

The Hill Top Community Way

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Summer 2 Newsletter

It is coming to that time of year again when we start the transition of your children to the classes they will be in next year. Class Teachers positions have been finalised but there may be changes to where the Learning Support Assistants are placed.

Present Year 6

Our Year 6 children have a full day at Woodkirk on Thursday July 6th. Year 6 will not come into Hill Top on that day at all regardless of the time Woodkirk finish. All children must go in their full Hill Top Academy uniform and take their Learning Logs with them as well as writing materials.

For the present Nursery (Going in to Reception), Reception and Year 1 children

There is a meeting today, (26th June at 5.30pm) for Parents of children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 that you have already been notified of, and then, throughout the school we follow this with time spent by the new class teacher in the children's existing classes on June 29th, then on the 6th and 10th July the children will go to their new class rooms. We practise with the children the morning procedures of where they are to line up on the first day, for children in Years 1 & 2.

Year 3 to 6

Parental meetings for these children are held within the first two weeks of starting school. Children in Years 3 to 6 will be shown where they are to line up on their first morning in the KS2 playground when they have their Transition sessions in July.

Staffing

There are some significant changes to the teaching staff for 2017-18.

Mrs Towler has decided to reduce the number of days she works as she moves towards early retirement. She will therefore be working across many of the classes throughout the school next year covering class teachers Planning and Preparation time. She is still going to be running our Music in school. Mrs Noble and Mrs Secker are returning from Maternity leave, both on a part-time basis. Mrs Noble will be class based and Mrs Secker will be covering Management Time for Mrs Lancaster and Mr Tolmie. In January 2016 Mrs Forster sadly went off on long term sickness. She has been very poorly and the prognosis initially was not favourable. However, Mr and Mrs Forster pursued all avenues and after several operations and ongoing treatment Mrs Forster is very much on the mend and enjoying much better health but the treatments does leave her very tired. She has therefore now resigned her post at school and will be sadly missed by all. I am sure you will join with the staff at school in wishing her all the very best for a long and healthy retirement.

Classes

Year2:

Nursery: Mrs Blakeley

Miss O'Leary, Miss Flannagan, Miss Nichol

Reception: Miss Monaghan

Mrs Hudson

Year 1: Miss Kerry

Mrs Stead **Mr Tolmie**

Mrs Secker on Monday and on Wednesday am for interventions

Mrs Sunderland
Miss Mortimer

Year 3: Miss Mortimer
Mrs O'Donovan

Year 4: Mrs Naylor – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday am

Mrs Noble – Wednesday pm, Thursday, Friday

Mrs Harris

Year 5: Miss Parkinson
Miss Colquhoun
Year 6: Mrs Lancaster

Mrs Secker on Tuesday

Ms Keating

Mrs Towler (Thurs & Fri) and Mr Wynn (Fri) teach across many classes.

Learning Support Assistants (LSA's) may yet move classes.



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School Uniform

(From September 2017 the sweatshirt is no longer part of Hill Top Uniform.)

Grey Trousers, skirt, pinafore dress (Not black or charcoal grey)

White shirt or white blouse (Not polo shirts)

Red knitted cardigan, or jumper

School tie (Now available from Uniform Centre, Morley)

Girls: White socks or grey tights.

Grey socks may be worn with Trousers (No red or black tights)

Boys: Grey socks

Summer uniform remains the same—red & white checked dresses/culottes.

These can be worn after Easter if the weather is warm enough.

Black school shoes (not trainer style shoes)

PE Kit —Red round neck t-shirt and black shorts

Plain black track suit

Plain trainers—no bright colours. (Some classes may require plain black pumps but individual teachers will advise at the start of the year)

Hair accessories should be either Red, Grey or White or a combination of these colours.

All children with long hair should have their hair tied up at all times and MUST have it tied up for PE.

Children may wear small stud earrings but these must be removed on the days the children have PE or go swimming. Children who can tell the time may wear a watch. No other jewellery or novelty items are allowed.

<u>Parking: Despite the fact that school have done everything we can to ensure the safety of</u> your children on the driveway and in the Car Park many Parents are still insisting on parking dangerously. It is your children who could be affected. <u>Please park safely.</u>

Hill Top Musical Extravaganza July 13th 6pm.

Tickets on sale 3rd July £1

Holidays

We finish for the Summer holidays on Friday 21st July at 3.10pm.

The new school year begins on Tuesday 5th September.