

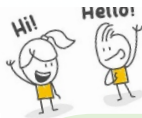


Hall Green News!

all the latest information from Hall Green Primary School

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We would like to welcome back all of you who are returning after the summer break and extend a warm welcome to those of you who are new to Hall Green.

We hope that you managed to make the most of the summer break and you were able to spend some time with your children.

With the weather in mind, please remember that we open our gates at 8:30 in the morning and school officially starts at 8:55 am. We open our doors 10 minutes early at 8:45 am so that there is not one mad rush as everyone tries to get in at the same time. We cannot ask staff to open doors any earlier if the weather is bad, so please make sure that you do not arrive too early and have to stand in the cold or rain.

At the end of the day, please remember that the lines painted around classroom doors and the areas where children are released are there for your children's safety – they ensure that we can have a clear view of children until they are with their adult. Parents coming across the lines or into the areas at busy times will hinder this and, even if for an instant, distract staff from ensuring your child is safe. Please stand well back and be patient, particularly at this time of year when staff are getting to know which adult belongs to which child! **Thank you**

Attendance Expectations



Our expectation is that your child attends school every day. We expect as many of our children as possible to achieve 100% attendance across the year.

We understand that if your child has a serious illness then 100% attendance may not be possible. We do however expect children to come to school if they have a minor illness. Examples of minor illnesses are coughs, colds, sore throats, headaches, head lice and stomach-ache.

If your child has a bout of sickness or diarrhoea, then your child cannot come into school and should be kept off for 48 hours after the last episode. However, if your child is complaining of feeling sick, but has not been sick, send them to school.

If you know you are going to be late getting your child to school, please still bring them, but attempt to do this before 9:40am as a cooked lunch cannot be ordered after this time. You can still bring in your child after this time, but you will need to provide a packed lunch.

If your child is going to be off due to a serious illness, or is going to be late, please ring the school office before 9.30am. If you do not inform the school, then a phone call will be made to ask why your child is absent.

Please note that if a child's attendance falls to 90% or below, this is classed as 'persistent absence'.

New faces!

This term we welcome Miss Chigara, who will be joining our teaching team in Year 2.

OUR SCHOOL GOVERNORS

The Governing Body have asked me to extend a warm **"welcome back"** to everyone on their behalf.

Parent representatives:

Mrs Baker (Child in Y5)

Mrs Devi (Child in Y4 and Y1)

Chair of Governors - Mrs Lamb

Vice Chair - Mr Westbury.

Plus: Mrs Loach, Mrs Paddock, Ms Senya and Mrs Gagliarde.

THANK YOU



On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for the generous gifts and cards that were given at the end of the summer term.



Balls in the morning!

Year 6 may use the arena before school **without staff supervision**. Access is **Year 6 only**, and younger pupils should not access this area. If behaviour issues arise, the **privilege will be withdrawn**.

Younger pupils may bring a ball and play in **designated playground areas** before school, as long as they follow a few simple expectations. Staff cannot supervise at this time, so **parents remain responsible** until the school day begins.

Key Points

- **No staff supervision** — Parents are responsible for children playing before the bell.
- **No field access** — Children must not go onto the field to retrieve a ball without an adult's permission.
- **Be considerate** — Balls must be kept away from other parents and pupils.
- **Carry don't bounce** — Balls should be carried to and from the play area; bouncing or dribbling around others is not acceptable.

Scooters, bikes and site safety

For everyone's safety, **no bikes or scooters may be ridden on the school site** (except where needed for disability purposes). If children bring them, they can be **parked in the cycle shelter** but must be **locked** and are left **at their own risk**.

Please Remember

- No bikes/scooters ridden on site
- No foul or abusive language
- No dogs on site
- No walking or playing on low walls

Contacting class-based staff

Communicating with your child's teachers is an extremely important aspect of us ensuring your child is happy, confident and focussed on learning when they are at school.

If you pass a message via staff on the door that you would like to talk to your child's teacher, they will call you as soon as possible. It may not be on the same day, and it certainly will not be during lesson time, but they will contact you as soon as they can.

