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Summer Newsletter - July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers and families,

As the end of this academic year fast approaches us, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support and share some important information for both the summer holidays and for the start of our new academic year in September.

Goodbyes and well wishes!

We would like to wish all our Year 6 children a very special 'goodbye for now' as their time at Hunslet Moor comes to an end and they begin their transition to secondary school. We are proud of all their achievements. We would be delighted to see all pupils in person again, we are very much looking forward to hearing how you are getting on and please remember we are always here to support you. We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 6 parents/carers to our Leavers Service on Friday 21st July at 9am- further details to follow.

We are also saying 'goodbye' to a number of valued staff at the end of this academic year. I would like to start by saying thank you to two special leaders....

Mr Crawford, a huge thank you for everything you have given and achieved for Hunslet Moor since you joined the school back in 2014 as UPKS2 leader! Mr Crawford's dedicated and compassionate leadership as a Phase leader, Deputy head and Co-Head has been very significant to the school, developing and reforming aspects of practice and provision, all of which have resulted in improving outcomes for children; supporting many families; and being a valued colleague to many. On a personal note, it has been a privilege to lead Hunslet Moor with Mr Crawford and I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to work as a Co-Head. I really hope you can acknowledge the impact you have had Mr Crawford!

We also need to say a special goodbye to Miss Wicks. Miss Wicks has been part of Hunslet Moor since January 2012. Miss Wicks has progressed from a class teacher to an Assistant Head teacher and has shown incredible dedication to pupils and colleagues alike, I really hope you are proud of the difference you have made Miss Wicks during your time at the school.

Congratulations to Mrs Graham, who has secured a promotion to EYFS phase leader! Mrs Graham has again contributed to the school for over a decade, joining us as an NQT back in 2010. We are

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really thankful for all of your contributions Mrs Graham- making a difference to so many families and your very successful leadership of PSHE.

Miss Kane is also leaving us to take up a new teaching position. We are very proud of Miss Kane's development since joining us as an NQT; Miss Kane has developed into a very talented teacher who has progressed to the leadership position of Phase Leader.

Congratulations to Miss McPhee who has, following on from her relocation, secured an EYFS teaching position much closer to home. Thank you Miss McPhee for your sustained commitment to the school, in particular, all the work you have put into improving the quality of education within Early Years and the very long commute you have endured over the last term!

Congratulations to Mrs Grace who has secured a position in specialist provision from September. Thank you Mrs Grace for your leadership of our Silver Birch provision this year, we wish you every success in your new role.

And finally, a big thank you to Mrs Davidson who has done a great job of covering Miss Verity's maternity leave- I know your class have loved having you as their teacher this year! Wishing you the best of luck as you begin your next teaching position.

And so to Mr Crawford, Miss Wicks, Mrs Graham, Miss Kane, Miss McPhee, Mrs Grace and Mrs Davidson- THANK YOU for the difference you have made to us all including many pupils, families and staff past and present. Finally, a personal thank you for the way you have engaged in handovers with our new team of leaders and teachers joining for the next academic year. The generosity of the time you have given through handover meetings, sharing of resources and making all new staff feel so welcome is very much appreciated and says an awful lot about how you continue to invest in the school. We really hope you stay in touch!

Moving into 2023-24, I am therefore delighted to welcome a number of new leaders and teachers. Working alongside myself as Deputy Head teachers will be Miss Bolger and Mrs Frankland. As I am sure you will be aware, Miss Bolger is an established Assistant Head teacher here at Hunslet Moor, Mrs Frankland is an established Assistant Head teacher who will be joining us new to the school.

The following leaders will also be part of next year's Senior Leadership Team:

- Miss Burdett and Miss Bates, both experienced Phase leaders at Hunslet Moor, have secured promotions to take up the posts of Assistant Head teachers- both will be leading a key stage in school.
- Mr Hall, an experienced teacher will be joining the school as a senior leader and will be teaching and leading in KS1.

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The following teachers will also be part of next year's Senior Management Team:

- Mrs Henry a well-established Reception teacher will be taking over the leadership of EYFS.
- Mr Acton an experienced teacher will be leading LKS2.
- Mr Mason an experienced teacher and leader of PE will be leading Sports Premium/PE and teaching in KS2.

Teaching Team

We also welcome Miss Robinson and Miss Tointon to our KS2 teaching team.

Year group	Teacher(s) in 2023-2024
Nursery	Mrs S Gray: Nursery Manager and Mrs J Browne
Reception A	Miss L Wells
Reception B	Mrs A Henry: EYFS phase leader
Class 1a	Miss E Pratt
Class 1b	Mrs H Pope
Class 2a	Mrs M Read
Class 2b	Miss M Verity (2 days a week) and Mr G Hall (3 days a week) (Miss S Bates/ Mr G Hall KS1 leader)
Class 3a	Ms R Hayes
Class 3b	Mr R Mason
Class 4a	Miss A Robinson
Class 4b	Mr J Acton: LKS2 leader
Class 5a	Mrs H Esteves
Class 5b	Miss E Tointon
Class 6a	Mrs A Wragg (formerly known as Miss Crook)
Class 6b	Miss R Burdett and Miss N Dutton (Miss R Burdett- UKS2 leader)
	Mrs J Ahmer is on maternity leave

During your parent consultation meetings we will be sharing with pupils and parents/carers which class they will be in and who their teacher will be next year.

We are currently finalising our deployment of support staff and we will share an update with you before the end of term.

Beginning the new academic year: September 2023

In all year groups from year 1 to 6, we look forward to welcoming you back into school on **Wednesday 6th September**. Parents of Nursery and Reception children have been given details regarding their individual start dates in September, if you need to check any information about the start dates for your Nursery or Reception child, please contact school before Friday 21st July.

