

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weather hasn't been any warmer this week but the sunshine helps. The children have worked incredibly hard in all subjects. We really enjoyed assembly this morning. Ava and Emily in Year 6 shared the work they have been doing in Computing where they have programmed Micro-Bits. It is exciting to think that our children will be working in jobs that haven't been thought of yet, and also will have opportunities for game design and programming.

#### Merits

Well done to all those children who have gone over and above.

EYFS	Zerin
Year 1	Coutinho
Year 2	Cole
Year 3	Asa
Year 4	Heidi
Year 5	Shane
Year 6	William
Headteacher Award	Miss Boulton – completing her NPQTD qualification
	Mr Brown – National Breakfast Champion

We are very proud of all staff and are thankful for all they do for the children and families at Nursery Hill. Miss Boulton has been working towards her National Professional Qualification for Teacher Development and this week has been notified of her success in passing it. Mr Brown was awarded a certificate from the National School Breakfast Programme for all he does in getting the bagels ready for the children every day. Well done and thank you.



We are delighted to offer a FREE Breakfast provision in school for our children. The breakfast, that is provided by the National School Breakfast Programme runs from 8.30-8.45am. It is partly funded by the Department for Education and run by Family Action to support schools in England to provide children with a healthy breakfast at the start of the school day. Triple A Foods also contribute to the dairy free spread for the bagels.

Family Action is committed to supporting child development, and believe a healthy school breakfast, without barrier or stigma, can set up children to succeed and give them the very best chance to learn. In a normal school year, schools are open just over half the year (taking into account weekends and school holidays). This means even where breakfast is available within school, children are still having breakfast at home almost 50% of the time. Below you will find tips, ideas, information, recipes, videos and quizzes to make breakfast time an easy part of your morning routine at home.

https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/children-families/food/breakfast-support/breakfast-at-home/

Ready Respectful Safe



# **Class Photographs**

JS Photography will be in school on the morning of Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May to take class photos and photos of Y6. We would like to invite all children who have joined our school since October (the last time JS Photography were in) to have their photos taken. Year 4 should come in their uniform not their PE kit please.

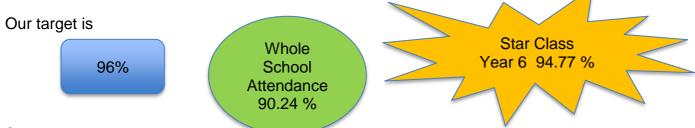
### **Easy Fundraising**

Thanks to all the donations through our fundraising, we have bought a shed, some tools and class equipment which the children enjoy using in their learning outdoors. Easyfundraising has now raised nearly £750 and have 42 supporters. We are delighted that our cause is in the top 20% of all causes and would like to thank everyone who now shops through the app.

Click on the QR code to sign up to support Nursery Hill or find out more from this link. <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/</a>

### **Attendance**

Well done to those indivduals who attend everyday. Letters have been sent to families for whom attendance is below our target of 96%. We monitor attendance of all pupils closely as required by the DfE as we all know the importance of good attendance and the link to positive outcomes for pupils. Thank you to all who regularly update us when the children are absent. We would like to remind families of the request form for Leave of Absence as we have to notify the Local Authority about holidays taken in term-time.



## **School Money**

Each Friday, the School Money App generates an automatic text and email to families updating them on payments for school dinners, trips and Wrap Around Care. This is to help families stay on top of finances in school. We are currently carrying over £3,000 of unpaid fees so would very much appreciate families paying bills promptly. Some families pay through ChildCare vouchers and other schemes. The Office staff work through these individually and will adjust accordingly.

#### **Forest School GSMB**

This week we have celebrated Earth Day in the woods. Our wonderful KS1 students have learnt all about recycling and reusing. There's been a whole host of games and activities including 'Don't Wake the Seaweed!' and 'Save the Sea Creatures' as well as building and creating, digging for precious stones and water challenges as well as working on our team building skills.

Our **Stay & Play** sessions continue to be a busy every **Wednesday**. Next week, we are delving into the nocturnal world of 'Owl Babies'. They'll be lots of feathers and flapping and even the opportunity to create a wooden owl for you to take home. There's still space to join us just send a message to our Facebook page and we'll get back to you!

Yours sincerely.

Mrs Jeans and Staff

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