Alternatively, you can email staff using our parent contact year group email addresses:

nursery@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mrs Walwyn

reception@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mrs Mason, Mrs Pratt, Mrs Marok

year1@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Miss Evans, Mrs Goodreds, Mrs Dicken

year2@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mrs Read, Miss Chigara

year3@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mr Cotterill, Miss Spriggs, Miss Stokes

year4@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Miss Wall, Miss Hall, Mrs Gorton

year5@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mrs Scott, Miss Gardner

year6@hallgreenprimary.co.uk Mr Falconer, Miss Webley, Mrs Wiltshire

Other staff can be contacted via the school office on 0121 588 2080 or email enquiries@hallgreenprimary.co.uk

SCHOOL DINNERS

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to **Universal Free School Meals**, please do encourage your children to have this meal in school.

If your child is in KS2 (Y3 – Y6) and you believe you may be entitled to free meals, please ask for an application form at the office.

School dinners are **£13.00** each week (£2.60 per meal). Dinners must be paid for at the beginning of the week for the whole week on your parent Arbor app.

Our lunch menus offer great value for money and provide a wide variety of delicious nutritional meals, please do check out the menu on our school website or pop into the office for a printed copy.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: We are a **nut, pea and bean free school** – do **NOT** bring any of these items into school – Thank you

Lunchtime Play

During lunchtime, children can move between different **zoned play areas**, each offering a type of activity such as role-play, quiet spaces, football or construction. The aim is to make play more purposeful and support children's **social and emotional development**.

This half term, we will introduce the zones, activities and our **play charter** during assembly time.

If you have any resources you could donate to support these zones, please speak to **Mrs Gilbert** or **Mrs MacDiarmid**.



School values

Our values underpin all that we do in school and shared by all our staff:

- Resilience
- Honesty
- Ownership
- Respect

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
14.09.26	Y2 Curriculum Meeting	02.11.26	Pupils return to school
15.09.26	Y6 Curriculum Meeting	13.11.26	Children In Need
16.09.26	EYFS Little Wandle Meeting	20.11.26	Non-Uniform Day – donation of sweets
17.09.26	Y5 Curriculum Meeting	27.11.26	Non-Uniform Day – donation of chocolates
22.09.26	Y4 Curriculum Meeting	04.12.26	Non-Uniform Day – donation of bottles
23.09.26	Y3 Curriculum Meeting	09.12.26-11.12.26	Year 2 Residential to Frank Chapman Centre
06.10.26	Y1 Curriculum Meeting	11.12.26	Non-Uniform Day - £1.00 donation
13.10.26	Parents' Evening 3:45pm - 6:00pm	16.12.26	Christmas Lunch
14.10.26	Individual Pupil Photographs	17.12.26	Christmas Extravaganza
16.10.26	Non-Uniform Day (£1.00 donation)	18.12.26	Party Day
22.10.26	Autumn Disco	21.12.26-01.01.27	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
23.10.26	Training Day - school closed to pupils	04.01.27	Training Day – school closed to pupils
25.10.26-30.10.26	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	05.01.27	Pupils return to school

A Greener Way to Share Our News

We're making a small but meaningful change to how we share our school newsletter. moving forward, newsletters will be emailed home rather than printed.

This helps us reduce paper waste and cut down on the ink, energy, resources and cost used in printing. With around 450 pupils, moving to digital newsletters saves hundreds of sheets of paper every month — a simple step that supports a healthier planet for our children. It also helps prevent the duplicate copies that families often receive when more than one child brings a printed newsletter home.

If you still prefer a printed copy, don't worry — **you can collect one from the school office.** We're very happy to provide one for anyone who needs it.

Please ensure your email address is up to date on Arbor, or come in to see the school office team for support.

Thank you for joining us in this **eco-friendly** change. Small steps really do make a big difference!

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please remember our website contains lots of information, news, letters, photos and much more...

<https://www.hallgreenprimary.co.uk/>



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