

Hillborough Infant and Nursery School New Term News – 8th September 2023

Dear parents and guardians,

We hope this newsletter finds you all rested and well. We hope that you have been able to spend time with your family and friends, visit others abroad or just have a staycation in the UK.

Summer holiday learning - Thank you so much to Year 1 and 2 children for completing your summer holiday home learning so amazingly! Mrs Barber and I have loved looking at your books, thank you all again. I have given your teacher's a Headteacher's Award certificate to hand out. If you have not handed your books in yet, do not worry, bring them in as soon as you can and you too can get a Headteacher's Award certificate.

School timings – the school day will be starting at 08:50 with doors closing at 09:00. Doors will be shut promptly and children will need to be taken to the main reception. The school day will be ending at 15:30 and children will need to be collected at that time. If you are aware that you are going to be late, do contact the school and let them know.

School uniform – as set out on the school website and without exceptions. If you are struggling with uniform or other uniform related concern, do not hesitate to make contact with our Family Support worker – Mrs Owen.

Values and behaviour – we have four simple rules that are linked to our core value, that we C-A-R-E C- community (we make sure our community is a safe place for learning and playing), A – aspiration (we try our best), R – respect (we treat ourselves, others and our school environment with respect), E – empowering (we help ourselves and others). From CARE, we have our four expected behaviours: We walk around the school in silence; we listen when someone is talking; we keep our hands and feet to ourselves and we look smart and presentable. Our children really supported us when we designed our new policy back in March 2023.

PE days and kit – you will have received notifications around PE and what your child needs for each session. **Reminder – your child's PE kit should be brought into school and remain here during the half term.** All information can be found on the school's website.

Attendance – everyday counts! Good attendance is vital for all children, and we work to ensure all children achieve that. We will be working closely with families to ensure good attendance.

Term Time Leave – we would like to remind you that term time leave is only granted in **exceptional circumstances** and **MUST** be agreed by the Headteacher. Any application **MUST** be completed and returned to school, no later than 14 days prior to the request. You will be expected to attend a meeting, in school, to discuss the request before a decision is made. All details can be found by clicking on the following – <u>Term Time Leave of Absence</u>.

Well-being team - Help us to support your child. If you are worried or concerned about anything that may affect your child's day in school, do let a member of teaching staff or our well-being team know.

Family Support Worker – please remember that **Mrs Caron Owen** is contactable, via the school, in the usual ways. Mrs Owen is out and about most mornings on the playground, as is our Senior Leadership Team and SENDCo – we are here to support you

SEND – our SENDCo, Miss Aleise Breen, can be contacted via the usual methods and by using the email address – inclusion@hillboroughinfantschool.uk.

School Website – our website is mobile phone friendly and has most information on it. You are able to use the translation tool on the site to convert most pages to the most common languages that our families use. Our year groups will be able to share all the exciting things that classes have been working on or studying. Click on this link to find the website – <u>Hillborough Infant School website</u>

Dates and events – via our website, do check the calendar on the site for the latest information. We will send out ParentMail if there is something specific

Extra-curricular clubs – are due to start 18th September 2023, additional information and a sign up form will be sent via ParentMail next week to Year 1 and Year 2. Please keep an eye out for any relevant information

School lunch ordering – do not forget to order your child's lunch via **Select.** We offer a wide range of hot and cold options.

Wishing you a lovely weekend in the glorious sunshine.

Josie Walter – Headteacher