Headteacher Updates

Tuesday 17th January

It has been a pleasure to work with the children and staff during these first few weeks of my first term at Hallam Fields and to speak to many of you on the playground. Below are some key dates that you may wish to add to your diary and some reminders.

Parent Survey: We had a very positive response to the parent survey that was sent out. Thank you for taking the time to fill it in and share your views. I will keep you updated on any actions that are put into place as a result. Many parents showed an interest in attending the workshops and information events that were offered.

Maths Multiplication Information Event: This event will be held on **Wednesday 25th January at 9 to 9:30am and 6 to 6:30pm** in the school hall. The sessions will be the same and give the opportunity for you to attend at time most convenient for you. The session is designed to show you what the National Curriculum requirements are for teaching the Multiplication Tables at Primary School and will give you ideas and strategies to support your child at home.

Open classrooms — Multiplication Tables focus: We are looking forward to our next open classroom sessions. This time there will be a focus on Maths and the Multiplication Tables following on from the information event. We hope that the classroom activities and ideas will help you to support your child at home. We know that the previous reading sessions were a success and the children enjoyed having parents in the classroom with them.

These sessions will be held Wednesday 1st February 9-9:30am for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 and Thursday 2nd February 9-9:30am for Years 3,4 and 5.

PTA: I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents who attended the PTA meeting on Wednesday evening last week. We had a very positive outcome with parents volunteering for the various roles. If you are interested in becoming involved, please do contact us. We look forward to getting the PTA up and running as soon as possible.

Health and Safety: Dogs are not permitted on the school grounds. There are signs up to remind you of this. Some children and parents do have a fear of dogs. Thank you for working with us to keep our community safe.

School Uniform: Just a polite reminder that the school uniform policy states that 'Smart black school shoes without sporting logos' should be worn (trainers, UGG style boots and heeled shoes are not permitted). Trainers are permitted on PE days.

Attendance: Congratulations to Year 2 who achieved an excellent attendance of 99.3% in the first week of term! The class were awarded the attendance trophy in our Friday celebration assembly.



