



# Hughenden Primary School

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Newsletter – April 2019

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## SCHOOL NEWS

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Dear Parents,

We start our Easter Newsletter with some lovely news; Mrs Brown has had a baby boy who they have named Lucas James Brown. I'm sure you will all join us in congratulating his safe arrival –they have visited us today so I'm sure the children will share this with you. Miss Brinkworth's baby is due in May and we look forward to sharing their news soon.

### **Parents Evening**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parents Evening sessions last week. On our school website, under the 'Learning At Home' section, are lots of resources for the children to use.

The Scholastic books range is also a great resource to have to support learning at home. In the office, order forms are available and master copies of the books are available to view before purchase. Completed order forms need to be handed into the school office before Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

### **Being Respectful**

A lot of our toys and equipment have been getting damaged recently, particularly in the younger classes. Please can we ask you all to have a conversation with your children about being respectful of other children and their belongings, as well as the school's equipment.

### **Lost Property – Please name everything!**

We have an overwhelming amount of unnamed uniform, shoes, etc on our lost property trolley which could easily be returned if it was named. Some name tags have come off or worn off, please take time over Easter to rename everything! Please can we ask everyone to check the trolley before Friday - anything left after Friday will be donated to charity. Any unnamed uniform will be given to the PTA to re-sell.

### **PTA Events**

The Quiz Night date has been revised to Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. More details for this event will follow shortly after the Easter holidays.

The Summer Fete has been set for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The Friends are asking for helpers and volunteers to lend a hand in bringing it all together for the big day! From leaflet dropping, writing letters for company donations or just going to Poundshop for supplies, every little helps.

If you know anyone who would be interested in hiring a stall on the day, please contact the PTA or your class rep for more details. It would be great to have a wide variety of stalls and activities with people from the local community.

## **Parking**

A message from our Junior Road Safety Officers:

“Lately we have noticed that some children are getting out of the car on the road side and we believe that it is highly dangerous for them. If this is the case, that they are sat on that side, we recommend that they slide across to the other side or you reverse park.

The other dangers we have noticed are that some parents are parking on corners and it is illegal!”

Our JRSO’s do a fantastic job at observing and monitoring the roads outside the school gates each morning and we encourage all road users to drive/park safely.

## **Update from Quackers Breakfast & After School Clubs**

Due to high demand for our Breakfast and After School clubs next term, we are writing to advise you to submit your booking requirements as soon as possible so we can resource our clubs accordingly.

If you do wish to book ad-hoc or week by week, please can you provide your requirements by 9am on the Friday prior to the week you are booking, this gives us time to try and create extra spaces. You are welcome to book extra ad-hoc sessions as and when you need them, however this will be subject to availability.

## **Recording Absences**

We have noticed an increasing amount of absences that are not being noted to the school office by parents. If your child is absent, please call the school office and/or email details of any absence, so we can ensure attendance is accurately recorded. It is our responsibility as a school to have all children accounted for by 10am. Please help us to minimise phone calls home by contacting the school office before 10am.

In the event that your child’s absence is snow related, please email the school office in case office staff are unable to make it into school. Thank you in advance for your support and co-operation.

## **Live Kitchen – update**

The 'Live Kitchen' brand will be renamed to 'SchoolGrid', due to the expanded services the company now offer. This change will be effective from Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019. Please note, they are still the same company, the only change taking place is simply their name. You can continue to use the website, at the regular web address, the same way you always have.

Also, a gentle reminder to all parents to please check balances on your Live Kitchen accounts and that all outstanding balances are settled before the new term begins.

## **E-Safety**

Following the recent news stories about internet safety, we have uploaded some posters and resources to the 'E-Safety' section on our school website. These can be found under Curriculum → E-Safety. These have useful information about various social media and internet tools that are currently trending.

## **Parent Pay**

We have received several requests from parents asking to pay online for school trips. This is only possible to do if the cost of the trip is over the amount of £10, as we incur a transaction fee for every payment. If this option is available, details will appear on the trip letter.

## **Bumped Head Policy – update**

Currently, we make a call home to parents for any child who has had a bump from the neck up however slight. This was trialled and welcomed by parents. The adverse effect of this though, we believe, is that some children intentionally have small bumps as they enjoy the attention they receive.

Unfortunately, this could take staff away from more serious incidents. Moving forward, staff and first aiders will assess all children who have a bumped head and administer the appropriate first aid and ensure the accident book is completed. Class teachers will be informed as well as Quackers club staff if children are not going straight home. Where head bumps are genuine we will continue to complete the head bump letter and make a call home.

## **Local Easter Family Events**

Please find attached with this newsletter some flyers and promotional posters about fun, family events happening during the Easter break. A lot of these events are free to attend and support local charities.

We have also included some information about swimming lessons at Wycombe Leisure Centre, where our Y3 class currently attend.

## **Summer Club Timetable**

The clubs timetable is going to be emailed out to everyone this week and you can also find it on the school website under Clubs.

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### **SPRING TERM 2019 DATES**

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2019	Year 6 at Calshot Residential all week
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019</b>	<b>End of Spring Term – 1.30pm finish – including Hughenden Hoppers</b>
	QUACKERS CLUB 1.30-6pm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 - Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019	INSET DAY
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Back to School (Summer Term)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Swimming Lessons Begin
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Y5 Davenies Maths Challenge
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2019	Y3 Group B Forest School Begins
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	Y1 Sports Festival at Dr. Challoners School, 9.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	PTA – Quiz Night
w/c Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	KS2 SATS week
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2019	Brass Workshops Year 3 and 4 with Bucks Music Trust
w/c Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	HALF TERM
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2019	Back to School

w/c 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Travelling Book Fayre – letter to follow
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Y2 Sports Festival at Dr. Challoners School, 9.30am – 12.30pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	INSET DAY
w/c 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Transition week 1
18 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Charlottes Web week whole school, production PM from M & M Productions
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	Year 3 Forest School – whole class at Pipers
w/c 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Transition week 2
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	PTA – Summer Fete (programme of events to follow)
W/C 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Wellbeing Week
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Sports Day – letter to follow Hoppers/EYFS/KS1 AM Picnic Lunch KS2 PM
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Y6 Performance (Dress Rehearsal) – letter to follow
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Y6 Performance - PM
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Y6 Performance (evening) Hoppers/EYFS Camp Out 18 <sup>th</sup> July
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Sports Day Reserve 1
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Sports Day Reserve 2
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Open Evening – times TBC
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2019	Y6 Bowling Trip – letter to follow
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Y6 Leavers Assembly – letter to follow  Last Day of Term, 1.30pm finish  QUACKERS CLUB 1.30-6pm - TBC

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