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Start dates and arrival & dismissal arrangements

Our school day and week will be confirmed in the final newsletter which is to follow.

We will continue to provide **a free breakfast for every child** arriving at school to ensure the best start to their day.

Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that every child arrives at school on time and ready to learn each day. There is a clear link between poor attendance and punctuality and the impact this has on a child's progress and attainment. As a school, we have some way to go in improving a significant number of pupils' attendance. During your parent consultation meeting, we will be sharing your child(ren) attendance and punctuality for this academic year. Thank you for every effort you have taken for your child(ren) to arrive on time and be in school for every day they are well enough to attend.

Moving into 2023/24, we ask that you work with us to ensure your child does not miss any learning time by being on time and in school every day.

Uniform & a FREE PE kit for every child:

All children are expected to begin the new term in full uniform. Uniform can be ordered from <https://www.uniweears.co.uk> (0113 2351256)

We want to make all parents aware of support in accessing previously owned school uniform (these posters are also around our school):



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

**Need School Uniform?
Want it for free ?**

**We run a stall every second Saturday 11am-1pm
(Dates: 5th August, 19th August, 2nd Sep, 16th Sept And beyond - at the Café in
Cross Flatts Park. Or Join the Facebook Group 'School Uniform Swap LS11'
To request items you need, and if you have any spare uniform, offer it to others.
We always need volunteers and donations!
For further info, contact Tania on 07917 157830.**

In support of all families, children will be issued with a free PE kit in September which will be a t-shirt and a pair of jogging pants per child. Children are expected to come to school in PE kit on their

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PE days (these will be shared with you by class teachers when we return in September) Kits will be given to children once back in school in September. Children will only be issued with one kit, so if it is lost or your child grows out of it, families will need to purchase new PE Kit.

We want to support every family in terms of being able to access affordable uniform, if you would like further information or to talk to us about any aspect of uniform – please don't hesitate to make an appointment via our main school office.

School Dinners – School Money payments

Thank you to all of you who are prompt in making dinner payments. The cost of a school meal is increasing slightly to £2.12 per day for children in Nursery and £2.46 for children in Year 3 to Year 6.

Please can we take this opportunity to remind you that our expectation is that all meals are paid for weekly and in advance, on the Monday for the week ahead. We will continue to contact any parents with any money owing and your prompt attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated. Any balances remaining unpaid by the beginning of the new academic year, will be passed to Leeds City Council for collection, which could result in you paying more through further charges/administration costs.

Free School Meals

Please see the link below to find out more about eligibility for free school meals and how to apply:
<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/apply-for-free-school-meals>

Children may be eligible for free school meals if their parents or carers receive any of the following benefits:

- income support
- income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- income based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190
- the guaranteed element of the State Pension Credit
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit with an annual income of less than £7,400

Universal Infant Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, will automatically get free school meals through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme. Parents/carers do not need to make an application to receive these meals. If you receive benefits and your child already gets Universal Infant Free School

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Meals, please can we ask that you still register for free school meals. This enables us to claim funding to support your child at school through Pupil Premium.

If your child is moving into Year 3, the Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme comes to an end, so you will need to start paying for meals unless your child qualifies for free meals through any benefits you are in receipt of.

Milk at School

For Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 children, the system for ordering milk is explained on our school website, please follow the link: <https://www.hunsletmoor.co.uk/parents-and-carers/school-meals>
Nursery and Children under 5 in Reception receive milk each day free of charge.

If your child qualifies for Free School Meals through benefit eligibility, you can also receive milk free of charge. Please contact the [School Office](#).

Support over the summer

We are aware that families are facing the challenge of rising costs for goods and energy, rising inflation and cost of living pressures after the pandemic and war in Ukraine. The government is offering help for households. Please see the links below to access further support:



Help for Households

Income support

<https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk/help-with-your-bills/>

Help with your bills:

<https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk/help-with-childcarecosts/>

Help with childcare costs:

<https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk/housing-support/>

Housing support:

<https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk/help-with-transportcosts>

Help with transport costs:

<https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk/help-finding-work>

Please see the latest details about local food pantries. The pantries run several times a week at a variety of centres. Membership is £3.50 and is paid weekly.

Cranmore Food Pantry, Cranmore & Raylands Community Centre, Cranmore Drive, Belle Isle, LS10 4AW Tuesdays 07399 782739

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Watsonia Food Pantry, Watsonia Building, Cross Flatts Park, Beeston, LS11 7NA – Wednesdays – 07495 031908

Little Chef's Family Food Pantry, Middleton Family Centre, 256-262 Sissons Road, Middleton, LS10 4JG – Thursdays – 07508 601337

Beeston Village Food Pantry & Chatty Cafe, Beeston Village Community Centre, Beeston Park Place, Beeston, LS11 8DQ – Thursdays – 07498 734603

Parochial Food Pantry, Parochial Hall, North Lingwell Road, Middleton, LS10 3SR – Fridays – 07771 575598

Reading, learning and activities for families over the summer

Please see the links below for free reading resources to access over the summer and at any time:

- **Leeds Library Service – access to free online books for children of all ages:**

https://le.bolindadigital.com/wldcs_bol_for/b2i/mainPage.html?b2bSite=6050

- **Book Trust free online books for children of all ages:**

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/>

- **Summer Reading Challenge**

<https://news.leeds.gov.uk/news/keep-kids-reading-all-summer-long-with-free-reading-challenge>

Thank you

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your ongoing support, to wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Yours sincerely,

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