

## HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL

### Newsletter No. 7

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents/ Carers

It seems incredible that we only have five weeks of another academic year remaining – how quickly it has gone! At this time of year teachers and children reflect on the successes and highlights of the past year and make preparations for transition into the new academic year. We are very much looking forward to our end of year activities and celebrations. Please find dates and times outlined below.

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	PSA Quiz Night 6 – 8pm
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	PM - Drop-in Session for new Reception September 2017
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	7pm - new Reception Entrants Parents Information meeting
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Stockport Infant Choirs' event
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Class lists and transition letter from the Junior School sent home
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	9-10 – 10-30am - Year 2 pupils visit their Year 3 class and teacher
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Class photographs
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	2017/18 new class information for Reception and Year 1 sent home
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	9am – 12-00 – Reception and Year 1 visit new class teacher Year 2 Sports Morning (see below)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	9am – 12-00 – Reception and Year 1 visit new class teacher Year 2 Sports Morning
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	3-30 – 5pm - Open Afternoon (see below) 9am - Reception Summer birthdays celebration (see below) 1-15 – 3-15pm - Year 1 and Reception visiting new classroom and teacher Years 2 and 5 friendship morning
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	9am - Reception End of Year assembly (see below) School reports to be sent home
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	1-20pm - new Reception pupils to visit
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	1-20pm - new Reception pupils to visit
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	1.20pm - new Reception pupils to visit
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9am - Year 1 Summer birthday celebration (see below) 1.20pm - new Reception to visit 4-30 – 6pm - PSA Year 2 Leaver's Disco – PSA AGM to follow
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	9am – Year 1 End of Year assembly
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	9am – Year 2 Summer birthday celebration (see below) School Mini Olympics (see below)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	9am – Year 2 Leaver's Assembly Pupils break up for Summer
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupils return to school

### Changes

Mrs Reed, the School's current Year 2 team leader and Assistant Headteacher, who has taught at Hursthead Infant School for 21 years will be stepping down from full time responsibilities and the Assistant Headteacher role next year. We are very pleased that she will continue to be part of the Hursthead teaching team but it will be on a part-time basis. Mrs Reed has been an integral part of the School's community – her professionalism, genuine love for teaching, and the highly individualised care she has given to every child have all made her a greatly admired and respected teacher and colleague. I am pleased to announce that Mrs Diane Worthington, currently Class 7 teacher and Early Years Leader, will be taking on the vacant Assistant Headteacher role. The School has already appointed Jessica Newson to a full time teaching post. We are very excited and pleased to have Jessica join the teaching team – she is also very delighted to be part of the Hursthead community. I know all will welcome her.

### Year 2 Sports Mornings – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Whilst the Reception and Year 1 pupils will be enjoying longer sessions in their 2017/18 classrooms with their new class teacher, the Year 2 pupils will be enjoying two mornings of sport. Activities will include Zumba, boxfit, dodgeball, basketball and archery. Please can Year 2 pupils come to school in their sports clothes ready to engage in these varied activities. They will require sun cream, hat or cap, and their water bottle. Please also ensure that they bring a waterproof jacket in case of inclement weather as the sessions will continue through light rain. I have no doubt that much fun will be had!

**PLEASE TURN OVER**

### **Open Afternoon**

Our end of year Open Afternoon will be on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July. This is an opportunity to celebrate with your child their individual progress and success over the past year and to enjoy the displays of children's work throughout the school. Parents and pupils also have the opportunity to visit their new teacher and classroom for the next academic year 2017/18. There will be a Book Fair held in the school hall for anyone who wishes to purchase a new book for the summer. Please do come and celebrate with us!

### **Year group Assemblies**

Parents are warmly invited to attend their child's end of year assembly. The children will be reminiscing and celebrating their achievements of the past year. Please find dates and times above.

### **Birthday Assemblies**

As Year Group Assemblies will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July, we intend to celebrate pupils' birthdays which fall during the end of term or in the Summer holidays on the following dates:-

Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 9.05am	Reception Birthdays from 10 <sup>th</sup> July to 31 <sup>st</sup> August
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 9.05am	Year One Birthdays from 10 <sup>th</sup> July to 31 <sup>st</sup> August
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 9.05am	Year Two Birthdays from 10 <sup>th</sup> July to 31 <sup>st</sup> August

We hope that you will be able to join us. Please contact the office if this arrangement is unsuitable.

### **Mini-Olympics**

The whole school will be participating in our Mini-Olympics morning on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July. The children will move around different and varied athletic events in classes. The focus of the morning is to have fun, cheer each other on and enjoy the physical activities. We are hoping for sun! Please could your child come into school wearing sports clothing (which they will wear all day) with suitable footwear, and a full water bottle. If thought necessary, sunscreen applied and a hat would be appropriate.

### **Sun Protection**

In support of Stockport LA's 'Sun Know How' campaign and in the hope that more sunny days are before us, please ensure that children, when necessary, come to school with sunscreen protection of at least SPF 30 applied and a hat or cap which will protect their face, neck and ears when appropriate. We will ensure all pupils have the opportunity to drink extra fluids on hot days – please remember your child's water bottle.

### **Uniform**

Our preferred uniform supplier is Zenith Childrenswear and they have the following ordering options:

- 'pay on line' option to their website [www.zenithchildrenswear.co.uk](http://www.zenithchildrenswear.co.uk)
- or
- fill out a uniform order form available from school reception or our VLE and leave it with payment (cash or cheque) in the school office.

Order forms are collected from school by Zenith staff on a Friday and uniform arrives the following Friday for dispatch via your child. Uniform suppliers become very busy during the Summer term so please bear this in mind should you be considering ordering uniform in time for the new school year.

Transition arrangements will be taking place over the half term to welcome our new pupils in September, to ease the move to Year 3 for our Year 2 pupils and to introduce the Reception and Year 1 pupils to their new classroom and teacher in September. We are all looking forward to a very enjoyable half term.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in regard to any queries or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Driscoll  
Headteacher