

Staff Development Days for the Academic Year 2018-2019

- **Monday 3rd September 2018**
- **Tuesday 4th September 2018**
- **Friday 21st December 2018**
- **Monday 7th January 2019**
- **Monday 3rd June 2019**

School Uniform

Often, parents/carers buy new uniform ready for the start of the academic year. Please remember to label your children's clothing so any lost items can be returned easily to their owner. Due to a shortage of space on children's pegs we would be grateful if you would not buy large school bags. Our purple school bags or similar are ideal because they fit into trays in the classroom and are easily accessible for reading books etc. during the day. In addition, please remember that children should not wear earrings to school.



Attendance Matters!

Please do not book holidays during term time— term dates for 2018-2019 are on the school website. Attendance in school is important for ensuring your child makes good progress across the year.



Stay safe and have a fabulous summer holiday everyone!
See you on September 5th!

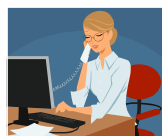
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July 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

The summer holidays will soon be upon us. Another term at Black Horse Hill has raced by. Trying to pick out some highlights is difficult because there have been so many memorable learning opportunities happening in school, such as school trips, an inflatable assault course, class assemblies, a virtual trip to London and our Cultural Week. But quite possibly watching the children on Sports Day is one of the highlights for me because of how encouraging and supportive the children were of each other.

May I take this opportunity to thank parents/carers, governors, FDBHHS and of course our staff for the part that they have played in ensuring that we have had another successful year at Black Horse Hill Infant School. By working closely together we are able to secure the best possible outcomes for our children.

Sadly, we have to say goodbye to our Year 2 children and their families as they move to the Junior School. They have been a fantastic year group and they will be missed by us all.

Enjoy your summer, wherever you go or whatever you are doing and I look forward to seeing you all refreshed in the new term.

J. Morris

Diary Dates



July

Tues 24th

School closes for Summer holidays
3.05pm

September

Monday 3rd

Staff Development day (Teachers only)

Tuesday 4th

Staff Development day (Teachers only)

Wednesday 5th

Children return to school (8.50am)

Wed 19th

Foundation 2 Curriculum Evening
(6pm)

Wed 26th

Year 1 Curriculum Evening (6pm)

Thurs 27th

Year 2 Curriculum Evening (6pm)

October

Wed 3rd

Individual School Photographs

Fri 19th

Children finish school
for half-term (3.05pm)
Non-Uniform £1 donation

Mon 29th

**Children return to school
(8.50am)**

Black Horse Hill Infant School

Staff Deployment for September 2018

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Foundation 1	Mrs Honeybourne	Mrs Boardman
Foundation 2	Mrs Eccles (Mon-Wed) Mrs Bancroft (Wed-Fri)	Mrs Myers
Foundation 2	Mrs Lucan-Pratt	Miss Barnes Mrs Peddie
Year 1	Mrs McLeod	Mrs Thompson
Year 1	Mr Young	Mrs Underwood
Year 2	Miss Murphy (Formerly Mrs Shaw) Miss Wilson (Teaching Student)	Mrs Gill (works across Yr2)
Year 2	Mrs Fitzgerald	Mr Dagnall/Mrs Costello

Our current Foundation 2 and Year 1 classes will move to the teachers indicated below:

Current Class	New Class (Sept 2018)
Mrs McLeod (1McL)	Mrs Fitzgerald (2JF)
Mr Young (1CY)	Miss Murphy formerly Mrs Shaw (2TM)
Mrs Lucan-Pratt (F2SLP)	Mr Young (1CY)
Mrs Eccles/Mrs Bancroft (F2BE)	Mrs McLeod (1McL)

Miss Cross is our Learning Mentor and she works with different children and classes across the school.

Summer Reading

Please try to continue to read with your child over the summer holidays. Reading for five-ten minutes every day will mean that the reading skills they have learned over the year will stay with them. Perhaps you could look at some of your child's favourite books in their school Bug Club account or you might like to join the summer reading challenge which is run by local libraries. This year the reading challenge is called Mischief Makers. In September the children who have read six or more books during the holidays are awarded a certificate and medal. For more information pop into the library or visit www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk. It is completely free!



Good-bye Mr Cooper

Unfortunately, it isn't just our Year 2 children that we will be saying goodbye to at the end of this academic year as our caretaker Mr Laurence Cooper is retiring. Laurence has worked at Black Horse Hill Infant School for twelve years. Not only has Laurence worked very hard over the years to make sure that the school is clean and safe for the children but he has fetched balls off the roof, cleaned pathways after snow, rescued sick birds, put out countless chairs for assemblies, set out the sports field for sports day and possibly his favourite job, judged the Easter Bonnet Parade. The staff and children are going to miss Mr Cooper lots but we hope that he has a long and happy retirement. Good Luck Mr Cooper.

FOBHHS

Thank you to everyone who gave their time to attend, help or support our Summer Fair on Saturday 23rd June. We were extremely lucky with the weather this year and the event was very well attended. £1,800 was raised and will be shared between the Infant and Junior Schools.

Similarly, a special mention must also go to Abbie and Jeremy Cowan who organised a fabulous wine-tasting event held at West Kirby Arts Centre which raised a staggering £521. Thanks to the Burnt Truffle, Whitmore & White, Sue Ainger Nails and The Underground Training Station who provided prizes for the raffle.

My sincere thanks go to our dedicated team of parents who work so hard to raise much needed funds for our schools. A special thank you must go to Martina Bird who leads the team in creating new and exciting ways to generate funding. Please contact Mrs Harris in the school office if you would like to join FOBHHS.

Governor Walk Around

On Friday 13th July several members of our Governing Body came to visit school. The main purpose of the visit was for governors to look at the standard of children's work in books and to look at how we meet the requirements of the National Curriculum. During the visit, the children from Foundation 1 to Year 2 showed their work and talked about what they had enjoyed learning about during the year. The children were, quite rightly, very proud of what they had achieved and they really enjoyed sharing this information with governors. It was a lovely morning for all involved.

Parent/Carer Questionnaires

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have taken the time to complete our end of year parental questionnaires. The questionnaires will be reviewed over the Summer and feedback will be given to parents and our Governing Body in the Autumn term. We will of course use your views to further improve school life for the children at Black Horse Hill Infant School.