

Newsletter

26th April 2024



I hope that everybody had a good Easter and found some time to relax and unwind. The children have been enjoying learning about their new topics across the curriculum. It is always wonderful to visit classrooms and see the very good behaviour for learning of the children and their enthusiasm for learning.

This week the site set up has begun for the building work. The contractors will be holding assemblies for the children to discuss the work and keeping safe in and around the site. They will also be sending letters to parents/carers and the wider community with information about the building programme. The children have been fantastic and enjoyed seeing the diggers coming on to site. The building work is projected to be completed by mid-October. I know that change always causes apprehension amongst children and parents. This expansion was something the school wanted for us to move away from mixed aged classes in the school. The mixed aged classes have many positives and have worked well thanks to the hard work of staff and children. However, it does cause issues and the chance to move back to single aged classes was something we could not turn down. It is also a significant benefit for our community to have one of the largest schools in North West Leicestershire. In the next academic year, we will have three EYFS classes, Three Year 1 classes and three Year 2 classes. Year 3 and Year 4 classes will be mixed as the 'bulge years' work through the school. Year 5 will have two classes as will Year 6. Staffing for the classes will not be considered until after the end of May, the end of May is the last time for teachers to hand in their notice should they wish to.

Thank you for your support with parking along the front of the school. Since my message last week the yellow lined area in front of the school to the crossroads has been clear. I think we have all noticed that it being clear has enabled the traffic to flow far more freely with less congestion. I know there are concerns about a lack of crossing patrol since Mrs Fletcher retired from this post. We share the concerns and have asked the local authority for a replacement but they have been unwilling to recruit. Please do send your concerns to the local authority on this matter.

We are planning to hold an 'open' meeting for residents, parents/carers, councillors and the Police to discuss options for parking. We would like to offer park and stride facilities from a car park or area of land, but we have struggled to find anywhere suitable. Therefore, we would like to hold a meeting to gather thoughts and opinions on the way forward for the future. I will send dates for the event out soon.

Although it doesn't feel as if it is the summer we are in the summer term! This is always a very busy term with many events and activities for the children. It has been wonderful to hear our Year 3 children rehearsing for their Vocalease performance in May. Please check the dates for the diary carefully in the newsletter and on Weduc.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Driver
Headteacher

Meet the Governor - Helen Dott



Having recently joined as a Governor I am looking forward to getting to know the school and all the team involved. I have two boys at the school who are enjoying their time meeting new friends and getting to grips with learning in a new environment.

As a family we enjoy travelling, as well as trips to the coast whenever possible, we also make regular visits to France, our boys enjoy the ferry trip but it's really all about the ice creams! Therefore, I gratefully accepted the offer to be appointed as Governor to support French taught in the school, encouraging the benefits learning a new language will bring to the children.

I was fortunate to attend Hugglescote Primary School as a child and it holds fond memories. It is important to me to see the school continue to succeed and grow, whilst supporting a developing community, making everyone feel welcome.

H Factor 2024!



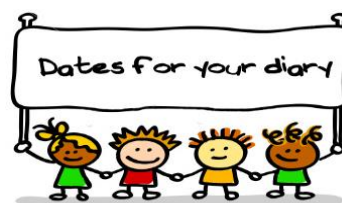
It's that time again where the school feels the buzz of the H Factor. Auditions will be taking place later this half term with the semi-finals and final happening next half-term. We celebrate any talent whether it's individual, a duo or group effort within or across the year groups. Please do encourage your child to have a go. Past finalists and winners have been from across the school. Age really is no barrier so from EYFS to Year 6... dust off your dancing shoes, polish your jokes, practise those lyrics and notes, hone your circus skills or practise whatever your talent is and we can't wait to see who will be the H Factor 2024 winner!

Lunchtimes

We are currently in the process of developing the children's play during lunchtimes. We will be sharing full details nearer the time so watch this space!



Well done to 2DB for having the highest attendance so far this term, closely followed by 1EH/LC.



6th May- May Day Bank Holiday
8th May- Year 1 - Yew Tree Trail Trip
13th May- KS2 SATs Week
20th May- Walk to School Week
24th May- Year 6 WW2 Day at Beaumanor Hall
25th May-2nd June – May Half Term

3rd June - School Reopens
4th June – EYFS Pirate Picnic
13th June- Y3 Visiting Spinney Hill Primary
17th June- Y6 Enterprise Morning
25th June – Dolphins/Lions Sports Day*
26th June – Eagles/Turtles Sports Day*
28th June- Reports Home to Parents/Carers

2nd July- Y6 Leavers Party (times tbc)
3rd July- Y6 Parents/Carers Evening
9th July- End of Academic Year

***Please note the sports day dates have changed. The dates above are now correct.**

Pastoral Information

Pastoral Team:

Sometimes children can need a little bit of extra support emotionally in school. This can be support to help with self-regulation, understanding emotions, support with friendship issues through to support as a result of trauma e.g. bereavement. Work may be short term or longer term. This is dependent on the child and/or family's needs.

We have a team who work throughout the school with children of all ages who need additional provision to classroom support. Currently our pastoral team is:

Miss Louise Galdes- Emotional support, family support worker who often works one to one with children and their families

Mrs Vicky Senior- ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) and a qualified Drawing and Talking Practitioner. May work with individual children or groups.

Mrs Julie Burke- ELSA. May work with individual children or groups.

Mrs Verna Hill - School Counsellor

Miss Nicky Walker- Pastoral Leader

Concerns about a child's wellbeing can be expressed from the adults working at school or of course from parents and carers. Any concerns you may have about your child or children should first be shared with their class teacher in the first instance who will pass on the information to the Pastoral Team. If you feel that you wish to discuss your child's wellbeing with a Senior member of staff Miss Walker is a point of contact.

Support with sleeping, nutrition and healthy life, physical health, behaviour and toileting should be discussed with either your GP or School Nurse who are the relevant professionals to support with all health concerns. Here is the link to the school nurse where you can find the link to Hugglescote CPS: <https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/leicestershire/introducing-the-school-nursing-team/>

Find your local public health (school) nurse

Please select your child's school:

Hugglescote Community Primary School

Postcode
LE67 2HA

School nursing team
North West Leicestershire Public Health (School) Nurse Team

School nursing base
Coalville Health Centre

School nursing base telephone number
0300 300 3001

There is also a text service you can use called Chat Health:



Parents/carers living in Leicester city: **text 07520 615381**

Parent/carers living in Leicestershire and Rutland: **text 07520 615382**