

# Howes Primary School Newsletter: 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## Happy New Year!

Welcome back to you all. We hope that everyone had an enjoyable holiday and is feeling refreshed. We have a very busy term ahead so please check through all of the diary dates and keep up to date through our Twitter account and school website.

## Generous donation to Howes

A huge thank you to Chris Parkhurst. Chris attended Howes Primary School from 1955-59. He has very generously donated one adult and 2 child tickets to four Coventry City football matches. Between now and April, children who demonstrate good sportsmanship in PE lessons, clubs and sporting events will go into a draw each month and the child who is drawn will get the CCFC tickets.



### Tennis at Howes

We really enjoy tennis at Howes. Virgin Active run our tennis clubs and provide opportunities for pupils to have professional coaching sessions on full-size courts. The Tennis Foundation have commended us on our commitment to deaf tennis and have recently provided us with funding to extend this.

Tennis clubs at Howes are open to all ages and abilities. If your child is interested, they are very welcome to attend a FREE taster session. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 can attend on a Wednesday morning 8-8.55am. KS2 sessions are Mondays 8-8.55am. Elite sessions for more experienced players are Fridays 8-8.55. Deaf tennis sessions are on Tuesdays at 8.45.

### Year 5 and 6 Greek Day

On Wednesday Year 5 and 6 had an exciting Ancient Greek day learning about city states and the Ancient Olympics.

*"I thought the day was really great. I learnt lots of new things."* Naryan

*"My favourite part was the tug of war."*  
Libby



## Clubs Update



All clubs will start in the week beginning Monday 9th January (except Multisports – 26 Jan start). Before school clubs start at 8am promptly. Please can you let us know if your child no longer needs a place they have been given, as we can offer this place to another child.



We currently have a few places left at:

Infant tennis (suitable for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2) – Mondays 8-8.55am



Art club (KS2) – Wednesdays 12.30 – 1pm

Gymnastics – Wednesdays 3.15-4.15pm

Guitar -- Thursday afternoon 1 place.



Please contact the office if you want a place.

## Early Bird Week



Please can we remind you that next week is our first Early Bird Week at Howes. Each day that the children arrive on time for school they will receive a sticker on their chart. At the end of the week, the class with the best attendance will get a reward.

### **Class Newsletters**

Next week you will be receiving your child's class newsletter. This will be full of information about the curriculum, homework and events for your child's year group. If you have any questions about the information in the newsletter that please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

### *Parents Consultations*

*We will be holding parents consultations on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017.*

*These meetings will be for parents with children in Nursery through to Year 6.*

*Please look out for the letter next week and return the form as soon as possible in order that teachers are able to arrange the times.*



**twitter**

**@HowesCoventry**

Find out all the latest news from Howes by following us on Twitter. There is news about events and photos of our exciting learning. Please feel free to like our tweets or retweet us.

### **Attendance and Lateness**

**Please can we remind all families that the bell rings at 8:55am.**

**Absence phone line: please telephone the school office on 02476411711 as soon as possible.**

Class	Attendance	Lateness
Nursery	100%	1
HIU	91.5%	2
Reception	99.4%	0
Year 1	88.5%	3
Year 2	95.7%	3
Year 3	93.5%	1
Year 4	88%	2
Year 5	91%	2
Year 6	94%	1
<b>Overall</b>	<b>92.9%</b>	<b>15</b>

**Attendance is a priority at Howes.**

**Please work with us to ensure that your child attends school every day and on time.**



9<sup>th</sup> January- Clubs start this week

9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> January- Early Bird Week

10<sup>th</sup> January- Dol-Y-Moch information session for parents  
3:30-4pm

11<sup>th</sup> January- Friends of Howes meeting 6-7pm

17<sup>th</sup> January- Year 1/2 visit to Warwick Castle

18<sup>th</sup> January- Y6 girls visiting BAM

19<sup>th</sup> January- Y3/4 visiting Coombe Abbey

20<sup>th</sup> January- Y2 Family library visit

27<sup>th</sup> January- Young Voices trip for Y3/4

# February

1<sup>st</sup> February- Fire Service visiting Y4

8<sup>th</sup> February- Friends of Howes meeting 6-7pm

15<sup>th</sup> February- Parents Consultations

20<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> February- Half term

# March

2<sup>nd</sup> March- World Book Day

8<sup>th</sup> March- Friends of Howes meeting 6-7pm

14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 to Dol-Y-Moch

21<sup>st</sup> March- Staff Surgery 3:30-4pm

27<sup>th</sup> March- Year 3/4 dress rehearsal

28<sup>th</sup> March- Year 3/4 performances 2pm and 6pm



1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> April FIND Project visit to Greece (Mrs Bollands, Mrs Mair, Miss Mundy and Mrs Cairns)

3<sup>rd</sup> April- Easter Egg competition winners announced

7<sup>th</sup> April- 100% attendance certificates awarded

7<sup>th</sup> April- Winning House treat

7<sup>th</sup> April- Extra playtime for no Golden Time lost

7<sup>th</sup> April- End of the Spring term



24<sup>th</sup> April- Start of term for the children

1<sup>st</sup> May- Bank Holiday- school closed

29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June- Half term

5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> June- Training week for staff, school closed to the children

25<sup>th</sup> July- End of the summer term