Primary Newsletter

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In partnership with Highgate Primary School

Friday 21st September 2018
Ninth Edition



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! It has been so lovely to see all your children bright, refreshed and ready to engage in new learning! The newsletter shows how much they are doing already!

During the summer holidays, Emma Iliffe, BSL tutor decided that she would like other opportunities and has left Blanche Nevile School for ventures new. We wish Emma all the best and will miss her very much. In the meantime, the Senior Leadership Team is working closely with staff to ensure that BSL continues to be taught as far as possible while arrangements are made to cover Emma's timetable on a more permanent basis. Thank you to all the families who attended the Coffee Morning lead by Jane Mervyn, BSL Tutor which focused on Deaf Awareness and Deaf Identity.

On a practical note, if there have been any changes to the following, please let Haider know so that the Primary Team can be informed:

- Contact details such as addresses, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers
- Medical needs
- Dietary needs
- Food allergens or intolerances
- Transport arrangements
- Photo permission as we like to update the website and twitter as often as possible.

Best wishes,

Geraldine Santiago

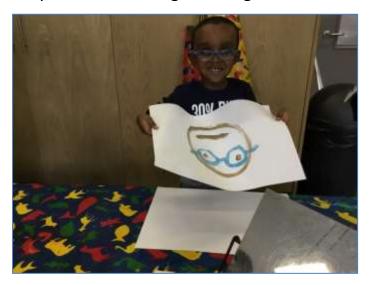
Headteacher



Emily's Class

It has been an exciting start to the new academic term as we have been welcoming new children into our EYFS class. The children have been helping their new friends feel welcome and are very pleased to see them when they arrive.

The children have been busy painting self-portraits and are beginning to add on their bodies. We have been reading stories about friendships and making new friends at school. They have also been spending time in the outdoor area riding bikes and participating in role play by pretending to be builders. They have been so busy that they've been enjoying some quiet time in the sensory den where they can watch the lights change colour.



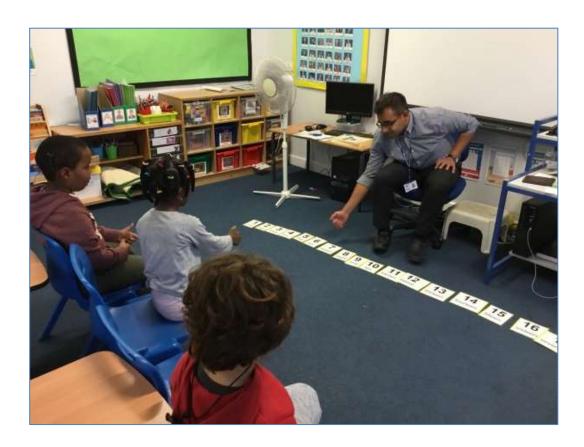




Omar's Class

The children have settled in really well to their new surroundings in our Year 1 classroom. In English, we have been learning how to write short verb sentences. In Maths, we have been practising our counting to 10 and 20. We also started our new topic, 'Our Senses', and our role play area has been transformed into a doctor's surgery.





Sharon's Class

In Year 2 our topic is 'Who Do You Think You Are?' finding out about ourselves and our families.

We looked carefully in the mirror then drew these fantastic Self-portraits using pastels. They look great in the frames we made for them!



Lauren's Class

We have had a very exciting start to the new term. We have kicked off the new term by learning about our new topic, 'The Tudors'.

We learnt about an important battle in our English History, the Battle of Bosworth in 1485. We talked about the War of Roses and how Henry Tudor became the King Henry V11 of England. We made swords and shields. Then we recreated the Battle of Bosworth at Highgate Woods.









Christian's Class

In English, Years 5 and 6 have been using *The Twits* by Roald Dahl to focus their learning. We've had some brilliant lessons, from making our own beards to making the best descriptive phrases we can. Aahil has come up with some fantastic, gory adjectives to describe Mr and Mrs Twit. Rada made a beautiful collage showing how Mrs Twit has developed throughout her life and Roselina has done excellently in using fronted adverbials in her writing and I look forward to seeing much more as we move through the year. We look forward to lots more over the coming few weeks.







New Supper Club for Parents

Michael Batoux's new Supper Club will take place on Friday 28th September 2018 at 7pm at Highgate Primary School. Follow the link below for more details, the menu and how to book.

https://www.highgateprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/supper-club

Bring your friends for a fabulous evening.

Many thanks,

The Office Team at Highgate Primary School



TASTE OF NORTH AFRICA FRIDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

Join us in our Dining Room for our first ever Supper Club, a North African culinary experience prepared by our talented chef Michael Batoux

Bring your own wine/beer £25 per person Starts 7pm

Invite your friends (sorry no children)

BOOK ON SCOPAY BY 21ST SEPTEMBER

Important Dates

| • | Tuesday 18 th September 2018 | Forest School for Year 2 (then fortnightly) |
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| • | Wednesday 19 th September 2018 (weekly) | Swimming Lessons for Year 4 |
| • | Friday 21 st September 2018 | Jeans for Genes day |
| • | Friday 21 st September 2018 | Drama therapy sessions to start for pupils in Years 2-6 |
| • | Thursday 4 th October 2018 | Bekonscot Model Village Trip(EYFS) |
| • | Thursday 4 th October 2018 | Year 4 Hampton Court Trip |
| • | Wednesday 10 th October 2018 | Harvest Assembly 9.30am |
| • | Thursday 11 th October 2018 | Flu vaccinations for all pupils |
| • | Thursday 18 th October 2018 | EYFS Topsy Turvy Trip (Soft-play) |
| • | Friday 19 th October 2018 | Last Day of Autumn (1) Term |
| • | Monday 22 nd – 26 th Oct 2018 | HALF TERM (School Closed) |
| • | Monday 29 th October 2018 | Start of Autumn Term (2) |

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely summer break. It has been wonderful to welcome back the pupils after the holiday and see how much they've grown and changed over the six week holiday.

We have had another busy start to the school year with a visit from author Alesha Dixon, exciting new topics, class assemblies, Tudor battles and fun along the way! We also had a very informative Coffee Morning on Tuesday 18th September. The focus was on Deaf Awareness and Deaf Identity and it was led by Jane Mervyn our BSL Tutor who is based at Secondary. Thank you to all of the parents that attended the session we hope you found it useful.

You will soon receive some information regarding the Parent Consultations that are planned for Tuesday 9th October. We also hope that you will be able to join us for the Harvest celebrations on Wednesday 10th October.

As always, if you have any questions or queries then please use your Home/ School book to write to your child's class teacher. If you would like to leave a message with Haider in the office, please do so and he will pass it on.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Kathryn McCarthy
Assistant Headteacher.





