

Parent Information

Attendance

Last year 2016-2017 our overall attendance figures were the following:

	Hallsville 2015-16	Hallsville 2016-7
Overall absence: percentage	96.5%	95.4%

As you can see from the table most children at Hallsville are coming to school for at least 95.4% of the time. Unfortunately, our overall percentage has dipped and a number of children have attendance that is extremely low. It is these families the school is going to target.

As a parent it is your duty to ensure that your children have the best possible chance of reaching their full potential and living a rewarding and fulfilling life. In order to achieve this they must attend school regularly. If your child is persistently absent it impacts greatly on standards, which leads to poor self esteem and well being. It also impacts on friendships and can cause anxieties.

If you are having any problems getting your child into school please ask for an appointment with Ann Jordan who will be more than happy to support you.

I will be sending letters out to all parents whose children have triggered due to poor attendance and will arrange home visits to be carried out so we can support you in ensuring your child improves their attendance.

Early Years Events

Nursery:

Friday 19th January: AM/PM: Stay and Play

Friday 9th February: AM/PM: Stay and Celebrate: Valentines Day

Friday 9th March: AM/PM: Stay and Celebrate: Mothering Sunday

Reception:

Friday 19th January: 8:50am-9:30am: Stay and make: Signs in home language

Thursday 8th February: 8:50am-9:30am: Stay and Celebrate: Valentines Day

Friday 9th March: 8:50am-9:30am: Stay and Celebrate: Mothering Sunday

Wednesday 21st March: 8:50am: Love of Reading Workshop: KS1 Hall



Miscellaneous Date

Friday 2nd March: Book swap in the KS1 hall

Tuesday 6th February: Safer Internet Day

Interscholar KS2 football Tournament Week beginning 26th March

Upcoming Workshops

Friday 9th February:

E Safety Online in KS1 Hall

Wednesday 28th February:

Speech & Language: Chatterbox

Thursday 1st March:

EYFS and KS1: RWI Sessions

Wednesday 7th March:

SP & L/Autism Workshop



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Star the Dog

Happy New Year from Star the dog. Thank you for all of the cards, drawings and gifts she received for Christmas. Star especially loves the, stories, poems, letters and pictures she receives so please don't stop writing and drawing for her.

Spelling Bee

Monday 29th January: Year 5/6

Thursday 1st February: Year 3/4

Friday 2nd February: Year 2



Notices

SATs Week

Year 6 SATs week starts **Monday 14th May**. It is extremely important your child comes to school every day this week.



Zig Zag Parking

Please do not drop your children off in the morning by stopping or parking on the yellow zig zag lines. The lines are there to prevent any children being knocked over by traffic, especially on such a busy road.



Parent Invites

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents will be invited into school to see how their children are taught to read. Ms Walton, the reading manager, will speak to you at 9:00a.m. This will be followed by a chance to see your child read in class. We hope you can all attend.

Date: Thursday 1st March 2018

Half Term Holiday

Monday 12th February 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018.

Children start back to school on Monday 19th February 2018.

Easter /Spring Break

Friday 30th March 2018 to Friday 13th April 2018.

Children start back to school on Monday 16th April 2018.



PE Kits

Please make sure your child has a PE kit to change into for PE (PE tops are available to purchase at the office).

Volunteers

At Hallsville we value the support and input of parents. If you are a parent and you have skills or time to volunteer your support in school please book an appointment to see Ms Okwuegbuna. This can be done through the main office.

Curriculum

Curriculum Topics for Term

This term we will be learning all about these exciting new units of work:

- Nursery & Reception-** Traditional Tales
- Year 1-** The World around Us
- Year 2-** Roles, Responsibilities and Aspirations
- Year 3-** Romans
- Year 4-** Villages and Cities
- Year 5-** Ancient Greeks
- Year 6-** Evolution and Inheritance



Please support your child's learning in school by finding out all about the class topic and by taking your child to a museum or library.

For further details on what your child will be learning this term please look at the school website under the heading- 'Our Learning'.

