

Hallsville News

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May 2021

Message from Ms Jones

We can't believe how quickly this half-term has gone and we are delighted that the school has returned back to some kind of normality. It is a delight to walk around the school and see all children so engaged in their learning. The teachers have been busy identifying any gaps that children may have due to the school closures and ensuring that all children are making good progress. We would like to thank you for your continued support in making sure that your child attends school every day as this is now more important than ever.

It has been a very busy half term indeed and all children at Hallsville recently enjoyed our Art Week. Some year groups were lucky enough to work with the artist Tim Davies to produce some large-scale artwork. Please see the website for more details.

Year 5 – Dragonfly Lifecycle



Year 1 – Animal Masks



I am hoping that everyone is able to make the most of the holiday to rest and relax so that they can come back rejuvenated and full of energy for what I hope will be a great last summer term. I wish you all a safe and restful holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 7th June.

Hallsville Values

- We love learning and challenge makes us grow.
- Our strength is in valuing our differences.
- We show we care through our behaviour.
- Our learning begins with us. Work hard!

Teachers

We would like to wish Ms Walton, who has recently started her maternity leave, the best of luck and can't wait to meet her new baby who is due any time now! We would also like to welcome back Ms Miller who has recently returned from her maternity leave and we are thrilled to have her back at Hallsville.

Holidays

The last day of term is Friday 28th May. **Please remember that this is a full day.**

Children start back for the final Summer Term on Monday 7th June

Dates to Note

Summer Term 2 Monday 7th June – Tuesday 20th July.

5th July - reception parent meeting for new starters in September

22nd June - EYFS sports day

25th June - Non-competitive sports day

29th June - KS1 competitive sports day

1st July - KS2 competitive sports day

15th July – Year 6 school leavers' disco

Attendance

Here are the attendance percentages for Summer Term 1. Well done to 2M who have the highest attendance this half term!

Class	Percentage	Class	Percentage
RF	91.7%	RP	94.5%
1C	96.9%	1F	94.7%
2H	95.8%	2M	97%
3H	94%	3Z	96.4%
4G	94.2%	4I	94%
5A	94.4%	5P	95.1%
6F	92.8%	6N	95.7%

As a parent, it is your duty to ensure that your children have the best possible chance of reaching their full potential and to live 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 their achievements which leads to poor self-esteem and well-being. It also impacts on friendships and can cause anxieties. If you are having any problems bringing your child into school, please ask for an appointment with Ms Okwuegbuna, who will be more than happy to support you.

If your child is going to be absent, please remember to ring the school office on each day of the absence.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is now open to all children from Reception to Y6. Children are provided with a healthy breakfast and have a chance to play games and read. The club currently operates using the bubble system. Breakfast club costs £1 a day and is free for children eligible for free school meals. If you would like to book your child a place, please contact the main office.

Wrap Around Care

We do have after school wrap around care at Hallsville which is provided by Premier Education and means that children can stay in school until 6:00pm. You can book a place directly through them. Details are on the school website or you can follow this link: <https://hallsville.newham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Hallsville-Leaflet-March-2021-1-1.pdf>

Holiday Camp

Premier Education will also be running a half term camp from Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June . If you would like your child to attend, please book a place directly though Premier Education. Details are on our website or follow this link: <https://hallsville.newham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/HALLSVILLE-MAY-HT-1.pdf>

May Half-term Holiday Programme

Newham council is offering a range of face-to-face and online activities over the holidays with their May Half-term Holiday Programme. Please follow the link for more information on how to book activities for your child. <https://www.newham.gov.uk/downloads/file/3223/may-half-term-holiday-programme>

Reading

We are excited to announce that, as part of our commitment to every child being a reader at Hallsville, all children will be visiting Canning Town Library next term. During this visit, they will receive their own library membership card and learn about how they can take part The Summer Reading Challenge. Below are the dates of the library visits and you will receive a letter nearer the time.

Year Group	Date of visit
RF	14 th July
RP	13 th July
1	6 th July
2	7 th July
3	21 st June
4	23 rd June
5	22 nd June
6	5 th July

Homework

Please help your child check their Google Classroom over the half-term break as this will be used to set homework. If your child is new to the school, contact the office for login details.

In KS2, as part of your child’s weekly homework, we will be sending home a non-fiction text that is linked to their learning in school. Please engage in this text with your child to discuss what they have learnt from reading it. There is a lot of research to show that a child with rich background knowledge will access learning easier. The more a child knows, the more they will learn! We thank you in advance for your support with this.

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you to those parents who completed the online learning parental survey and the Relationships, Sex and Health Education parent consultation. We really do value your feedback and opinions and will use it to make future decisions.

Contact Tracing Over the Half Term Break

We are required as a school to continue with contact tracing over the holidays, following similar arrangements as previous holidays. **Please inform the school if your child tests positive for COVID-19 if they developed symptoms within 48 hours of attending school.** You can contact Hannah Cleland on 07891181367.

If your child develops symptoms during the holidays but they developed symptoms after 48 hours of attending school, you don’t need to contact the school but should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

Curriculum

Here is a preview into some of the topics that we will be covering in Summer Term 2. You can find out more on our website. Please support your child’s learning by researching these topics with them at home and by visiting museums now that they are open again.

Year group	Curriculum Learning
Nursery	The Little Red Hen Mini Beasts
Reception	The Three Billy Goats Gruff People and Communities
Year 1	How is my life different to that of my family in the past? Seasonal Changes/Plants
Year 2	One World – Pushing Boundaries. Plants – Looking after plants and helping them grow
Year 3	Ancient Egyptians Animals including Humans - muscular and skeletal systems
Year 4	Rivers, Lakes and Seas. What happens to plastic bags? Living Things and their Habitats – classification
Year 5	Anglo Saxons, Scots and Vikings Living Things and their Habitats – Life Cycles
Year 6	The Mayans Animals Including Humans

Curriculum Enrichment

Due to the easing of lock-down restrictions, we are delighted to announce that we will once again be able to take children on some educational visits. We will be following all government guidance and for the time being, we will not be using public transport. Local visits or visits using a private coach will go ahead.

8th June **Year 3** History Off the Page workshop: Life in Ancient Egypt

9th June **Year 5** History Off the Page workshop: Life in Viking and Anglo Saxon Britain

10th June **Year 1** History Off the Page workshop: History of Toys

Reception and Year 5 – hatching chicks

7th June RE Faith in Schools online workshop **Year 4**

9th June RE Faith in Schools online workshop **Year 5**

1st July RE Faith in Schools online workshop **Year 6**

2nd July **Year 6** educational visit to Margate and Kingsgate beaches

9th July **Year 6** Chessington World of Adventures

EU Settled Status update

Did you know that all children who are an EU citizen and living in the UK must have their own EUSS application? If your child was born in the UK but is not a British citizen, they will still need to apply. If you have already applied to the EUSS, you can link your child's application to yours. This means that if your own application is successful, your child will get the same status as you. You will need to prove your relationship to your child and also have a copy of their ID. For further support call the EUSS Bilingual Helpline: 0808 196 3510 or e-mail: staysettledinnewham@gmail.com

Good News

We are thrilled to announce that Hallsville has been recognised by UNICEF as a **Rights Respecting School**. Having been awarded the Bronze award, Hallsville now has an international accreditation that states we are committed to upholding and championing your children's rights, as outlined in the United Nation's Convention of the Rights of the Child. We will be creating a Steering Group made up of pupils, staff and governors to ensure your child's voice is heard and amplified. Keep an eye out for the article of the week on our website

<https://hallsville.newham.sch.uk/our-school/rights-respecting-school/>

