



Hindhayes Newsletter No 18

Friday 31st January 2014

Dear Parents

In common with other local authorities, Somerset has, for some years, undertaken an annual school categorisation exercise. The purpose is to monitor school performance.

A small group of officers meet and use various data, including OfSTED judgements, to categorise schools. The three agreed categories are:

Above expected level of performance	30%	of	primary	schools
In line with expected level of performance	48%	"	"	"
Below expected level of performance	22%	"	"	"

You will be pleased to learn that Hindhayes is in the first category with an above expected level of performance and is in the top 30% of primary schools in Somerset.

Thanks are due to the hard work of the Headteacher and staff in achieving this pleasing outcome.

Mary Whitaker
Chair of Governors

Scholastic Book Club

Last week we sent home the most recent Scholastic book club leaflet. If you would like to place an order from this leaflet, please return the order form and payment in a marked envelope to the school office by Friday 7th February.



Skipping Day

On Friday 14th February we have arranged for "Skippy John" to run a Skipping 4 life day at school. "Skippy John" has over 7 years of experience teaching and demonstrating skipping skills in primary schools across the UK. Skipping for life's aim is to encourage children to skip for health fun and fitness.



INSPIRE Sessions

A letter has gone home to all Year 1 parents inviting them to their individual child's class INSPIRE session. This gives you the opportunity to work alongside your child on a task to support their learning. Feedback from these sessions is always positive and I am sure you will enjoy the activities. No younger children are allowed to attend these session. Please return the reply slip to school to indicate if you are able to attend. The dates are as follows:

Wednesday 5th February	-	9.15am-10.15am	-	Birch
	-	1.45pm-2.45pm	-	Birch
Thursday 6th February	-	9.15am-10.15am	-	Beech
	-	1.45pm-2.45pm	-	Beech
Monday 3rd March	-	9.10am-10.30am	-	Year 2
	-	1.15pm-2.45pm	-	Year 2

Letters for the Year 2 INSPIRE session will go out after half term.

Weekly Targets

Each week one child from each class brings home a medal awarded for weekly targets, this week's target was 'Always a hard worker', the children bringing the medal home are:

Oak class:	Oscar Wills
Cherry class:	Adam Lovelace
Beech class:	Chloe Lane
Birch class:	Freddie Cooper
Chestnut class:	Oliver Wood
Sycamore class:	Sophie Morris
Hazel class:	Ellie Curtis
Hawthorn class:	Beth Dallimore

Next week's target is 'Always sits still and listens carefully'.

The winning house this week is: **Polden**
The class with last week's highest attendance is: **Hawthorn**



PLEASE RETURN THE MEDAL BY NEXT THURSDAY

Work of the week

Work of the week is displayed on the 'work of the week board' in the entrance foyer, this shows the super work children have produced throughout the week. At present these children have their work on display. You are welcome to see this work after school:

Oak class:	Millie & William
Cherry class:	Jared & Lucas
Beech class:	Tyler & Charlie
Birch class:	Kaitlyn & Devon
Chestnut class:	Megan & Megi
Sycamore class:	Florence & Cerys
Hazel class:	Olivia & Max
Hawthorn class:	Olivia & Charlie



Dates for your Diary*

Wednesday 5th February	Birch INSPIRE
Thursday 6th January	Beech INSPIRE
Thursday 6th February	Sycamore last bokwa session
Friday 7th February	Oak class assembly
Friday 7th February	Reception family time
Monday 10th February	Esafety meeting with parents @ 5.30pm
Tuesday 11th February	Esafety day
Thursday 13th February	Chestnut first bokwa session
Friday 14th February	Skipping day
Friday 14th February	Hazel class assembly
Friday 14th February	Finish for half term
Monday 24th February	Return to school

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL THESE DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE