



HEADTEACHER COMMENT

We have made a number of improvements around the site over the summer break, indeed I have already mentioned the extra security measures in place. In addition to these we have also upgraded our whole school sound system. One of the many benefits of the new system is to hand over two sessions of collective worship to the children. The children prepare their thought for the day during the week and then on Tuesday and Thursday make whole school announcements/broadcasts. This works really well and sets the children up for the day with inspiring thoughts.

ATTENDANCE (W.B. 12.09.16) (REMEMBER ABSENCE LINE: 675 4525)

Class	Lates	%Attend	Days Lost		Class	Lates	%Attend	Days Lost
RSBS Otters	0	88	3		RSBS Deer	0	91.43	3
RA	0	97.48	1.5		3B	3	91.03	13
RM	0	100	0		3S	1	99.33	1
1B	0	97.59	3.5		4B	1	96.43	5
1F	1	92	12		4M	1	99.31	1
2B	1	96.55	5		5A	3	95.67	6.5
2P	1	96.55	5		5H	2	94	9
					6H	2	97.59	3.5
Total	17	96.11	75.5		6S	1	97.67	3.5

We had a much better week last week and we are much closer to our ambitious target of 97%. Well done to RM and 3S who won the panda last week.

MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

We will be hosting the Macmillan coffee Afternoon on 30th September. Please put this date in your diary and come along and support this excellent charity, I hear it is going to be bigger and better this year and the fun will start at 2.00pm.

PARKING AT SCHOOL

I have been made aware that some parents are parking inconsiderately and not showing the normal level of support. One child was seen to get out of the passenger door on to the road and was narrowly missed by an oncoming car. On another occasion a reversing grey car narrowly missed a child whilst he was trying to cross the road! Could parents please be vigilant and use care when dropping off children, especially around the staff car parks.

SAFEGUARDING

The Designated Senior Lead (DSL) for safeguarding is Miss Parkes. If anyone has concerns regarding a child's welfare please inform her immediately. If you have any concerns about e-safety you should also speak to Miss Parkes. For advice, help or to make a report visit the safety centre at: www.ceop.police.uk. There are age appropriate buttons to click on to get advice and help.

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS AWARD

We will be working with UNICEF to achieve the UNICEF UK Rights Respecting Schools Award over the next three years. This means that we will embed children's rights in our school ethos and culture. The award is based on principles of equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation. A rights-respecting school is a community where children's rights are learned, taught, practiced, respected, protected and promoted.

If you would like further information on this award, please look at the website UNICEF.org.uk/rrsa, follow the link on our school website or email Mrs Pritchard at k.pritchard@hollywood.bham.sch.uk.

We will be introducing it to children over the next few weeks as we start our journey to becoming rights-respecting!

HOLLY HELPERS 2016

We are delighted and very proud that during the past week over 100 children have volunteered to be Holly Helpers here at Hollywood. Our Holly Helpers are children who give up part of their free time during the week to take on responsibilities, working together, learning new skills and helping to make Hollywood Primary School such a special place. The children earn tokens for helping contribute to wider school life that they are able to exchange for goods at the Holly Helper shop. We have librarians, first aiders, litter pickers, play leaders, scooter parking attendants, teacher assistants, chicken carers and book monitors, to name just a few!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individual photos will take place on 15th November from 8.30am in the school hall. Please make sure children are wearing full school uniform.

SCHOOL NURSE VISITS

Our school nurse will be in school every other Tuesday afternoon beginning on 27th September. This is no longer a drop in service, therefore if you wish to see Nicola please arrange an appointment time through Ms Schwartz in Year 4 (email: m.schwartz@hollywood.bham.sch.uk).

Please also see me if there are any new medical issues I need to be aware of or if you would like any advice/support. Many thanks, Ms Schwartz.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 27th September

Friday 30th September

DATE CHANGE: Teacher training day

Monday 31st October

Tuesday 3rd January

- Year 2 Information Evening 6.30pm

- Macmillan coffee afternoon at 2pm

- Friday 14th October – children not at school (takes place of Tuesday 3rd January)

- Teacher Training Children not at School

- Children return to school

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“The key elements in the art of working together are how to deal with change, how to deal with conflict, and how to reach our potential ... the needs of the team are best met when we meet the need of individuals” Max De Pree

Many thanks

Mr. S. Dix
(Headmaster)