

Signpost

Dear Parents and Carers

It was great to see so many children wearing red today in support of Comic Relief. This afternoon we are all heading over to the Junior hall for a Red Nose Day disco to end the week.

Preparations are well underway in Year 1 for their performances of 'There's a Sunflower In My Supper'. The children are looking forward to performing and have been practising their singing and narration. Children in Year 2 have also been singing recently, giving a great performance in the Infant Singing Festival at the Auditorium last week. The children enjoyed the day, and looked and sounded brilliant!

Children in Reception enjoyed sharing their learning with parents this week. There were lots of exciting learning activities to share, and some parents would have liked to stay and play all day! Thank you to everyone who attended.

Parents of children in Year 1 may remember Mrs Pennell, who taught in Silver class before Christmas. In 2 weeks time she will be returning to Year 1 for the final placement of her teacher training and teaching Purple class alongside Mrs Dawson. Mrs Pennell has been in school this week, and the children are pleased to welcome her back.

Spring 2017 Parent and Pupil Surveys

This half term we conducted pupil and parent surveys. Pupil surveys were carried out in class. Any children who indicated that they didn't feel safe in school later discussed this with their teacher or TA, so that we can address any concerns they may have. Thank you to those parents and carers who completed the survey. We had 16 responses. The winner of the Freshney Place voucher is Mrs East.

Pupil Survey:

School scores (total number of each):

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1	I like school	15	6%	53	21%	188	73%
2	I like learning	21	8%	36	14%	199	78%
3	Lessons are fun	31	12%	43	17%	182	71%
4	The work is tricky	58	23%	71	28%	127	50%
5	The work is easy	39	15%	61	24%	156	61%
6	I try my hardest	8	3%	20	8%	228	89%
7	Children are kind to me	16	6%	64	25%	176	69%
8	Children behave well in my class	44	17%	75	29%	136	53%
9	I can tell one of my teachers if I'm sad or worried	11	4%	20	8%	225	88%
10	I feel safe in school	7	3%	17	7%	232	91%

256 pupils present on the day

Parent/Carer Survey:

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
My child likes school	100%	0	0
My child likes learning	94%	6%	0
My child is making good progress	94%	6%	0
My child receives appropriate homework	94%	6%	0
My child is taught well	94%	6%	0
Children behave well in my child's class	81%	0	18%
My child feels safe in school	100%	0	0
The school is well led and managed	94%	6%	0
I know how to raise a concern about my child's welfare or progress.	100%	0	0
I would recommend our school to other parents.	94%	0	6%

16 parents completed the survey; each response is 6%

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 10/03/17 **96.8%**

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

Blue Class 96.6%, Yellow Class 98.9%, Red Class 96.7%, Orange Class 96.0%, Silver Class 98.6%, Purple Class 92.7%, Rainbow Class 100%, Green Class 95.2% and Pink Class 96.5%

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

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 17/03/17 **96.0%**

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was not awarded this week.

Blue Class 96.9%, Yellow Class 92.3%, Red Class 91.7%, Orange Class 95.0%, Silver Class 97.2%, Purple Class 98.0%, Rainbow Class 96.7%, Green Class 96.9% and Pink Class 99.4%

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

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – TERM 3 AND 4

Please keep a note of these dates in your diary.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
FITC – Year 1 27 th March FINAL WEEK Collect from Hall 4.20pm	Yoga – All Year Groups 17 th Jan - 4 th April (10 weeks) Collect from Hall 4.10pm	Martial Arts – Year 1 & Year 2 29 th Mar FINAL WEEK Collect from Hall 4.10pm	Recorders – Year 1 & Year 2 19 th Jan - 6 th Apr (9 weeks) Lunchtime club
Lego Club – Year 2/Group 2 27 th Mar FINAL WEEK Collect from Year 1 door 4.10pm			Choir – All Year Groups 19 th Jan – 6 th Apr (10 weeks) Collect from Year 1 door 4.00pm
			Fit n Fun – Year 1 & Year 2 30 th Mar FINAL WEEK Collect from Hall 4.10pm

w/c 27th March 2017



Hardy's Den – Due to building work over the Easter holiday, there will be no holiday childcare provision at Hardy's Den. It will re-open on the teacher training day on Monday 24th April.

