

Parent Information

Attendance

Well done to all of those pupils who received 100% attendance certificate for the autumn term- there were 105 of you. Here are the attendance percentages for each class for the autumn term.

1A- 98.07%
 1F- 96.36%
 2F- 96.28%
 2M- 95.35%
 3C- 97.90 %
 3H- 95.07%
 4AP- 95.42%
 4SP -95.47%
 5A- 95.99%
 5F- 96.75%
 6J- 97.32%
 6M- 96.45

Overall, the autumn term percentage for the whole school was 96.38%.

Last year 2017-2018 our overall attendance figures were the following:

	Hallsville 2017-8	Hallsville 2016-7
Overall absence: percentage	95.6%	95.4%

As you can see from the table most children at Hallsville are coming to school for at least 95.6% of the time. Our overall percentage has risen slightly but we always aim to achieve at least 96%. 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.

As always, thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support.

Lorraine Johnson
 Head of School

The Hallsville NEWSLETTER



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.

Hallsville Values

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



Notices

Citizenship Week

Congratulations to our newly elected Head Boy and Head Girl. I am looking forward to our weekly meetings and bringing new ideas into our school.



Parent Workshops

9am Wednesday 13th of February - Speech & Language parent workshop for KS1 and EYFS: Core vocabulary and Social Communication.

On Wednesday 6th February, parenting classes start: 'Triple P'. If you are interested in joining this 6 week programme please let Ann in the office know.

School Photographs

Family and individual photo day is on Monday 25th March



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, specially on



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.

E-Safety

Parents are invited to an E-Safety Meeting on Tuesday 5th March 2019 at 9am.



SATs Week

Year 6 SATs week starts **Monday 13th May**. It is extremely important your child comes to school every day.



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)

Half Term Holiday for children

Monday 18th February 2019 to Friday 22nd February 2019.

Children start back to school on **Monday 25th February 2019.**

Easter /Spring Break
Friday 5th April 2019 to Monday 22nd April 2019.

Children start back to school on **Tuesday 23rd 2019.**



Curriculum

Curriculum Topics for Term

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

Nursery - Transport

Reception- Exploration

Year 1- Everyday materials - How is my life different to that of my family in the past?

Year 2- Materials (Grouping & classifying & changing materials) Great Britons e.g. Florence Nightingale

Year 3- Forces & magnets - Our changing planet / Natural disasters

Year 4- States of matter - The Benin including comparing human geography (settlements & trade)

Year 5- Properties & changes to materials South America - The Amazon and forests under threat

Year 6- Electricity Light - Using technology to solve a problem Mechanisms/Control technology / computing systems (Lego We Do - teach through computing) Cooking and nutrition -Who can make the tastiest pizza?



Please support your child's learning in school by searching for information on the internet or taking your child to a museum or library. Year groups will be setting Curiosity Project homework to support with this.

Enrichment Days

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

- Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 5th February
- Year 3 Greenwich Museum - Monday 11th February
- Year 5 Junior Citizens visit to Tate and Lyle - Monday 11th February
- Year 1 History off the Page Victorian Toys - Friday 25th February
- Year 6 Macbeth Drama - Friday 28th February
- Year 1 Museum of Childhood - Wednesday 6th March
- Year 5 Bread Making - Wednesday 13th March
- Whole School visit by Joshua Seigal- Poet Friday 22nd March
- Interscholar KS2 football Tournament Week beginning 1st April
- Year 2 Florence Nightingale Museum-Wednesday 27th March
- Whole school Creative Writing Day -Wednesday 4th April
- Reception Places of Worship - Thursday 7th March
- Year 1 Places of Worship visit - Date to be confirmed
- Year 4 Place of Worship visit - Date to be confirmed
- Year 5 Mosque visit - Tuesday 12th February

Times tables

During Maths Week there will also be a times tables challenge where each child will be able to take part in a times tables challenge. Please also be aware that every child will be awarded a 144 badge if they can prove to their teacher that they know all 1444 times tables sums. Miss Khanom will award these badges every week in Whole School Assembly.



Early Years Events

Reception & Nursery- Stay and celebrate

Valentine's Day 14th February



Reception & Nursery- Stay and celebrate

Mothering Sunday on Friday 29th March



Book Week starts on the 4th of March 2019

Roving Bookshop in KS2 hall - Friday 1st of March

Our World Book Day visitor is: A.F. Harrold
Visiting KS1 & KS2 on Friday 1st of March

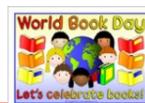
World Book Day is on **Thursday 7th March**

Children should dress up as a famous character.

Spelling Bee – Year 2 Friday 15th March

Spelling Bee – Year 3/4 Tuesday 12th March

Spelling Bee – Year 5/6 Monday 11th March



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Maths Week

The week beginning the 4th 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.

Monday 4th February at 9:00am Year 1 and Year 2.

Tuesday 5th February at 9:00am Year 3 and Year 4.

Thursday 7th February at 9:00am Year 5 and Year 6.

As part of maths week the school will be focusing on our times tables (multiplication facts) knowledge. Please encourage your children to use **Times Tables Rockstars and Mathletics** to practise this-every child in school has a username and password. Please see your class teacher if your child requires one. **Times Tables Rockstars and Mathletics** 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



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 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 **Thursday 28th March 2019**. **Appointments begin at 2.30p.m, so the end of this school day will be 2.15p.m.**

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.

Parent Invites

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents will be invited into school to see how their children are taught to read. Ms Okuegbuna, 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: 28th Feb 2019

School Times

Please make sure that all children are in school by **8.50 a.m.** at the latest. School finishes at **3.30 p.m.** 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.

