



## Huyton with Roby Newsletter - 21.12.18

### A Happy Christmas and New Year

We would like to take this opportunity on our last newsletter this year to say a huge thank you to all our families who work so well with us to enable the children to have a positive, happy and successful experience at school. We thank you for the support you show school by preparing your child for school, completing homework, ensuring correct uniform and equipment is ready for your child, for taking part in events at school and in your child's life here at school. We thank you for the positive feedback you send to encourage both the staff and children in our school community. We recognise that a child's education is not just the responsibility of school and recognise the important part you play in ensuring your child's success. Thank you to those parents and family members who work with us in our aim to prepare children the best we can for the life ahead of them. On behalf of everybody here at school, we wish you a very happy Christmas, the blessings of this special season and a peaceful, happy new year.

### Charity Giving

As we look back over the year we are thankful for the opportunities to teach our children about the importance of looking after others and giving them the opportunity to develop their sense of responsibility towards others. One way of doing this is by raising money for charities and discussing the work of those charities. Thank you so much for your generosity. We have listed below the contributions from the last few collections and events.

Compassion UK - funds for Gabriel - January 2018 - £300

Willowbrook Hospice - March 2018 - £248 and December 2018 - £240

Fairtrade Foundation - April 2018 - £48.19

Race for Life - September 2018 - £4182.50

BBC Children in Need - November 2018 - £586.10

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal - November 2018 - £89.80

Zoe's Place (Christmas Jumper Day) - December 2018 - £59.10

### TT Rockstars

Well done to 6Y who were our Autumn Term Rockstar Champions. Competition again the teacher starts on 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1.30pm and run to 5pm on the 6<sup>th</sup> January. Good luck everyone!

### Volunteers

Thank you so so much to the parents and family members who helped out at Breakfast with Santa, our Story telling evening, Christmas Dinner and our raffle ticket selling. We really appreciate your help and involvement in school life - it is lovely to see you.

### Reading Support

Children reading every day is vital for them to make progress and learn to enjoy books. We really need help with hearing children read daily so that they can improve. If you can volunteer to help with hearing readers any afternoons, please give your name in at the office so that we can pair you up with a year group to help. We would really appreciate it. Thank you.

### Attendance

**Well done to our Attendance Trophy Winners who are Class 2A and Class 5M.** Please make sure your child is in school every day, on time and ready to learn. If they are not in school, they will miss important learning. If you are having difficulty with attendance - please talk to your child's class teacher or to Mrs Wade our Pastoral Care Manager. Our expectation is that your child should have **at least 97%** attendance.

Class	% Attendance	Number of lates.	Class	% Attendance	Number of lates.
R1	84.5	2	R2	93.9	7
1S	89.7	1	1W	96.3	2
2G	93.3	10	2A	96.6	4
3D	95	3	3R	96.7	7
4M	97.8	9	4S	93.6	5
5C	97.3	2	5M	98.7	5
6BH	96.7	4	6Y	92.3	4
Nursery (am)	92.4	1	Nursery (pm)	84.4	0

The whole school attendance for last week was 94.8%

Our attendance expectation is a minimum expectation of **97%**.

If your child has poor attendance it affects their class and the overall school percentage - please work hard to bring your child to school every day.

Every session missed is missed learning for your child.

## Clubs

<b>Club</b>	<b>Day and Time</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Staff Contact</b>
All Stars Football	Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm	Y3-6	All Stars via the letter home.
All Stars Football	Fridays 3.30-4.30pm	R/1/2	All Stars via the letter home.
Electric Guitar	Mondays 3.00 - 3.30pm 3.30-4.00pm	Y3/4	Mr Catt via the letter home.
Ukulele	Mondays 2.10-3.00pm	Y1/2	Mr Catt via the letter home.
Junior Choir	Thursdays 3.10-4.00pm	Y3-6	Mrs Collins in R1
Y3 Homework Club	Monday Lunchtime	Y3	Y3 teachers
Infant Choir	Tuesdays 3.10-4.00pm	Y1/2	Nursery - wait in 1W for N to finish.

## Term Dates Term Dates and Holiday Dates

### Term Dates and Holiday Dates - 2018/2019

**Autumn Term 2018** - Monday 3rd September - Friday 21st December

Half Term - Monday 22nd October - Friday 26th October

**Spring Term 2019** - Monday 7th January - Friday 5th April

Half Term - Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February

**Summer Term 2019**- Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 26th July

Half Term - Monday 27th May - Wednesday 5th June, however Thursday 6th and Friday 7th June are INSET days and the children will not be in school.

**Inset Days**- 3.9.18, 4.9.18, 6.6.19, 7.6.19, 28.6.19

Please note the two week break in May, this is to give families the opportunity for cheaper holidays and hopefully therefore reduce the time lost to learning through term time holidays.

### Term Dates and Holiday Dates - 2019/2020

**Autumn Term 2019** - Monday 2nd September - Friday 20th December

Half Term - Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

**Spring Term 2020** - Monday 6th January - Friday 3rd April

Half Term - Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

**Summer Term 2020**- Monday 20th April - Friday 24th July (This is later than some other schools - please note)

Half Term - Monday 25th May - Thursday 4th June, however Friday 5th June is an INSET day and the children will not be in school.

**Inset Days**- 2.9.19, 11.10.19, 5.6.19. Two more INSET days to be identified.