



## Hyde Park Infant School

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Dear Parents,

This week has been very productive and the children have taken to heart two words from our School Vision to be 'kind' and 'brave'. All week we have looked at ways of being kind and made sure that we are keeping to our 4 school rules of

**Kind Hands**

**Kind Feet**

**Kind Words**

**Kind Actions**

In being brave, all the children have been encouraged to be brave with their learning, to persevere with the tricky tasks, to be brave to write more, do more complex number work or be brave in answering more questions. For our youngest children they have all shown bravery in trying new things and settling into the routines of school life. Our Y1 children are settling well into the new curriculum and rising to the challenges that are set for them. In Y2, expectations are to fully participate, set themselves high standards and to record in written form, all of their good ideas. There have been some amazing success stories this week of children who have been brave and pushed themselves. Please encourage them to be brave in their learning and to feel good about 'having a go' and not giving up at the first opportunity.

### Fire Drill

All 270 Infants and 360 juniors, staff and visitors evacuated the building in a planned fire drill this morning. Both the Head Teachers (Mrs Hill and Miss Jackson) were so impressed with the calm and efficient manner in which all children exited the building and stood in playgrounds for their safety roll call. All the new children had received lots of training and support in preparation for this evacuation and every child managed to do this safely and calmly. Well done to everybody!

### Children's nationalities

If your child was not born in the UK, please let your child's class teacher or the office staff know their country of birth as we need to send off accurate data to the Department of Education. We have only had a few responses to date.

### New and exciting music club lunchtime opportunity for each Year Group

Starting on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> at lunchtime, there will be a 25-30 minute singing and percussion instrument playing club for up to 20 children per year group. Clubs will be staggered in times so children can eat their lunch, have a play outside and also attend the club (as we have a 1 hour and 25 minute playtime)

You will receive a separate form to complete via your phone/online and this needs to be sent back to school as a paper copy with your signed consent and the full fee of £20 which will cover the cost of 10 lessons this term. Places are likely to be in demand so send in the signed form and the money



to the school office on Monday morning. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and a reserve list will be created for those who are not successful this time. Paper copies will be available in the school office if you don't have printer facilities or a replica of our form will be accepted if you want to get it ready at home over the weekend.

#### First Aid Course for parents

I have arranged for Andy Tippet, an accredited First Aid trainer to deliver a First Aid training course for parents which includes resuscitation. The course will run on 18<sup>th</sup> and also the 20<sup>th</sup> October and there will be 16 places available on each of the days. The course will run from 9.15 to 12.15 and you can sign up for either of the days. The cost will be £20.00 and include a first aid booklet and certificate of attendance. Please send in your request for a place at your earliest convenience (to ensure that the course will be viable) and I will request money a week before the course starts. The course will be the same on both days so please only book one day and state your preference clearly on the form which will be sent to you electronically and can be found on our website.

#### First Aid and Safety Awareness Club for Y2 children

In November Andy Tippet will be running 4 sessions of First Aid and Safety Awareness for 15 Y2 children on a Friday Lunchtime for 30 minutes allowing children to attend the club, eat lunch and still have some playtime. This is a new and exciting club for the school and if we are inundated with requests, Andy has promised that he will run another group for those who are unsuccessful the first time around. The club will run on 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November and include a range of opportunities including bandaging and putting a patient into the recovery position. The cost for the 4 club sessions will be a total of £8.00. Please complete the consent slip and include the £8.00 cash or cheque made payable to Andy Tippet. Forms will be sent to you electronically, will be available on the website or can be collected from the school office.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the first few days of autumn!



#### **Hyde Park Schools' Vision**

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

Yours sincerely,

*E.A. Hill*

Head Teacher