

Dear Parents & Carers

We are delighted to have welcomed our new and returning families and with how quickly the children have settled in to their new classes and routines.

I'm sure you will have also noticed our new and improved entrance and reception area which helps us meet our stringent safeguarding and data protection standards whilst improving the learning environment.

Kind regards, *Mrs Edwards* - Headteacher

# Heronsgate

## Newsletter

### September 2018



#### Before & After School Care

A reminder that Premier Sport now operate both breakfast and after school clubs on site providing care from 7.30am to 6pm daily without your child having to leave the premises. They are also able to take childcare vouchers now. Full details are on our website, all bookings and payments are made direct with Premier Sport.

[www.http://heronsgate.org.uk/after-school-clubs](http://heronsgate.org.uk/after-school-clubs)

#### New members of the Heronsgate Team

Welcome to our new teachers:-

Y3—Mrs Graban (Wrens), Miss King (Blackbirds).

Y4—Mr Jones (Herons)

Y5—Miss Robinson (Penguins)

Y6—Mr Pettit (Eagles)

And our new Learning Support Assistants:-

Mrs Bogusz, Mrs Datta, Mrs Kada, Mr Paine, Mrs Sisodiya and Mrs Watkins

#### Punctuality and Attendance

In our drive to improve this we continually monitor both individuals and groups of pupils, and work closely with the MKET Welfare & Attendance Officer to address any concerns.

Weekly attendance reports detailing how much learning time has been lost due to lateness and absence will be sent out this year.

We will continue to celebrate the best attendance each week in assembly and 100% attendance each term. 46 pupils achieved this in 2017/18, the highest number since the award started. Well done!

#### Uniform reminder

Trainer type shoes are not part of our uniform and should not be worn in school. Shoes/boots should be plain black and of a sensible design (NO trainers, platform, high heeled shoes, or Ugg style boots).

Hair should be neat and tidy - novelty head/hairbands and large 'Jojo' bows must not be worn. Hair accessories should be moderate in size and style and in school colours only.

No jewellery is to be worn except for watches and stud earrings (which must be removed for PE).

Your support with this is appreciated.

#### Termly Learning Conversations (TLC's)

This terms dates are as follows:-

Year 5— Tuesday 13th November 2018

Year 6—Thursday 15th November

Year 4—Tuesday 20th November

Year 3—Thursday 22nd November

*Details will be sent out by email after half term*

#### Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO's)

We will be re-launching our Junior Road Safety (JRS) scheme very soon and once again will be advertising for new recruits.

#### 2018/19 TERM DATES

##### AUTUMN TERM – SEPTEMBER 2018

Half term Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Oct to Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Nov

Staff Training Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Oct

Staff Training Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec

Term ends Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

##### SPRING TERM – JANUARY 2019

Term begins Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019

Half term Mon 15<sup>th</sup> to Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Feb

Term ends Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April

##### SUMMER TERM – APRIL 2019

Term begins Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Apr 2019

Bank Holiday Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May

Half term Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May to Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Jun

Staff Training Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Term ends Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

*(Pupils do not attend school on staff training days)*

##### School hours reminder:

Children should be in their class lines on the playground by 8.40am. After this the class doors are closed and children must come through reception to be marked as 'late'. Collection from class doors is at 3.20pm daily, at 3.30pm children will be taken to reception for collection.