

Signpost



Dear Parents

Thanks to everyone who supported Jeans for Genes day last week. £211 was raised for this very worthwhile cause.

Children looked very smart yesterday for their school photos! The photographer will return soon for those children who were absent yesterday. This year we are again offering you the opportunity to have family photographs taken, which will arrive in time for Christmas. On Saturday 15th October our school hall will be turned into a studio, and you are welcome to bring family and friends for group portraits.

On Friday 21st October instead of our usual Celebration Assembly, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival. Parents are welcome to join us, but please be aware that the hall may be very crowded and we will not be able to accommodate pushchairs. Each year group will share a song, poem or artwork that they have been working on, and we will think about helping those less fortunate than ourselves. Once again we will be collecting donations for the Daily Bread Food Larder (CARE), who hand out emergency food parcels to local people experiencing difficulties in finding money to purchase food. A list of the sort of items you may wish to donate will be displayed in classroom windows. Donations may be brought into school on Thursday 20th or Friday 21st October.

Since our return to school several concerns have been raised about parents parking directly outside the school gate and blocking driveways. Please make sure you park safely and legally when dropping off and picking up. There is space for parking at Haverstoe Park, which is only a short walk from school. Thanks you for your consideration.

Parent consultation meetings will be held on 10th and 12th October. From Monday, you will be able to arrange an appointment by speaking to your child's class teacher or TA on the door in the morning or afternoon.

Thank you

Allie Majer

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 16/09/16

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was awarded to Silver Class this week.

Blue Class 95.0%, Yellow Class 97.7%, Red Class 96.9%, Orange Class 96.0%, Silver Class 100%, Purple Class 95.5%, Rainbow Class 95.3%, Green Class 96.6% and Pink Class 99.4%

The average attendance for every child should be 95.0% or higher.

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 23/09/16

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was awarded to Silver Class and Pink Class this week.

Blue Class 92.7%, Yellow Class 97.7%, Red Class 95.2%, Orange Class 97.3%, Silver Class 99.3%, Purple Class 97.9%, Rainbow Class 96.0%, Green Class 97.2% and Pink Class 96.5%

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w/c 3rd October 2016





School dinner/packed lunch – Please could we ask that one full week’s notice is given if you wish to change between school dinner and packed lunch.

School Office

Please note that the school office and telephone is staffed between 8.15am and 3.45pm. An answerphone service operates outside these hours.

Leave of absence

If you need to take your child out of school (other than medical appointments), please complete a Leave of Absence Form (available from the school office). If the absence request is for a holiday, evidence of it being an ‘exceptional circumstance’ **must be submitted with the request.**

The Signhills Blog

The Signpost Newsletter is usually published on a Friday every two weeks. It will be available by email, on our school website and the Signhills blog. Paper copies will be available from the school office.

We have established a Signhills blog - signhillsblog.wordpress.com – and we use this to let you know about events and activities in school. Signpost will also be published here. There is a link on the blog so you can ‘follow’, and it is also linked to a Twitter feed - @signhillsblog.

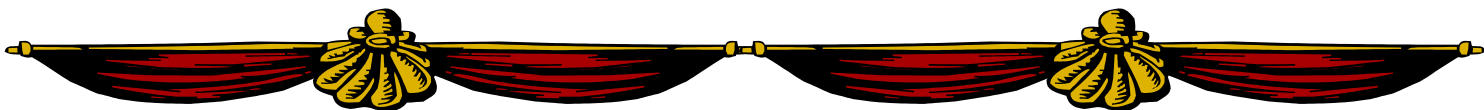
Appointments – If your child needs to attend an appointment for doctor, dentist, opticians or hospital during school time – I would be grateful if you could bring in the appointment card/letter to the School Office for us to copy for our records. Where possible these appointments should be made outside school hours.

Pastoral Advice and Support – If you have any concerns regarding your child’s academic, emotional and physical wellbeing, please see your child’s class teacher in the first instance. If you would like to speak to our learning mentor, Mrs Barrett, or our Deputy Head, Mrs Whitham, please make an appointment at the school office.

PARKING – When coming to or collecting from school, please can you ensure you park in a safe and appropriate place. **DO NOT** block dropped kerbs, stop/park on zig-zag lines or park on the corner of a road, all of which are an offence.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – TERM 1 AND 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
FITC – Year 2 19 th Sept - 5 th Dec (9 weeks) Collect from Hall 4.20pm No Session on 10 th & 31 st Oct	Yoga – Year 1 & Year 2 20 th Sept – 29 th Nov (10 weeks) Collect from Hall 4.10pm	Martial Arts – Year 1 & Year 2 21 st Sept – 7 th Dec (10 weeks) Collect from Hall 4.10pm No Session on 12 th Oct	Fit n Fun – Year 1 & Year 2 22 nd Sept – 1 st Dec (10 weeks) Collect from Hall 4.10pm
Lego Club – Year 2/Group 1 19 th Sept - 17 th Oct (5 weeks) Collect from Year 1 door 4.10pm			Choir – Year 1 & Year 2 22 nd Sept – 1 st Dec (10 weeks) Collect from Year 1 door 4.20pm
			Recorders – Year 1 & Year 2 22 nd Sept – 1 st Dec (10 weeks) Lunchtime Club



DIARY DATES

October

Friday 7 th	Year 2 Celebration Assembly
Monday 10 th	Parent Consultations 2.00pm – 6.00pm
Wednesday 12 th	Parent Consultation 2.00pm – 5.30pm
Thursday 13 th	Flu immunisations
Friday 14 th	Year 1 Celebration Assembly
Saturday 15 th	Family Photograph Session 9.00am – 4.00pm
Monday 17 th	Year 1 Christening at St Peter's Church Individual photograph forms to be returned
Tuesday 18 th	Reception Drop-in Session 9.00am – 9.40am
Thursday 20 th	Year 2 Parent Sharing Session 2.30pm – 3.10pm
Friday 21 st	Year 1 Parent Sharing Session 2.45pm – 3.10pm Harvest Festival 9.10am End of Term 1

November

Monday 31 st	School closed for staff training
Tuesday 1 st	School begins 8.55am – Term 2
Friday 4 th	Year 2 Celebration Assembly
Friday 11 th	Year 1 Celebration Assembly
Friday 18 th	Children in Need
Friday 25 th	Year 2 Celebration Assembly

December

Friday 2 nd	Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 6 th	Reception Christmas Play – Blue Class
Wednesday 7 th	Reception Christmas Play – Red Class
Thursday 8 th	Reception Christmas Play – Yellow Class
Friday 9 th	Year 1 Christmas Assembly Christmas Fair
Monday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 13 th	Reception Party Day
Wednesday 14 th	Year 1 Party Day
Thursday 15 th	Year 2 Party Day
Friday 16 th	End of Term 2



NEXT EDITION: FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2016