# Hindhayes Infant school

Hindhayes Infant School Attendance Whole School 93.1%

Hawthorn was the class with the highest attendance with 97.2%

### Diary Dates: Happening soon:

18th Feb: End of half term

#### Happening After Half Term:

28th Feb: Beginning of new half term

8th April End of Spring term.

25th April Beginning of Summer term

2nd May: Spring Bank Holiday

27th May: School closes for May Half term

6th June: School opens for final half term

24th June: INSET day 4

25th July: INSET day 5

26th July: Additional Bank Holiday for the Queen's Birthday– School Closed

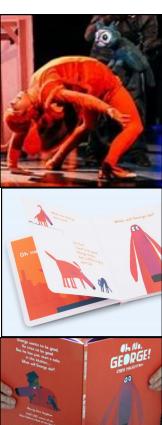
27th July: School Closed for summer holidays

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### **At School This Week**

What a wonderful end to a very busy week in school. The children in Year 1 and 2 were thrilled and excited by the performance of Oh No George! We were so pleased to be offered seats to attend the preview of the show and to be the first audience allowed to see this brand new show. It made the children laugh and scream as they were encouraged to jump in their seats and encourage George, a naughty dog to not dig up his owners flowers and to not eat his owners cake. There was no stopping George chasing his nemesis 'cat' around the auditorium and of course the highlight for a lot of the children was when George shared his love of bouncy balls and the theatre was filled with blow up balls. This afternoon the children have enjoyed doing some follow up activities back in the classroom. For some of the children it was their first visit to the theatre and they weren't too sure what to expect. Nervous tummies soon turned to happy ones and they all returned to school thinking that Oh No George was the best show that they had ever seen.

Thank you Strode theatre for inviting us to this event. If you are going to be taking the children while it is at the theatre we would highly recommend it. I know the children would love to see it again. If not you might like to look out for the book, 'Oh No George' is written by Chris Haughton and there is even a version on Youtube.



### **COVID** update

It has been another busy week with staff in school having to cover for colleagues who are now isolating at home. Currently we have two staff and one isolating with their child. It was lovely to see Mr. Matthews return today. We have been trialling some virtual teaching through teams to try to maintain that contact between the teacher and their class this week. This is not easy for the teacher or the children but we will try to do as much of this as we can as we continue to try to deliver a high quality education for the children and manage the ongoing requirements of the current local guidance.

As of lunch time today there is still no update from the local authority regarding the changing to the Amber guidance. There will be another meeting at the end of this afternoon. If we are provided with any further information over the weekend I will of course let you know as soon as I know. Please be confident in the fact that our school numbers remain low. Please also continue to wear your face coverings when coming into the school site at this time.

### **Community events**

We are beginning to start thinking about some whole school events for the Spring and Summer terms. We really need some more parents to help with our PTFA. Please let the school office know if you have any time that you could donate.



Have a lovely weekend



### **Lets Celebrate**

We are delighted that we will be able to begin celebrating the learning that the children have been completing in the classroom once again. Congratulations to all those pupils who have achieved so well in their learning this week and have been chosen to receive certificates.



**Work of the week**: Hope Morse, Obi Rahman, Oscar Rolli, Sienna Bartlett, Mhammed Abduli, Ruby Doggrell, Jacob Wakefield-Vowles, Edward Pickford, Thomas Herbert, Robert Seaward, Amelia Reed, Arthur Matthews, Lily Paisey, Bryony Unger

**Better Learning Powers:** Sebi Burrage, Dexter Dobbins, Ivy Martin, Samuel Hunt, Harper-Lilly Garner-Hamilton, Aeris Colyer, Kenzie Payne, Cayden Crouch, Daisy West, Toby Windsor, Alfie Park, Phoebe Hunt, Luca Warren, Archie Everett

### **Messages from the Hindhayes Staff**

### **Governor Vacancy**

Dear Parents and Carers. We have a vacancy for a Governor on our Board at Hindhayes Infant School. If you are or know of anyone who may be interested in this important role and they want to know more, we can send a letter with further information and a Nomination Form. Being a school Governor is extremely rewarding and benefits the school and its community. The closing date to receive nominations is Thursday 3rd February 2022. There is also further information on the school's Facebook page, Parent Mail as well as our website. Alternatively, please feel free to contact Mike Sales in the school office via email on <u>MSales@Educ.Somerset.Gov.uk</u> or call (01458) 444931 for an informal discussion. Thank you

### Medicine, Plaster and EPI pen permission slip

Please remember to complete your child's permission slip on ParentMail as soon as possible. This will enable the school to provide your child with Calpol and administer plasters as and when required.

### **Before School**

There have been a number of incidents happening with the school grounds before and also after school. Please remember that the children must be supervised at all times by yourselves. They should be holding your hand or with you so that they do not come to harm. They definitely should not be behind the school library, tree house or on the play-ground equipment. Thank you for keeping the children safe.

### **Food Orders**

It has come to our attention that some parents have only ordered food for the first 3 weeks of Janaury, please remember that you have to do this every week, and if no food has been ordered then your child will not receive a meal. Please access ParentMail to check this.





## Understanding Self-Injury in Children and Teens. A Place to Start:

- Why do they do it?
- Is it attention-seeking?
- Do primary-age children self-injure?
- Where can I find support for them?
- Where can I find support for me?
- Is the internet the problem?
- Is it because of the pandemic?
- Are they mentally ill?

If you are looking for answers, come to one of our events:

Wednesday 24th November 2021 4pm - 5:30pm • Yeovil Town Football Ground

Monday 6th December 2021 4pm - 5:30pm • Taunton Racecourse

Wednesday 26th January 2022 4pm - 5:30pm • Wells & Mendip Museum

Wednesday 2nd March 2022 4pm - 5:30pm • Bristol Rovers Football Club

Tickets are only: £15

To find out more or book online please visit: akesopartnership.com

