUT, GROWING TALL
HAND IN HAND, ONE AND ALL**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are well and truly in the swing of the new term. The children are getting used to their routines and have enjoyed getting to know their new teachers. I have thoroughly enjoyed visiting classes this week. We are studying the book 'Wild' by Emily Hughes, it's great to see children from Nursery to Year 6 engaged and inspired by the text and illustrations. You can see some of the outcomes in this newsletter.

Thank you to those who attended the welcome meetings this week, it was good to see so many of you there. If you were unable to make the meeting, the information will be on the website and as always, you are more than welcome to contact us if you have any questions.

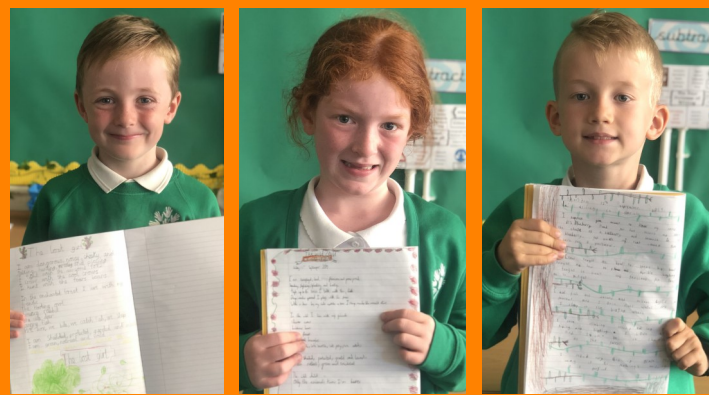
On the final page of this newsletter, you will find our priorities for this year, we look forward to working with you as we strive to achieve these aims.

The Friends of Handsworth Annual General Meeting took place today. The quorum for AG meetings is 26, however we only had 20 today, therefore, leadership roles were unable to be elected. We will send out information when we know the date for the next meeting. Any support you can give is very much appreciated. Last academic year FOH raised £10,609 which is an incredible amount. Every penny benefited the children of Handsworth in many different ways. Please keep a look out for further updates.

We look forward to many exciting opportunities and experiences this year.

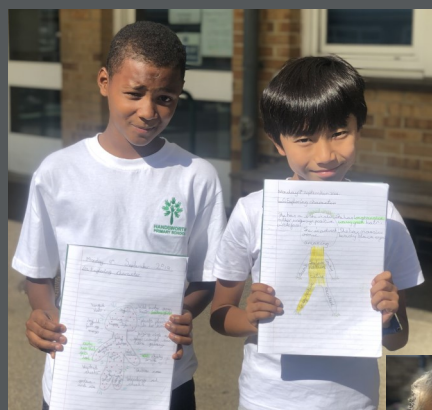
Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Nairne



Dates for your diary

Thursday 19 September 2019	Craig Jenkins, Story Teller
Thursday 19 September 2019, 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	School Nurse Drop-in
Friday 20 September 2019, 8:30 AM to 8:50 AM	Year 6 Residential Parent Meeting
Thursday 26 September 2019	BBC Music Day
Friday 27 September 2019	MacMillan Coffee Morning
Wednesday 2 October 2019, 9:00 AM	Early Years Phonics Parent Meeting
Thursday 3 October 2019	National Poetry Day
Tuesday 15 October 2019, 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM	Year 2 Trip to Highams Park Lake
Wednesday 16 October 2019	School Photos
Friday 18 October 2019	International Day
Monday 21st to Friday 25th October 2019	Half Term
Tuesday 29 October 2019	Year 4 Roman WOW Day & Parent Assembly
Wednesday 30 October 2019	Year 6 Ancient Greek WOW Day
Wednesday 30 October 2019	Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 31 October 2019	Year 6 NCMP and Hearing test
Wednesday 6 November 2019	Reception 2020 Open Evening
Thursday 7 November 2019	Year 4 Trip to the Verulamium Museum
Tuesday 12 November 2019, 3:30 PM to 8:00 PM	Parents Evening
Wednesday 13 November 2019, 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm	Parents Evening
Friday 15 November 2019	Children in Need (Non-Uniform Day)
Tuesday 26 November 2019	Year 1 Trip to Museum of Childhood
Friday 6 November 2019	Panto
Tuesday 10 December 2019, 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	KS1 & Reception Nativity
Wednesday 11 December 2019, 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM	Nursery Nativity
Thursday 12 December 2019, 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	KS1 & Reception Nativity
Friday 13 December 2019	Year 3 Egyptian WOW Day
Monday 16 December 2019	Santa's Grotto
Friday 20th December 2019	End of Term - School finishes at 2.30pm
Monday 6th January 2020	INSET Day



Autumn Term 2019 (75 days)	
Inset Days:	Monday 2 nd September 2019 Tuesday 3 rd September 2019
Start of Term:	Wednesday 4 th September 2019
Half Term:	Monday 21 st October to Friday 25 th October 2019
End of Term:	Friday 20 th December 2019 at 2.30pm
Christmas:	Monday 23 rd December 2019 to Friday 3 rd January 2020

Spring Term 2020 (60 days)	
Inset Day	Monday 6 th January 2020
Start of Term:	Tuesday 7 th January 2020
Half Term:	Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February 2020
End of Term:	Friday 3 rd April 2020 at 2.30pm

Summer Term 2020 (60 days)	
Start of Term:	Monday 20 th April 2020
Spring Bank Holiday:	Friday 8 th May 2020
Half Term:	Monday 25 th May 2020 to Friday 29 th May 2020
Inset Day	Monday 6 th July 2020 (Pupil Conferences)
Inset Day	Monday 20 th July 2020
End of Term:	Friday July 17 th 2020 at 2.30pm

195 days (190 pupil days plus 5 inset days)

Handsworth Primary School

Key Priorities 2019/20

Branching out, standing tall, hand in hand one and all.

QUALITY OF EDUCATION

Place a rigorous focus on diversity and inclusion through a contextually relevant curriculum which celebrates the uniqueness of all children.

Continue to embed the consistent teaching and learning of Maths through Maths Mastery resulting in attainment exceeding that of pupils nationally.



BEHAVIOUR & ATTITUDES

Develop a whole school approach to mental health and emotional wellbeing which places a focus on ensuring all members of our community are thriving.

Ensure our pupils demonstrate exceptional behaviour and the relationships among pupils and staff reflect our positive and respectful culture; pupils are safe and feel safe.



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ensure activities funded by the Pupil Premium improve the outcomes for all disadvantaged pupils and provide access to a range of positive experiences.

Provide a range of activities which seek to give children new experiences, encouraging them to develop their talents, interests and life skills.



LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

Refine all procedures and practices with a focus on staff wellbeing to allow teachers to explore the curriculum and their own CPD with increased passion and engagement.

Develop leaders at all levels, inspiring ambition and raising aspirations.

