

# Weekly Newsletter

*'Learn Together, Learn Forever'*



## Welcome

It is a pleasure to introduce you to the first issue of our new weekly newsletter. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you updated about all areas of school life so we can work together even more effectively and share the amazing things that go on at school every week! We will continue to share key messages and information directly on the MCAS app so please keep your settings on automatic alerts.

## Important Dates

February 13<sup>th</sup> ~ Half Term Holidays begin

February 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Back to School

March 24<sup>th</sup> ~ Parent and Carer Meetings

March 26<sup>th</sup> ~ Parent and Carer Meetings

Please see our school website for the Annual Planner



Here are 3 Teachers' Top Tips to support your child's learning at home:

**1** It sounds super simple but ASK your child what their favourite thing they learned this week was. Then, find out more about it together.

**2** Try to beat your child at Times Tables Rockstars! It's harder than it looks...

**3** When you read with your child, ask them to predict what might happen next in the story. Ask them what they would do if they were one of the characters.

## House Points so far this half term...



*Faster*

**84**



*Higher*

**58**



*Stronger*

**69**



*Greater*

**71**

## Subject Spotlight: Phonics

This week we are focussing in on Phonics which is the crucial part of early reading and spelling. At Hazel Grove, we believe that every child needs to be amazing at Phonics so that they can become a brilliant reader. You can help your child be a Phonics superstar by practising with them every day and reading with them and to them so that they become immersed in the wonderful world of books!

## In Every Day Counts

Our school target for attendance is 96%

Our top classes this week are RecWC and 2L who both have an incredible 100%. Well done everyone in those 2 classes and let's try and get more classes with 100% next week!

**100%**



## Supervision at Drop-off

KS2 families, please note that when the gates open at 8:35, your children are your responsibility until 8:45 when the school doors open. There is usually a member of staff in the playground but this is not always the case and we are not responsible for your children until 8:45.

## This Week's Cornerstone Certificate Winners



Head of School  
**Academic Aspiration**  
Cornerstone Award



Sauda, Eva, Lara, Niamh



Head of School  
**Culture, Creativity  
and Rhetoric**  
Cornerstone Award



Evie



### **Cold Weather**

Information about any potential closures due to bad weather will be announced on our website as early as possible on the day of a closure (we would always endeavour to have this on as soon after 7am as possible). In the event of us having to close the school due to severe weather during the school day, this would be communicated via the usual school channels with a request for parents to collect pupils as soon as they are able.

In the event of any school closures we will also endeavour to provide work for the children to complete at home depending on the timings and length of a closure.

## Community Corner

Mr Hossen had the privilege this week of visiting Hazel Grove Library who have a wonderful Tuesday Tots Story Time led by the warm and friendly staff at 11am. If you have a child aged between 0 and 3 then we would highly recommend popping along to hang out, join in and have lots of song and story-based fun!

**Don't forget also that applications for Reception places for September 2026 close next week on the 15<sup>th</sup> January.**

## Staff Shout Out

Mrs Newton is leaving us after 27 years of outstanding service to the school. She is kind, friendly, clever and amazing at sewing, creating, baking and much much more!



She is moving to Llandudno to live by the sea and will be very much missed by us all!



## Please Park Considerately

We understand that parking can be difficult in the morning and after school but please can we ask that all parents remember to park with our neighbours in mind.

We have an arrangement with Hazel Grove Methodist Church to use their car park but please do not park in disabled spaces unless you have a blue badge.

Also, please do not park across driveways of our neighbours as sometimes they cannot access or leave when needed.

Thank you to everyone who parks considerately!



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness