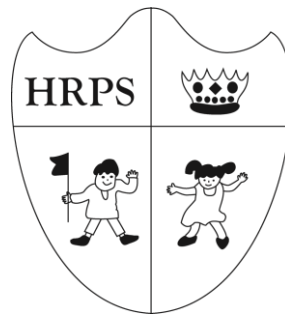


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NEWSLETTER

14 October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had another exciting week at Houghton Regis Primary School. We had a successful harvest festival led by our Year 3 and 4 children. The children sang and performed well and a good amount of food was raised for a local food bank. A big thank you to all parents who contributed towards this. Miss Waller will be uploading the video of the performance to google classroom for all parents to view by the start of next week. Please look out for this. There have also been exciting recent 'wow event' including the visit from the fire department which features later in this newsletter.

Parking Issues

We have received a large amount of complaints from neighbours around parents and carers blocking drive ways, parking on give ways and committing other traffic offences. Please can I ask again that parents and carers are more thoughtful when dropping off and collecting children from school? This is a continued issue that all parents and carers need to consider both in terms of health and safety and community relations.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Our hardworking and strategic thinking governing body require an additional parent governor to join the board. If you are interested in the role please feel free to contact me to discuss the role. Our Chair of Governors, Mr T Muldownie and other parent governor Mrs Sam O'Connell are also more than happy to talk to potential candidates. Application packs are available from the school office. If you are interested in this vacancy, please make contact before the end of this half term.

INSET Day

A polite reminder that school will not be open for children on Friday, 21 October 2022 as staff have a training day.

Yours sincerely

J Edwards

Mr J Edwards
Headteacher

A visit from the Fire Department

Last Friday, Early Years were visited by the Dunstable Fire Department. The firefighters arrived wearing their uniform and spoke to the children about their roles and responsibilities. They told the children about the types of jobs they have attended. The firefighters explained the importance of calling '999' if there is an emergency.

Next, the children walked outside to find a fire engine parked in our car park! The firefighters walked the children around the vehicle and explained how the different parts of the vehicle worked. The children then had the opportunity to spray water on the teachers' cars using the hose.

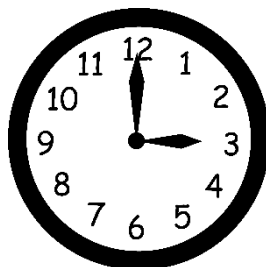
The children had a lovely day learning from the firefighters. Thank you to Dunstable Fire Department!





Changes to the School Day

Due to changes to school hours introduced by Central government we will be changing the finish time to 3:15 for all classes. This change will be actioned from January 2023.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Event	Year groups involved	Date
<u>School Events</u>		
Parents' Evening	All	Monday, 17 October 2022 – 3:30-6:30pm
		Tuesday, 18 October 2022- 5:00-7:30pm
Celtic Harmony	Year 3	Monday, 31 October 2022
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Tuesday, 6 December 2022 - 1:45 – 3.00pm
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Wednesday, 7 December 2022- 9:15 – 10:15am
Reception Nativity	Reception	Wednesday, 7 December 2022 - 2.00 – 3.00pm
<u>PTA Events</u>		
Annual General Meeting	PTA	Wednesday, 9 November – 6:00-7:00pm
Christmas Gift Alley	All	Friday, 9 December
Christmas Disco	All	Monday, 12 December

Attendance

KS1 – Purple Class 97.3%

KS2 – Emerald Class 97.1%



Houghton Regis Primary School
PTA

AGM
Annual General Meeting





EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Stay informed and get involved.

Wednesday 9th November
6pm- 7pm- Amber class

Parentkind
Member Association



STAR AWARDS

			
Danny DETERMINATION says, "DON'T GIVE UP."	Colin CURIOSITY says, "THINK FOR YOURSELF."	Chloe COMMUNICATION says, "RESPECT OTHERS."	Izzy INDEPENDENCE says, "DO YOUR BEST."
Sarah B	Alex V	Jake L	Logan S
Oliver S	Liam T	Ava-Kate B	Lara-Eva C
George T	Kai B	Mikael I	Cezary G
Kevinas M	Kalina W	Julia Z	Evie
Kyle B		Isobel B	Sophie
Lois U		Victoria S	
Danny G		Elsie H	
Clayton G		Kaliah B-S	
Breda S		Mia S	
Jayce G			

Secondary School Applications

A gentle reminder for Year 6 parents - applications for Secondary Schools are required by Monday, 31.10.2022. We have received notification from the LA, that a number of our parents still have not submitted an application.