



## Hyde Park Infant School

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Dear Parents,

Undaunted by the rain, there has been a frenzy of activity throughout the school as the children have enjoyed a number of sporting activities and challenges. It has been clearly disappointing that we couldn't have our planned outdoor sports day and I thank you for your understanding and also your support in cancelling the sports day on safety grounds.

### Hyde Park Explorers

Your child will have come home with their own Hyde Park Explorers pack which I hope they will enjoy using over the summer and throughout the year. The website is being made ready for photographs of the activities that you and your child have got up to. For parents with children starting in September, your child will be provided with one of these packs to enjoy then. In the meantime, I hope you are starting those learning journey books that I will look forward to seeing in September.

### Classes for September

The children have met with their new teacher(s) in their new classrooms and will do so again before the end of term. Please can I remind parents that the start of the day for Y1 and Y2 classes is 8.55. Classes, class names and class teacher(s) and teaching assistants are as follows:-

Ash → Willow Class with Mrs Degg (Teacher) and Mrs Allchin (Teaching Assistant)

Cedar → Poplar Class with Mrs Blackmore (Teacher) and Miss Jones (Teacher) who is getting married in the holiday and will be a Mrs Smith and Mrs Evans (Teaching Assistant)

Oak → Beech Class with Miss Brown (Teacher) and Mrs Harvey (Teaching Assistant)

Willow → Holly Class with Mrs Crawley (Teacher) and Mrs Rayment (Teaching Assistant)

Holly Class will also be supported during the year by a trainee teacher – Miss Strong

Poplar → Sycamore Class with Mrs Razey (Teacher) and Miss Martin (Teacher) and Mrs Horne (Teaching Assistant)

Beech → Elm with Miss Lynes (Teacher) and Mrs Milburn (Teacher) and Mrs Gerson (Teaching Assistant)

Additional Teaching Assistants will be supporting pupils and classes across Y1 and Y2 and these include Mrs McClelland, Mrs Anscombe, Mrs Furniss and Mrs Hoppins.



### School Reports

Your child will come home with their report today which will contain information from their teacher about the progress they have made as well as 'next steps'. Years 1 and 2 will have a photographic page capturing your child's learning opportunities over the year on the final page of their report. The reports for our Y2 pupils are also sent to the Junior Teachers for their use. The Foundation Stage pupils will have their reports on all elements of the Foundation Stage Curriculum and this will be accompanied by their 'Learning Journey' containing evidence of their learning and photographs. Y1 pupils will have the results of their Phonic Screening and Y2 pupils will have their SATs scores and documentation explaining the national scoring system.

### Term dates

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July is our last day of term and the children return on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September. Our new children in the Foundation Classes start on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

### Summer holidays

As well as having fun trying out some of the activities in the Hyde Park Explorers booklet, having a rest, going on holiday and hopefully enjoying some summer weather, I hope that you can find time with your child to keep their skills sharp for the September term. Visits to the library, regular reading, writing about the events of the day and any special journeys will all help to keep your child's skills sharp and also, by the end of the holiday, give you a lovely record of summer 2017. Please think about starting a holiday scrapbook early in the holiday so that tickets, leaflets and finds from the woods or the beach can be stuck in, labelled and other information recorded too as well as some photographs of key moments. My daughter, Rosie, is now 28 but she and I can look back fondly on holiday scrapbooks (although getting started can be a little daunting) and remember happy times, people and places. My Head Teacher challenge to all pupils, including those heading up to the Junior School is to create a holiday scrapbook. Stickers and special certificates will be available in September for all children and their families who have a go.

In my last newsletter of the year may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy, restful and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing the children in the current Foundation and Y1 classes return in September. Staff all send our love to the Y2 children who are off to the Juniors for new and exciting learning there.

On behalf of my staff and myself, I would like to extend our thanks to you as parents for your lovely comments, cards, letters and gifts. Thank you.



**Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!**

Yours sincerely,

*E.A. Hill*

Head Teacher