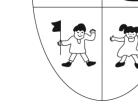
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#### **NEWSLETTER**

9 June 2023

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

#### **Staffing Updates**

We have several new staff members due to start in September 2023. Miss Megan Davidson is an experienced Year 1 and Year 2 teacher and is excited to be joining the senior leadership team as KS1 and English Leader from September 2023. Miss Davidson has big shoes to fill replacing Mrs Laura Bonney, who has been a long standing and well-loved member of staff for over thirty years at our school. Mrs Bonney has even taught quite a few of the parents! We wish Mrs Bonney a happy and healthy retirement with her family.

Miss Sarah Konga is an excellent young teacher having been recently and very thoroughly trained by the University of Hertfordshire. Miss Konga joins our KS2 team full time in September but will also be working with Year 5 on Thursdays and Fridays in advance of her starting date to get to know the school and pupils, prior to starting full time in September.

We also say goodbye to Mr Hewitt who has secured a promotion at another local school and to Miss Madeleine Coates who has secured work nearer to her home. We wish these members of our staff team the very best for their future careers within the education sector.

#### Year 3 trip to London Transport Museum, Thursday 8 June

Yellow and Elizabeth Classes both enjoyed a great day in London yesterday and before half term. They travelled on Thameslink and underground trains to the London Transport Museum and it was great to see so many children experiencing this kind of journey for the first time. In the Museum, the children were able to explore trains, buses and tube trains from a range of time periods and this allowed them to consider what it was like to travel on these modes of transport many years ago. The children used their prior knowledge of the railways to further understand how trains have developed, what is the same and what is different about transport now and how they think transport will develop further. The children also had an opportunity to drive their own tube train and follow a set of instructions to fix a problem on a train. The children's behaviour while travelling and in the museum was brilliant and they should be very proud of themselves.





I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

James Edwards

Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS				
Event	Year groups involved	Date		
Walton-on-the-Naze trip	Reception, Year 1 and 2	Tuesday, 13 June and Wednesday, 28 June		

# This week's Attendance Awards Reception/KS1 Prince

Louis- Purple 97%

Lower KS2 Princess Charlotte – Yellow 96.5%

KS2 Prince George – Amber 96.3%















#### **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."
Arthur R	Vlad R	Lou-Lou G	Adam B
Scarlett-Mae B	Paul D-J	Zaima Z	Chloe H
Sameer D	Teymullah A	Everly K-A	Reggie H-W
Moses K	Mia T	Elijah O	Allayah A
Willow D		Nicolas P	Sherwain T
Bella S		Anton R	Kyrie A
Cristian M			Chloe S
Abeeha U			Ronnie D-W
Arthur S			Rabia B
			Noor B













# HOUGHTON REGIS PRIMARY **GOLD, BACK TO BACK!**



We are delighted to announce that we, Houghton Regis Primary, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2022/23 academic year again for the second year running.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

Years 5 & 6 Girls Football District Champions

Years 3 & 4 Mixed Gymnastics District Champions

Years 3 & 4 Mixed Cricket District Runners up

All children from Nursery to Year 6 taking part in the PE Curriculum

With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to: Mr Hewitt Mr Riordan Mrs White Mr Simmonds Miss Waller

We look forward to applying once again in 2024!































