



Hindhayes Infant school



Hindhayes Infant School Attendance
Whole School 96.4%
Chestnut was the class with the highest attendance with 100%

Diary Dates:

20/9/21 - Start of Tea, Toast and Reading

21/9/21 - Start of Book Fair

30/9/21 - Open House for Sept 22 families

19/10/21 - School Photos

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At School This Week

Welcome to our new school year. Whether you are a new family joining us for the first time or you are returning for another year, we are so pleased to have you and your child as part of our school. A new school year is always busy as the children and staff get to know each other. It's been so lovely to hear of new friendships forming in the classroom and out on the playground as children move away from their bubbles and return to a nearly normal school routine. For some of our children it is the first time that they have eaten in the school hall and played on the field without the close support of their class teacher and teaching assistant. There have been a lot of new routines to learn about but all the staff are helping so that hopefully the children will feel settled and confident as quickly as they can.

It has been so lovely to walk around school this week and see the children settled into their new classrooms. Over the holidays we worked very hard with redecoration and reorganisation of some of the areas of the school. The key stage one corridor has been completely cleared to make the accessibility to classrooms easier and this has also made the classrooms lighter and brighter. The Year One team have worked hard to respond to our desire to implement a more hands on curriculum. The children in Year One had both their nursery and reception years interrupted by lockdowns and we want to ensure that they have continued opportunities for some high quality play opportunities. Mrs. Keene is just the right person to use her experience of teaching in Reception to drive this for us.

From Monday, we will also be reintroducing assemblies, wish us luck!

COVID, obviously remains in the background for us. We continue to update our risk assessment during this time. This highlights our continued commitment to

- Enhanced cleaning
- Ventilation of areas where required and possible
- Regular and effective hand washing
- Lateral flow testing within our staff team
- Identified isolation of those who test positive or who are symptomatic
- Ensuring full attendance of all pupils as there is now no need for close contacts to isolate unless they are symptomatic themselves

The Hindhayes team would also like to welcome Fiona Ayres. Fiona is the new Head Teacher at Elmhurst Junior School. She replaces Mike Lawrence and Tracy Edwards who retired and moved on to new adventures at the end of the summer term. We wish Fiona all the best and look forward to a close working relationship which will enable children and families to move seamlessly between our two schools.

Finally, if you have two minutes this weekend perhaps you may find a moment to reflect on the twentieth anniversary of 9/11. Living in Washington DC at the time it is an event that touched our family and our lives. I hope that in that moment you can remember those that lost their lives and their loved ones and say a prayer for peace and safety for us all.

Food Deliveries

As you all may be aware, there is currently shortages on some supplies all around the world. This may affect us at Hindhayes, where some days supply may be different, however we will let you all know as soon as this is possible if this happens.

Open Morning - 30th September

We will be holding our Open Morning on the 30th September from 9.30am to 11.30am for those families who are looking at schools for September 2022. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please let them know!

Mrs Shakesby's Recommended Stories

At Hindhayes the teacher's love to share great stories with the children. To help children and families to continue to share reading adventures at home, I will be recommending a story each Friday that can be accessed online and shared with all the family. Through this first half term the stories will all be from Julia Donaldson and the first one is Gruffalo!! Follow this link to go directly to the Reading Corner area of the school website and to find online versions of the story and activities to print and do.

<https://www.hindhayes.co.uk/page/?title=September+10th+%2D+The+Gruffalo&pid=574>

Look out for more stories coming each Friday.

Book Fair

Hindhayes will be holding a book sale on the veranda outside the library starting on September 21st. Look out for Mrs Shakesby in the mornings and after school and support Hindhayes to buy books for the classrooms by purchasing books for your child/ren. Follow this link to find out more information and to explore how to pay online / buy a gift voucher follow this link.

<https://www.hindhayes.co.uk/page/?title=Bookfair+%2D+September+21st+%2D+September+24th&pid=580>



Tea, Toast and Reading



At Hindhayes School September 2021

Are you a busy parent or carer who can find it tricky in the evening to hear your child read or share a story? Then this is the opportunity for you!

From Monday 20th September Mrs Shakesby will be holding a tea, toast and reading session in the hall from 8.15 – 8.50 on a **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.**

In this time parents and carers can come into school with their children to read their school reading book or to share the books available. There will be toast for the children and a cuppa for the adult if wanted. This will continue through the school year.

There is no need to sign up, just come through the back gate and around to the hall door and you will be welcomed in.

An adult must stay with the child. Children who need an early drop off need to be booked into Hindhayes wrap around care. This is a quiet time and so is not a time for parents to meet for a chat!

Looking forward to seeing you!



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Hindhayes School, Street on Saturday mornings



Parent advice & support

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**is your child
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A safe and easy way to contact
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Disclaimer: This is not an emergency service; it operates Monday to Friday 9am - 6pm and is only available by using a UK mobile number. Your messages are stored on our secure system and can be seen by the School Nursing Team who run our ChatHealth Service. Although this is a confidential service, in the event of an safeguarding issue the School Nurse has a duty of care to act on this and may escalate the concern.

Improving
LIVES

Talk, Learn, Do

Do you want your child to be
clued up on money?



- We all want our children to get a good start in life, and parents play a huge role in helping children form their money habits – so how can you make sure they learn the right lessons?
- MoneySense is offering free, online **Talk, Learn, Do** workshops designed to help parents/carers of children aged 3-11 talk to them about money.
- Learn how everyday experiences can help you teach money skills, get advice on dealing with pestering, and understand the positives of pocket money.

**Book a workshop and find
more details [here](#)**

Any questions? Please contact
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