Enrichment Days

During this term some classes will have the opportunity to take part in an enrichment day. Below is a list of dates for such events:

January:

- Monday 22nd** Year 5: Tate and Lyle
- Thursday 25th** Year 2: Tower Hamlet Council
- Wednesday 24th** Year 4: Places of Worship Visit : Mandir
- Wednesday 26th** Year 4: Action Aid
- Monday 29th** Year 2: Olympic Village



February:

- Monday 5th** Year 1: City Airport (1W)
- Monday 5th** Year 3: Greenwich Museum
- Friday 9th** Year 1: City Airport (1C)
- Monday 19th** Anthony Glen: Romeo and Juliet Workshop
- Tuesday 20th** Selected Children: RE Conference
- Wednesday 21st** Year 2: Place of Worship Visit:
- Friday 23rd** Year 6: Anthony Glen: Macbeth Workshop
- Monday 26th** Year 2: History Off The Page: Fire of London
- Tuesday 27th** Year 1: Places of Worship Visit: Gurdwara



March:

- Friday 2nd** Selected Year 5/6 Children: Tech Company Yoti
- Tuesday 6th** Year 3: Places of Worship Visit: Synagogue

Mathematics Week

Starting Monday 5th February

Times Table Bee for Years 3 & 4 is on the **6th February**

Times Table Bee for Years 5 & 6 is on the **7th February**

Problem Solving Day for Reception, Year 1 & 2 is on the **9th February**

February

Problem Solving Day for Years 4, 5, & 6 is on the **8th February**

Year 5 & 6 parents are invited to take part in or watch a maths lesson at 9:00am on the **7th February**

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Citizenship Week

This year during Citizenship Week the school is looking closely at British Values. Children will begin to understand what democracy means.

The school values are:

- We love learning: Challenge makes us grow.
- Our strength is valuing our differences
- We show we care through our behaviour
- Our learning begins with us. Work hard!
- The school will also be voting for a Head girl and Head boy this term. Good luck to our Year 6 candidates.

Starting Monday 22nd January

Book Week

Book Fair in the KS1 hall after school on the 22nd February

Our World Book Day visitor is:

Piers Torday visiting KS2: **28.2.2018**

Nadia Shireen visiting Reception and KS1:

1.3.2018

Thursday 1st March: World Book/Dress up day

Starting Monday 26th February



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Maths Week

The week beginning the 5th February will be Maths Week at school. Your child will have a fun day of maths work. During this week KS2 children would like to invite their parents into part of a maths lesson to show you how they are progressing in maths.

Tuesday 6th February at 9:00am Year 5 and Year 6.

Thursday 8th February at 9:00am Year 3 and Year 4.

As part of maths week the school will be focusing on Mathematics. Every child in school has a username and password for this. Please see your class teacher if your child requires one. Mathematics is a great way to support your child with maths at home. Children access this site on the Our Learning page on our school website:

www.hallsville.newham.sch.uk



Times tables

In order for your child to do well at maths they need to learn their times tables. Please help your child learn their tables at home by practising every day. By the time your child is in Year 4 they should know all their tables up to 12 x 12. Ms Khanom who is our Mathematics lead teacher will be creating some very exciting Times tables challenges over the year.



Reading

At Hallsville the key skill we hope to teach your child is how to read. Reading helps children develop in all areas. Please try to ensure your child reads 5 times a week for 10-20 minutes depending on their age. Also where possible, read to your child before they go to bed. Having stories read to them by an adult helps children develop their ideas in writing and also enriches their language. Please take time to look over the super book recommendations made by Ms Miller our English lead teacher.

Every Child a Musician

What a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to learn a musical instrument. Please ensure your child practises their instrument for 10 minutes a day and remembers to bring it into school every week with their music books.

Birthdays

A gentle reminder that if it is your child's birthday, you may bring in a box of chocolates 'Celebrations' to share with the class. As we are a healthy school party bags are not encouraged.



Parents' Evening

A date for the calendar, Parents' Evening will be held on the 22nd March 2018. Appointments begin at 2.30pm, so the end of this school day will be 2.15pm.

We will be expecting to see you all turn up to show your child you care about how they are doing at school. We had a great response to last Parents' Evening so I will look forward to seeing you all.

There will be tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits on sale in the Key Stage 1 hall as well as other stalls

School Times

Please make sure that all children are in school by 8.50 a.m. at the latest. School finishes at 3.30 pm. Parents should make sure that their children are collected on time.

Please note that for the safety of your child no parent or adult should come into the school building without first reporting to the school office. If parents need to speak to their child's teacher they should make an appointment at the school office.

Health and Safety

Please remember to send your child to school in sensible flat shoes. I recommend trainers. Also a number of children have been coming to school wearing necklaces, rings and earrings. This is a health risk as it increases risk of injury during playtime.

With the onset of much colder weather over the next few weeks please ensure your child is wearing warm suitable clothing.



Head Lice

I am sending home with this letter some information on how to treat head lice. Please ensure you regularly check your child's hair for head lice and treat in one of the suggested ways. If you would like an appointment with the school nurse in regard to this matter please speak to Ann Jordan in the office who will arrange one for you.