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.

Cold weather – As the weather is changeable and we are having increasing spells of cold and wet conditions, may I ask that all children have appropriate footwear and coats.

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.** Please return forms with a minimum of six weeks notice.

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 in between each edition of the Signpost newsletter. Signpost will also be published here. There is a link on the website and blog so you can 'follow', and it is also linked to a Twitter feed - @signhillsblog. This is a good way to receive information to a second email address.

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, 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.

Dogs – Could we please remind you that dogs are NOT to be brought into the school or grounds, except for guide dogs. (This includes carrying your dog) If dogs are left outside the school, could we ask that for Health and Safety reasons they do not obstruct the pavement or entrances. Thank you.

Sainsburys Vouchers – we have once again registered for this scheme. If you or your family receive any vouchers with your shopping, would you be kind enough to send them into school with your child; there is a collection box in the school office.



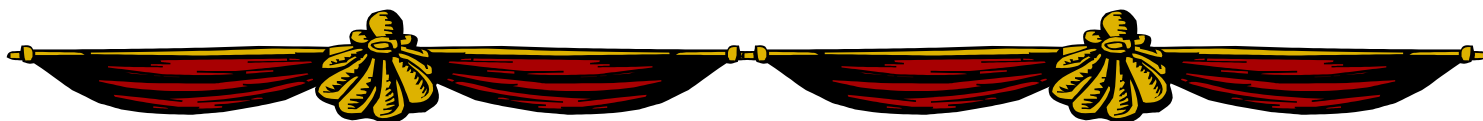
TERM 3

SIGNHILLS STARS

13/01/17	Carson Blythin Jacob Edwards	Saya Loftus Lily-Rose Roberts	Junior Russell	Martha Skudder
20/01/17	Benjamin Hollamby Ava Forsey	Nanci Robinson Matthew Telford	Jax Grant	Millie Stanforth
27/01/17	Noah Franks Olivia Kay	Esmail Moore Charlie Cox	Kieran Nicolson	Eden Woodward
03/02/17	Hollie Davy Riley Washington	Riley Hughes Harriet Wakefield	William Hudson	Ellis Bell
10/02/17	Erin Reavey Leah Peel	Amy Walgate Layla Winterburn	Jessica Storer	Noah Butters
17/02/17	Marlie McDaid Harry Funnell	Luca Illingworth Grayson Jones-Brown	Isabella Sheppard	Alfie Holden-Haste

SENSATIONAL STARS

13/01/17	Noah Gillin	Amelia Hepton	Zack Sveinsson
20/01/17	Lydia Thickett	Reuben Harris	Max Harley-Quinlan
27/01/17	Ronnie Allison	Brooke Taff	Megan Matthews
03/02/17	Noah Farrell	Christine Bota	Theo Smith
10/02/17	Joseph Grice	Mia Smith	Alfie Maggs
17/02/17	Stanley Zhang	Lily Drewery	Evie Love



DIARY DATES

Year 1 Easter Plays begin at 9.30am. Please enter through the main entrance. The doors will open shortly after 9am.

<u>March</u>	Tue 28 th	Year 1 Easter Play – Orange Class
	Wed 29 th	Year 1 Easter Play – Purple Class
	Thurs 30 th	Year 1 Easter Play – Silver Class
<u>April</u>	Tues 4 th	YEAR 2 swimming – please note the change of day
	Wed 5 th	YEAR 1 swimming – please note the change of day
	Fri 7 th	Reception Celebration Assembly
	Fri 7 th	End of Term 4
	Mon 24 th Tue 25 th	School closed – Teacher training day School opens 8.50am
<u>May</u>	Mon 1 st	School closed – Bank holiday
	Tue 9 th	Reception swimming begins

