

Howes Primary School Newsletter: 31st March 2017

STOP PRESS

We have received some positive feedback from families about the newsletter being sent home every two weeks this term and we have had lots of visitors to the school website and Twitter to keep up to date with information. Next term we will continue to send the newsletter home every other week.

Make sure that you keep up to date by visiting www.howesprimary.co.uk or by following



@HowesCoventry

Friends of Howes Easter Egg Competition Nursery – Year 6



The competition for decorating an egg will continue this year. The eggs can be decorated in any style. The deadline for entries is 9am on Monday 3rd April as this is when they will be judged and 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes will be given for each class. Everyone that enters the competition will receive a small chocolate by way of a thank you for taking part.



Congratulations to Years 3 and 4 for their wonderful performances of Porridge this week. We were all very impressed with your acting and singing.

Thank you to all of the adults who helped to put the performance together.

Thank you to everyone who completed the feedback form from the performance. The children really enjoy listening to your thoughts about the performance.

Staffing News

After Easter Mrs Foskett will be taking the lead in Nursery for the summer term. Mrs Foskett is well-known to all of the children and families and will be well supported by two Nursery Nurses who will be joining Howes after the Easter holiday. This will mean that there will be three adults working with the children in Nursery during the summer term. Wishing Good Luck to Mrs Holst as she leaves us next Friday.

Mr Elliott will be leaving us at the end of this term, so Mrs Cotton will be working in Year 3 every morning after Easter. She will continue to support in Year 2 for two afternoons a week. Good Luck Mr Elliott.

At the end of May we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Elkin who works in H1U as she is retiring. All of the staff and children will greatly miss you Mrs Elkin. I am sure that you join with us in wishing her well.

Good Luck

Wishing many congratulations to Miss McKinlay who will be getting married during the Easter holiday.



When she returns after Easter we will all have to remember to call her Mrs Burke!



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Thank

you to
everybody that

help to raise money for Comic Relief last Friday. We are very pleased to announce that we raised £332 from selling red noses and £107.94 from donations for the cakes and for wearing non uniform.

Book Fair



Thank you to everyone who came to the book fair. In total £707.29 was spent at the fair, which means that the school receive £352 worth of books.

Dance Club Assembly



Well done to all of the children who took part in the assembly this morning. We were all very impressed with your dancing. What a talented group of children you all are!

Year 5 and 6 Greek Museum

Thank you to everyone who came to see the Year 5 and 6 Greek Museum on Thursday.



Well done to all of the children in Year 5 and 6 for putting together such an enjoyable museum for us to learn about Ancient Greece.

Clubs- Summer term

On Monday a letter was sent home about clubs for the summer term. You were asked to return the letter by Wednesday 29th March. If you haven't already returned your form please do so as soon as possible as places at clubs have been filling up very fast and are now limited, thank you.



On Saturday 1st April Mrs Bolland, Mrs Mair, Mrs Cairns, Eve, Sharla, Nathan and Jay will be travelling over to Greece to work with our partner schools in Patras. During their visit Eve, Sharla, Nathan and Jay will be working with children from Malta, Norway, Poland, Greece and Italy on robotic activities.

For more details about the project please visit www.find-project.eu

To see more information about our partner school in Patras please visit http://49dim-patras.ach.sch.gr/?page_id=538&lang=en

Attendance and Lateness

| Class | Attendance | | Lateness | |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Last week | This week | Last week | This week |
| Nursery | 100% | 100% | 0 | 2 |
| HIU | 85% | 90.7% | 1 | 4 |
| Reception | 98.6% | 94.9% | 4 | 9 |
| Year 1 | 91% | 92.7% | 6 | 8 |
| Year 2 | 95.4% | 95.7% | 2 | 3 |
| Year 3 | 96.5% | 92.2% | 4 | 1 |
| Year 4 | 96.7% | 96.7% | 3 | 2 |
| Year 5 | 96.4% | 96.1% | 4 | 2 |
| Year 6 | 97.9% | 97.9% | 5 | 2 |
| Overall | 95.5% | 95.2% | 29 | 33 |

Next week we will be giving certificates to children who have achieved 100% attendance for the term.

Keep trying hard everyone!

**SKY
BLUES**
in the COMMUNITY



Creating Opportunities. Fulfilling Potential.

Sky Blues in the Community run Fun Football Holiday Camps every school holiday. Our Football Camps are open to boys and girls aged 5-12 years old. The emphasis of these camps is for players to have fun and play plenty of games regardless of age or ability. Each camp day consists of a morning of skills, games and challenges followed by an afternoon of football matches and tournaments. All children attending a full camp will receive a Sky Blues Medal, CCFC Tickets and will be in with a chance of receiving one of three awards – the Respect Award, Star Player or the Coaches' Award. Winning any of these awards and you will play on the Ricoh Arena Pitch at half time during a CCFC game. To book please contact 02476 786 349 or visit <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/coventrycity/>

Changes to school funding- information for parents

The government is planning to introduce a new "National Funding Formula" for all schools from April 2018. This is now the subject of a consultation ending on the 22 March.

Unfortunately the impact of the planned changes will be to significantly reduce the money available to schools in Coventry. All schools in Coventry (except for 4 Primary) will receive less funding from April 2018 if this goes ahead as proposed.

Please support your school in ensuring that we get the right outcomes for all Coventry children and young people to be able to continue to give them the best possible education.

You can respond to the consultation at the link below; however, we recognise this is complex and you may choose to express your views by:

- Contacting your school and supporting their response to the consultation;
- Responding to an online petition to 'Reconsider The National Funding Formula so that NO child at school will LOSE out' – this can be accessed at: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/182705> ;
- Making representation via your local MP.

The Coventry MPs are:

Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): colleen.fletcher.mp@parliament.uk

Geoffrey Robinson (Coventry North West): robinsong@parliament.uk

James Cunningham (Coventry South) jim.cunningham.mp@parliament.uk

Link to the consultation: <https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula2/>

Easter Holiday Club



Pearl Hyde Primary School

Half Day Session £14 / School Day £18 /EASTER SPECIAL Full Day £20

For more information or to reserve a place

please call Donna 07807873895 / Jane 0780782559



1st- 7th April FIND Project visit to Greece (Mrs Bollands, Mrs Mair and Mrs Ceairns)

3rd April- Easter Egg competition winners announced

6th April Guitar and Choir Assembly 9am (parents invited)

7th April- 100% attendance certificates awarded

7th April- Winning House treat

7th April- Extra playtime for no Golden Time lost

7th April- End of the Spring term

24th April- Start of Term for the children

25th April Class Photographs

26th April Reception and Y6 height and weight checks



24th April- Start of term for the children

1st May- Bank Holiday- school closed

29th May-2nd June- Half term

5th-9th June- Training week for staff, school closed to the children

25th July- End of the summer term