



Hallsville

Primary School

# Hallsville News

## Autumn 1 2021 Welcome Back

We hope that you have all had a safe, healthy and restful summer. We are all happy to welcome your children back into school for what we hope will be a positive and productive new academic year. Please read the important information below and make sure that you are adhering to our protocols.

## Covid 19 Protocols

Our procedures are in line with government operational guidance July 2021. There is now an imperative to reduce the disruption to children's education. The priority is to deliver face-to-face, high quality education to all pupils.

Please note:

- We will continue to regularly update our risk assessment
- We will ensure good hygiene for everyone
- Regular handwashing will continue throughout the day
- We will continue the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach for respiratory
- We will continue with heightened cleaning regimes
- Spaces will be well ventilated
- Some assemblies will resume
- Children will no longer be required to stay in 'bubbles'
- Children will be allowed to mix at lunch times and playtimes
- We will follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases
- We will continue with children entering the school through different gates and with slightly staggered times to reduce the risk of mass crowds. See below:

Year group	Start time	End Time	Entrance/Exit
Nursery am	8:45	11:45	Nursery gates
Nursery pm	12:30	3:30	Nursery gates
Reception	8:50	3:30	Main entrance. Walk around the back through the carpark.
Year 1	8:50	3:30	Main entrance and through the side gates.
Year 2	8:40	3:20	Main entrance and through the side gates.
Year 3	8:45	3:30	Main gates and across the main playground.
Year 4	8:40	3:30	Rear gate into the back playground.
Year 5	8:30	3:30	Rear gate into the back playground.
Year 6	8:30	4:00	Main gates and across the main playground.

## PE

- Pupils must come to school wearing their PE kit on their allocated PE days
- PE kits should be school colours: black or blue shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms/white t-shirt/black, red or blue jumper or tracksuit top.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 4 Year 2	Year 3 Year 5 Year 1	Year 6 Year 4	Year 5 Reception	Year 6 Year 1

## Important Dates

- Inset Days: 22nd October 2021, 26th November 2021 and 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022 (school will be closed to children)
- Parents' Evenings: 25th November 2021 and 24th March 2022
- Half term: 25th October – 29th October
- See term dates for the year <https://hallsville.newham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/School-term-and-holiday-dates-calendar-2021-only.pdf>

## Contact with parents

It is essential that the school can easily communicate with all of our parents. We will be using **School Ping** which is an app that you can download onto your phones. We are asking parents to update their contact details as soon as possible by following this link:

You will then receive an invite to **School Ping** through your email (if you can already access School Ping, you don't need to do this).

## Curriculum

Here is a reminder of some of the topics that your child will be covering in Autumn Term 1. You can find out more on our website.

Year group	Curriculum Learning
Nursery	Dear Zoo Being me in My World
Reception	Owl Babies People and Communities
Year 1	Goldilocks and the Three Bears Seasonal Changes My school and where I live
Year 2	Jack and the Beanstalk Animals including humans The Great Fire of London
Year 3	The Day the Crayons Quit Light Stone Age to Iron Age
Year 4	The Lost Happy Endings Sound The Roman Empire and Romans in Britain
Year 5	The Water Kelpie Forces Ancient Greece
Year 6	Non-chronological reports on endangered animals Evolution and Inheritance The Battle of Britain

## **Reading Matters**

At Hallsville, we know that for our children, being read to by an adult every day increases their life opportunities. Research shows the difference it makes to children's vocabulary acquisition by the time they are already 5.

At 5 years old children:

- who are never read to know 4,662 words
- who are read to 1-2 times a week know 63,570 words
- who are read to 3-5 times a week know 169,520 words
- who are read to daily know 296,660 words
- who are read to 5 times a day know 1,483,300 words

Let's all get reading! Our older children love adults reading to them too.

## **Breakfast Club**

We are running a breakfast club for the children of working parents. If you would like to book a place, please contact the main office. It is £1:00 for each morning session. A minimum contactless payment of £10.00 will be accepted in the main office.

## **Wrap Around Care**

We do also offer parents wrap around care for Hallsville children. This service is provided by Premier Education on the school site. You can book a place directly through them. <https://www.premier-education.com/>

## **Harvest Festival**

We will be acknowledging Harvest Festival on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September in our school assembly. Children are invited to donate food (tinned or dried food) before this date. All food collected will be donated to Anchor House in Canning Town which is a charity for homelessness.

## **Parent Workshops**

We will be offering parent workshops for all parents. The workshops will be recorded by the class teachers and added to our website for you to view on the week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> September. Teachers will be sharing key information and strategies for supporting your children at home.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ms Jones

Head of School