



Church Hill Infant School

Being the best we can be!

Newsletter

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Thank you

It has been another very eventful academic year at Church Hill Infants. There have been many achievements throughout the year which I and the staff are really proud of. Our youngest children have settled in well and are ready to join Key Stage 1; whilst our year 2 pupils are ready for pastures new and will be continuing their learning journey at the Junior school.

You will have recently received the end of year report outlining your child's achievement. We hope you are happy with the progress your child is making; your responses and comments were appreciated and any feedback from parents is always valued. We have a very positive and open relationship with parents and all of our staff are happy to discuss any aspects of your child's learning should you wish an informal meeting next term, at the end or beginning of the school day.

At the end of the academic year the school submits its results to the Department for Education. Although we do not have the final verified information; we are very pleased with the outcome of the statutory tests. This information will soon be available on our school website. There is no doubt that the children's achievements and the successes of the school are down to the excellent team of staff, governors and parents. However, the true merit of these successes comes down to the children and their passion for learning – a life skill we are very proud to nurture in all of our young children.

Over the course of the year, I have got to know many families and parents. There have been many opportunities for parents to express their views and opinions of how well they think the school is doing and we aim to continue to strengthen these partnerships in the new year so we can improve the school further.

Thank you yet again to all the staff who have worked extremely hard in providing exciting learning opportunities to ensure that every child's experience at Church Hill is happy and enriching. Also, a big thank you to all the governors for their ongoing support and commitment to the life of the school.

I wish you all a restful summer break and look forward to working with you in the new school year.

Mrs M Bulsara
Headteacher

Year 2 Leavers Performance



Our Year 2 leavers' performance of "Honey" was a huge success and proved to be a proud moment for all. It was lovely to see our children so confident.

Although we are sad to say goodbye; we are sure the children will have many fond memories of their first years at Church Hill Infants. We continue to have close links with the Juniors and know that the children will settle into their new school very quickly.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank all of the parents for their continued support and I would especially like to thank the children for trying their best and working hard at all times. We wish you continued success at Church Hill Juniors!

Being Sporty at Church Hill

Sports Day

Sportsmanship spirit was truly alive (in children and parents) on our annual sports day event. We had great weather on the day and it was lovely to see so many families and friends supporting the children. Thank you for the positive comments which were received from so many parents.



Loughborough Multiskills

Medals were won when our Year one pupils triumphed at the Loughborough Multiskills event last month. We were very proud of all the children who competed against 10 other schools.



After school clubs

The multiskills afterschool clubs were a great success. We had a huge interest which meant we were able to run two sessions. The children have experienced a range of interesting sports from fencing and tag-rugby to basketball and athletics. Thank you to Mrs Sarai and Mr Mayhew for organizing this opportunity for the children. New sessions will continue in the Autumn term. Please watch out for flyers from Mrs Sarai.

Swimming

Swimming will run again next year.

Year 1 and Year 2 – Autumn Term

Year 1 and Foundation Stage – Summer Term

More information regarding swimming arrangements will be provided at the start of the term.

New Home-School Agreement

Thank you to all of the parents who responded to the consultation regarding the new Home – School Agreement. We had 30 responses and the majority of parents thought the new format was clearer. We will be issuing the new agreements in the Autumn Term for each child.



Book Fair



Thank you to Mr Mayhew and Miss Sharpe who organised another successful book club fair. We think it is important to teach our children the value of saving up for something special. It is lovely to see them get really excited when they know their regular savings are building up.

School fundraising

We are in the process of establishing a PTA for the school. If you are interested in being part of a new team and supporting the school in raising funds and organising fun events for the school community, please come and express your interest by visiting the school office. We hope to get things running early on in the new school year.



Save the dates!

Year 1 Parent Forum Meeting – Tuesday 10th September 2.30pm
Year 2 Parent Forum Meeting – Wednesday 11th September 2.30pm
Foundation Stage Phonics Meeting – Thursday 3rd October 2.30pm
Year One Phonics Screening Meeting – Thursday 31st October 2.30pm

New Classes

We had a transition afternoon last week where all of the children met their new teachers for the forthcoming school year and spent time getting to know each other.

The staffing for next year will be:

Foundation Stage

RB -Mrs Randle (Deputy Head/ Foundation Stage coordinator) and Mrs Borman
DC - Mr Corcoran
NS – Miss Sharpe

Year 1

P/B – Mrs Phipps/ Mrs Bell
BS – Mrs Sarai
JM – Miss Myler (SENCO)

Year 2

L/E – Mrs Lissaman/ Mrs Elliott
WK – Miss Kirby
FI – Miss Ibrahim



We will be welcoming Miss Ibrahim who will join our teaching team as a Year 2 teacher in September and Mrs Borman who will be joining our Foundation Stage team.

We are sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Turner, Mr Mayhew and Mrs Brown. I am sure you will join us in thanking them for the contribution they have made at our school. We wish them all the best for the future and hope they will come back to see us soon.

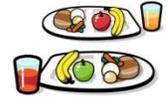


Free School Meals

Our school could be missing out on funding to help pupils. Did you know that registering your child as eligible for FSM will bring more money to the school to help them achieve better?

As parents you can register your child as eligible to receive free school meals (FSM) if you are in receipt of the following benefits:

- *Income support*
- *Income-based job seekers' allowance*
- *Income related employment and support allowance*
- *Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999*
- *Child tax credit, provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than 16,190*



*If you successfully register, your child will get a free healthy lunch- saving you more than £350 a year. They will also be entitled to extra benefits to support their education in school and the school will receive **£900** extra funding.*

This can make a huge difference to how the school can support your child!

School Meals

Please note that the price of school meals will rise to **£10.25** per week (£2.05 per day) from the beginning of next term.

Remember the Holiday Rules!

Stay safe

Have Fun

Read plenty of books! (Visit the library)

*School will close for the summer on
Friday 12 July at 3.00pm.*

*School will re-open for the Autumn term on
Thursday 29 August at 8.40am.*