HANDSWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL





Mrs Nairne's Headlines

Christmas Fayre

Handsworth Christmas Fayre is tomorrow from 11am to 4pm. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

This is an important event for the school and helps to raise vital funds which enhances the children's educational experience.

Thank you for all your wonderful donations and to all the volunteers who have worked hard to set up and run this event.

Maths Workshops

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the Key Stage 2 Maths workshops. It was great to share how we teach Maths with you and give you information about how you can support your child at home.

You can find more about Maths teaching and learning on our <u>website.</u>

Please can those who attended the sessions leave us some <u>feedback</u>.

Parent volunteers

We were so pleased to see so many parents and carers willing to support children in school. We are currently in the process of getting DBS checks in place.

After holding our Progress Meetings this week, we would like to offer more children daily reading. If you are able to pop in to school just after drop off, even if for 15 minutes, please <u>inform the school office</u>.





COME TO THE + SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR AND EARN FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL!



During the day: Friday 25th November–Thursday 1st December After school (3:30pm-4:30pm):

We will accept cash and Scholastics Book Fair vouchers.



MUSIC OF THE WEEK

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Each week we introduce the children to a different musical artist or genre. The children listen to this music around the school, in class and in assemblies.

Freddie and Flo have made up a shoebox of new gifts to send to a child who may not get gift this Christmas. They will be dropping them off at a collection point on Monday and they can track who their parcel has gone to. They chose the gifts for a 5 year old boy and a 9 year old girl.

Well done Freddie and Flo!





Neurodiversity

COFFEE MORNING

Enda Murphy

Cognitive Behavioural therapist and International speaker Take home tips on how to manage your neurodiverse child

Friday 9th Dec 9-11am









Attendance

As a school, we will encourage parents and carers to ensure that their child achieves maximum possible attendance and that any problems that prevent this are identified and acted upon promptly.

Please do not to book doctor/dentist appointments during the school day

If your child has an appointment, please bring them into school before and/or after the appointment Inform the office of any appointments and **show/send in an appointment card or letter, copy of the text confirmation** (without evidence it may go down as an unauthorised

absence)

If using the online form please state what type of appointment it is and the reason (dentist, check up or doctors for a sore throat for example) and bring in/email a card or letter after the appointment or when collecting your child.

If your child needs to take time off school please fill in this <u>form</u> – **As a school we can not authorise any holiday** taken in school time.

The school register is taken at **8.50**, if your child arrives after they are marked as late. If they arrive after 9.30am they miss their morning mark and it counts as an unauthorised absence (unless they have an appointment).

If your child is ill please phone or email the school <u>school@handsworth.waltham.uk</u> to let us know, on each day of the absence, before 9am . If we can not get in touch with you it will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

If you use the online form to report an absence please state the type of absence and a reason. The form can be found <u>here</u> on the website.

Your child will need 48 hours off after vomiting or diarrhea. The school office can administer medication if necessary, please bring to the office to be signed in. Our voluntary fund is up and running on ParentPay.

It has a default of £30 but this figure can be amended so any amount can be paid as frequently as you would like.

We have recently received information regarding the impact that the fuel crisis will have on our school budget. We have a difficult time ahead of us and any support you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Please click <u>here</u> to donate to our voluntary fund on Parent Pay.



Every little bit helps!





HAF Funded spaces for children on benefit related free school meals (FSM)

There are a limited 45 spaces available for children who are in receipt of benefit related free school meals! These children will receive fully funded spaces as well as a hot lunch every day they book.

Families in receipt of benefit related free school meals (FSM) can book online at

https://ssseducationgroupltd.coordinate.cloud/project/37807

Paid spaces available - Just 15 spaces available

For families who are not in receipt of free school meals there are 15 paid spaces available per day. Children will need to bring a packed lunch for the day. The booking link for paid spaces is - https://superstarsportuk.class4kids.co.uk/camp/115

Handsworth primary school parents and carers can have the first option to book. We will however be opening bookings to the wider community on **Wednesday 30th November**. So please book fast to avoid disappointment!

Super Star Sport can be contacted on 01992 766707.

Here is some information about what we have going on at Redbridge Drama Centre this Christmas season.

Christmas Season at Redbridge Drama Centre, Churchfields, South Woodford, E18

'The Pied Piper' - A Fun Musical adaption of this classic, family tale. Performances are Thursday 1st December to Saturday 17th December, running time 1hr 10 mins, tickets £11.50 or Family (4) Ticket £40 - visit: www.visionrcl.org.uk/event/the-pied-piper

Santas Film Club - Holiday Workshop - Weds 21st - Friday 23rd December 10am - 3pm -Learn Screen Acting Skills & experience what it takes to star in a short film! You also get a copy of your professionally edited film to keep.

£105 - register here: <u>www.visionrcl.org.uk/holiday-workshops</u>





















A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way. John Maxwell

We are so proud to introduce our wonderful Year 6 House Captains

Family meetings create connections

When your days are so full and busy, family meetings are an opportunity to regularly bring families together. They can help your children learn to solve problems, they help them to feel like important members of the family and they also allow the space to share any emotions or concerns that might be troubling them.

How can parents help?

Introduce them to your children by saying that you have a new fun idea to make it easier to work out problems that come up. Schedule it at the same time every week and invite suggestions from everyone for the agenda.

You can agree on the set of rules/values, such as listening to each other and using kind words. Create traditions and rituals, like lighting a candle or using a talking stick. Start with something positive such as sharing appreciation, followed by things that everyone likes or wants to be improved. It may be helpful to keep a Family Notebook to write down any arguments made, to reflect back on.

Finally, share something you are looking forward to and any announcements for the week ahead. It is also always good to end with a family hug or other agreed ritual that brings everyone together.

With best wishes, Greta Integrative Child Psychotherapist















Some lovely leaf art from our ECO Council



Star of the Week 🙀







The purpose of Star of the Week is for us to have the opportunity to celebrate every child in our community specifically. We encourage everyone to celebrate what is wonderful about that child. Children do not need to do anything to earn Star of the Week – each child deserves it and they will each get a turn. The stars also have the opportunity to have tea with Mrs Nairne and Ms Addai. We understand that some children didn't get a chance to come today, we will celebrate with them next week! If your child is Star of the Week we encourage you to ask them to repeat to you some of the positive statements their classmates and teachers make about them and add your own!