

Newsletter 9th September 2020

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome to all our new children and families within F2 class, I know you will really enjoy your time here at Hogarth. We are a great school and I know as well as all the staff team, the parents and children in other year groups will make you feel welcome too.

MarvellousME App

We will endeavour to send out a newsletter every two weeks this term, unless anything changes. We also send communications to parents via the MarvellousMe App, if you haven't signed up yet please telephone the office and we can send you a joining code to get you up and running as quickly as possible to ensure you know what's happening at school. We need everyone to be on this app, please.

5 months off – Government Catch Up , Extra time in school !

The children have been fabulous in school and are enjoying being with their friends and teachers. They have started back with a real enthusiasm and are working hard. However, they have missed 5 months of school and we must ensure they catch up. The government has announced £650 million will be shared across state primary and secondary schools over the 2020/21 academic year. Whilst head teachers will decide how the money is spent, the government expects this to be spent on ensuring children catch up on the missed months of school through additional school time and/or small group tuition for whoever needs it. This one-off grant to support pupils in state education recognises that all young people have lost time in education as a result of the pandemic, regardless of their income or background.

Here at Hogarth, we have been assessing the children in their English and Mathematics. As a result as of next week we are extending the school day for ALL pupils in Y2 upwards to provide an extra 30mins per day, totalling an extra 2 ½ hours per week of learning. The start and finish times for those year groups can be found below.

September timings 2020

	R	Y1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Arrival	8.45am	8.40am	8.35am	8.30am	8.25am	8.20am	8.15am
Finish	3.30pm Please wait in car park	3.5pm Please wait on the path down the drive	3.50pm	3.45pm	3.40pm	3.35pm	3.30pm

This does mean therefore that we will need children to arrive at these times promptly in the mornings. We **cannot** accommodate siblings any earlier than their start time due to the health and safety arrangements in school already. I realise this may mean a wait for some parents; however, we do have some places available in breakfast club that starts at 7.45am. Please contact Mrs Robinson in the office regarding places.

Morning Bagels

ALL our children will receive a breakfast bagel to eat on arrival in the morning as of next Monday, this will give them a good start to the day. If your child is allergic to these, please let the office know ASAP.

DARE

Year six children will be starting their DARE programme, this is a superb 12 week programme to support their awareness of keeping safe and educates them about the dangers of drugs and alcohol abuse. It has been extremely well received by our Y6 pupils in the past and really helps with transition to secondary school too.

If you need any further information about the above, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at school
Ms Lee

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