



NEWSLETTER



We are inclusive, confident and enterprising learners who are brave, curious, optimistic and kind. We are ready to embrace the future.

12th November 2021

Dear Families,

Thank you for your attendance at our recent teacher consultations. I hope that you found these meetings informative and supportive of our working together for the benefit of your child.

We must remember that COVID is still a present risk in our community, with Peverell experiencing a rate of 471.5 (per 100,000) compared to the national rate of 400. If your child is ill with a high temperature, a lack of taste or smell or an aggressive cough, please do not send them to school before you have taken them for a PCR test **and received a negative result**. Please do not send your children to school whilst waiting for the results of a PCR test.

Unfortunately, based on advice through the Trust's interaction with Public Health England, we will once again not be having in person Christmas gatherings in either school. The hall for the infants, and the Baptist Church for the Juniors, are both areas limited in their capacity to provide enough space for the size of the audiences we would need to cater for. Social distancing would be impossible to achieve and we would not like to be responsible for a cluster of infections amongst children, parents and staff immediately prior to the Christmas holidays. We are working on ideas for what we can do instead and will keep you posted.

Do you speak a different language? Could you spare a little bit of time to support other parents in our school community? As a multi-cultural school, we recognise that we have language experts amongst our staff and our parents. If you would be happy for us to approach you to help us support parents who are not confident with English, during parents' evenings, or with general communications, please email jennifer.hussey@horizonmat.com with details of the language(s) you speak and the best way to contact you.

Thank you in advance!

Diary Dates

Odd Sock Day
15th November

Children in Need
19th November

End of Term
17th December



Infant Uniform

There appear to be some children in school who are wearing boots or DM style footwear. Whilst they are very practical for outdoor wear during the winter, they are not so practical while the children are in the classroom. Boots and other longer styles of footwear cause the children to get hot in the classroom and are particularly difficult to change in and out of for activities such as PE. On days when the weather is particularly bad, if you would prefer your child to walk to school in boots etc. that is of course fine, but we would ask that you provide them with something more suitable to change into for indoor sessions.

Odd Sock Day – Monday 15th November

'This year Hyde Park Schools are pleased to be supporting Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week.

Please see the poster for all the details...



WOOHOO... MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER IS ODD SOCKS DAY!

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?
Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week! To celebrate that we are all unique, we ask that you wear odd socks to work on Monday 16th November. Andy Day (Cbeebies/cbbc) and his band Andy and the Odd Socks are supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti-Bullying Week, **One Kind Word**.

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?
The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.

WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?
It's so easy ☺ Here's what you do:

1. Make sure your child wears odd socks to school.
2. Donate £1 to help the Anti-Bullying Alliance carry on important work.
3. If you want to, you can share a photo online using #OddSocksDay #AntiBullyingWeek and tag @AndyOddSock and @abaonline on Twitter. Or @andyandtheoddssocks and @antibullyingalliance on Instagram.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
Every penny goes to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help continue all their work. We can't wait to see all the Odd Socks on Monday 15th November ...

If you have any questions please ask:

Monday 15 November

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Children in Need – Friday 19th November

Hyde Park Schools will be participating in
BBC Children in Need by having
FANCY DRESS FRIDAY
(or wear your favourite home clothes)

This year you can donate online straight to BBC Children in Need by clicking the link below:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4634>

(The link will say Hyde Park Junior School but it is the donation page for both Schools)

Please be aware that mufti should not include crop tops or skin baring outfits, onesies and only suitable footwear can be worn, no sandals, crocs, open toed shoes or Heelys. Please supply a coat for your child as they will still be going out to play.



Menu change for this day: Fish Fingers / Macaroni Cheese and a Pudsy custard biscuit

Book Bag for Infant School only

Please can all families check their children's book bag this evening for an important letter about your child's reading.