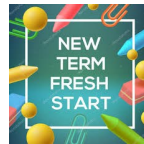


Friday 10 January 2020

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Welcome back to the Spring Term. It's always good to get back into routine and we hope the term ahead is positive and full of more South Hill memories.

Mayor Visit

We were delighted to welcome the Mayor of Dacorum, Terry Douris, to South Hill today. He spoke to the whole school in assembly and the school council asked him questions about his work.



Resilience

The staff had a super INSET Day on Monday led by Dr Kathy Weston on Resilience. She is a motivational speaker and hosts a live radio show in Hertfordshire. Dr Weston supports boosting resilience in young children in support of their emotional wellbeing and works with parents and schools. Please do take a look at her work - <https://www.drkathyweston.com/>

Pupil Wellbeing

We would like to continue to work closely with parents this term in order to support a smooth day for our pupils. In light of this and as an outcome of our work with Dr Weston, please do contact or speak to your child's class teacher to inform us of any issues or events at home that may affect your child at school. It is so important that we work together here. You may wish to email the office on the admin email who will pass your message on or talk directly to either of us as Co-Headteacher. You are always welcome.

Tik Tok

It has come to our attention that some pupils are upsetting other pupils in their use of Tik Tok. We ask that as parents, you closely monitor your child's use of social media. Negative comments can have a detrimental effect on pupils.

Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers - all years

You are warmly invited to our Reading Workshop on Wednesday 29 January at 9.00am in the hall to hear about reading across the school. From 9.30-10.00am, you will have the chance to go into your child's class to observe reading activities and from 10.00-10.30, you will be able to move classes if you have more than one child at school.

Reading Records

All pupils have a Reading Record which acts as a log to check what pupils have read and when. We would like to remind you to sign and check these logs. We expect our pupils to read at least five times per week (a page or two is fine). This promotes a consistent reading approach.

Unauthorised Absences

May we remind you that any holidays taken in term time will be marked as unauthorised. Continual unauthorised absences may result in a fine.

Parking on Heath Lane

We have received a complaint from a resident of Heath Lane that the same two cars regularly park across their drive making it impossible for them to get in or out of their drive. Please be mindful of where you park when dropping off or collecting your children.

Term and Holiday Dates 2020-2021

Please find attached the term dates for the next academic year.

Headlice

It is really important to regularly check your child's hair for headlice. A case has already been reported this term. Guidance about headlice is attached.

Girls' Football

Reminder that this club is now on Fridays after school with the first session on 17 January.

Netball Club

There will be **no** netball club on Monday 13 January due to an away match taking place that afternoon.

Catch Up Sessions for Flu Vaccine (nasal spray)

Please see that attached letter from the School Immunisation Team regarding catch up sessions in January.

Jeans for Genes Day 2019

We received a thank you from Genetic Disorders UK for taking part in Jeans for Genes Day last year and for raising £290.45. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



Miss Wellbelove and Miss Wren
Co-Headteachers



Thank you to our WONDERFUL PTA, and the parents of South Hill, this is what your support of our wonderful events looks like. We now have half of the books for our new reading scheme (and some truly beautiful books) that will be available for children to bring home after Christmas. Mr Shane.



Dates for your Diaries	
January 2020	
Wednesday 15	Ash Meet the Teacher (Mrs Lloyd) 3.30pm
Thursday 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Census - Hot Dog lunch Y5 Art Workshop with Abbot's Hill School Ash Meet the Teacher (Mrs Ghedia) 3.30pm
Friday 17	Y4 swimming starts today
Wednesday 22	Maple Class Assembly 2.50pm
Monday 27	Water Safety Assemblies (am)
Wednesday 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Workshop (all years) 9.00-10.30am Sycamore Class Assembly
February	
Wednesday 5	Oak Class Assembly

Stars of the Week	
Wrens	Caleb
Robins	Jake
Goldfinches	Freddie D
Sparrows	Miles
Owls	Sam T
Kingfishers	Tao
Ash	Millie
Beech	Ruby
Holly	Imogen
Maple	Harry
Oak	Arnav
Silver Birch	Alex
Sycamore	George
Yew	Tor

The following items can be found on the newsletter page of the school website:

- Term Dates 2020-2021
- Headlice Guidance
- Saturday Football Club (Y3 and below) Game On
- Inclusive Football Fun Day 21.2.20
- Early Years Newsletter (Dacorum Senior Early Support Team)

SEN and Wellbeing pages of the school website

Please check out the SEN and Wellbeing pages of the school website where you will find information on different parenting groups, workshops and activities.