



Happy new academic year to you all and I hope everyone had a great summer. We have had a great start to the new year with our newest children settling quickly and starting successfully in EYFS.

Site updates- You may have noticed that the last section of artificial grass has been installed at the front of the school around the outdoor classroom along with a new climbing wall. These were partly funded by the Friends of Hartsfield School (FHSA) and have proved popular with all the children. Having an area that can be used all-year around extends our playground and gives children space to play when the main field cannot be used. The steps between the upper and lower playground have also been re-laid- these were originally laid 40 years ago and proved to be a bigger job than thought! Upcoming projects this term include having noise reducing curtains installed in the gym/dining room and having the aluminium windows replaced in the Year 5 and 6 area of the school.

Diary Dates-To aid your planning, we have sorted dates for various assemblies and performances to parents and they are noted here as well as on the website. Timings are still to be confirmed but performances and assemblies are in the afternoon and will finish by the end of the school day. Mrs Caldwell's 'Friday Flyer' emails each week are always a great source of information and updates and exact timings will be confirmed nearer the time.

Term dates for this academic are on the school website. Please note the dates for National assessments across the school. Also note that the school will be closed on 2 Fridays this term: 20th October (INSET) and 24th November 2023 (Occasional Day)

Friends of Hartsfield School (FHSA) – The Friends have numerous events planned for this term. Your support is appreciated as all funds raised are used to improve the school for our children. Their first event is the Quiz night on 7th October- watch out for how to order tickets etc. The Winter Fair is on 18th November.

Food Bank Collection- Harvest assemblies are on Friday 6th October with food donations really appreciated- we will share a list of their requested items shortly.

Parent-teacher consultations- we will be holding these in person this term (17th and 19th October). We will send details of how to book online nearer the time.

DIARY DATES

September 2023

19 Year 1 Phonics session for parents @2.30 pm
20 FHSA AGM @ 7.30 pm
22 MacMillan cake sale @3.10
26 EYFS Parent Evening @ 6.00pm
27 Year 4 Egyptian Day
27 Year 6 Height & Weight Checks

October 2023

4 Pret-a-portrait in for individual photos
6 Harvest Festival assemblies
7 FHSA Quiz Night
12 Girls Football tournament from 1.45 pm
13 Year 5 to Airbus
13 Year 4 assembly to parents @2.45 pm
17 Parents Evening 4.00 -7.00 pm
17 Year 6 A team netball tournament @St Francis
18 EYFS food education sessions with 'Creative Chefs'
19 Parents Evening 4.00-7.00 pm
19 Year 6 B team netball tournament @St Francis
20 INSET day- school closed
23-27 Half term
31 Stagecoach sessions
31 Year 7 application deadline

November 2023

1 Year 6 to RAF Hendon
2 Stagecoach sessions
2 Year 6 Boys A team football tournament from 1.30 pm
3 Non-school uniform day- bring in a donation-Winter Fair
7 Flu Vaccinations
9 Year 6 Boys B team football tournament from 1.30 pm
10 Year 6 assembly to parents @2.45 pm
17 Children in Need
18 Winter Fair
20 School nurses into Year 6
24 Occasional Day- school closed.

December 2023

1 FHSA Wrap-a-Present
7 EYFS performance to parents (pm)
11 Year 1 and 2 performance to parents (1 of 2) pm
12 Year 1 and 2 performance to parents (1 of 2) pm
13 Christmas dinner
14 Whole school pantomime
14 Year 3 and 4 concert to parents (1 of 2) pm
15 Year 3 and 4 concert to parents (1 of 2) pm
18 Year 5 performance to parents pm
20 Last day of term- 1.30 pm finish

Thank you for your continued support.
*Philippa Smith and the Hartsfield
Team*