

HARPUR HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Thursday 19th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the warmer weather. We have a busy end to the term and there are a few things to update you with ahead of the usual end of term newsletter.

Platinum Jubilee

On Friday 27th May, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, children are invited to wear red, white, blue or purple. In the afternoon, we are having class parties and children have asked if they can bring party food. Please send in cakes or treats for the celebration, if you wish to do so, on Thursday 26th May.



Infant parents/carers are invited into school for stay and play/craft events next week, to celebrate the Jubilee as follows:

Date	Class/Year	Time	Join us
Tuesday 24 th	Miss Wallace's Perfect Parrots	from 8.50am – 9.30am	In the classroom
Wednesday 25 th	Nursery Brilliant Bears (pre-school)	from 2.15pm	Teddy Bear's Picnic
Thursday 26 th	Miss Hill's Terrific Tigers	from 8.50am – 9.30am	In the classroom
Friday 27 th	Miss Marsh & Miss Gough Year 1 and Year 2	from 8.50am – 9.15am	In the classroom

Uniform and PE Kits

A visitor commented on how smart the children look in their Harpur colours! Thank you for sending children in each day with their uniform.

During the pandemic, as you are aware, children were asked to come to school in PE kits and this has continued in the infants. Now things are getting back to normal, we would like children from Year 1 upwards to come to school every day in their uniform and change into their PE kit before their PE lesson. Reception may come to school in their PE kits on PE days and suitable clothing on a Welly Wednesday.

Please may we remind you that our PE kit is:

- Black or navy school PE shorts,
- White T-shirt,
- Pumps for indoors,
- Trainers, jogging bottoms, plain hoodie/sweatshirt (black or navy) for outdoor PE

Sun Safety

As we head towards the summer, please could we remind you of the following regarding sun safety:

- Please ensure children come to school with a sun hat (with their name in) that offers protection to the neck as well as the face.
- Please apply waterproof sunscreen which gives complete protection (of the highest factor available) to all exposed areas of the skin prior to sending your child to school.
- Some sunscreens offer 10-hour protection which would avoid the need to reapply during the day. This would be preferable if possible.
- If your child needs sunscreen reapplying during the day, we would encourage them to do it themselves, depending on their age. For younger children or those who may struggle to apply sunscreen, ideally we would ask that you send in a spray-type which staff can apply and pupils can rub in, thereby reducing the need for physical contact. This should be labelled with your child's name and not shared with others.

Thank you for your continued support for our wonderful school.

Best wishes

Mrs Giliker (Headteacher)

ADMIN UPDATE

Absence and medical appointment procedures

If your child is unwell or unable to attend school for whatever reason, please inform us as soon as possible, before 9am. You can contact us to report an absence by:

- phoning the school office 01298 23261 (you can leave a message on the answer machine if you phone before the office is open)
- emailing - sreception@harpurhill.derbyshire.sch.uk
- texting school on 07786 207779 or by replying to a school text.

Smoking

Smoking is not allowed on the school grounds. Could we please ask those who do smoke, not to do so in front of the children; especially at the gates while dropping off or collecting children. Thank you. Please may we remind you not to smoke or vape on the school site or school site

Safety in and around the school grounds

Please may we remind you of the following: -

- Do not congregate in groups outside the school gates and send your child straight into school as soon as you arrive, to avoid congestion.
 - Walk to school wherever possible to reduce the amount of traffic on the roads outside school.
 - Older children may cycle or scoot to school.
 - Take care when driving outside school or on the main car park.
 - Do not block gates or access to the school.
 - Park safely and considerately, without blocking pavements and driveways.
 - Although not enforced, but endorsed by the Police, it helps to reduce congestion if more people observe the following one-way system - please enter via Trent Avenue road and exit using Ferneydale Avenue onto Fernway, exit onto Harpur Hill Road.
 - Take extra care in the car park and make sure younger children are supervised by an adult.
- Thank you.