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Hallbrook News

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Autumn Term

Welcome to the new School Year!

I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Head teacher at Hallbrook this term and have very much enjoyed the first few weeks getting to know the staff, pupils and governors, as well as meeting you at the gate in the morning, or at our recent Welcome Meetings. Over the next few weeks, I will be taking time to get to know as much as possible about the school, its strengths and successes, as well as the aspects which could be even better, before moving on to look at the future direction of the school.

I can already see that Hallbrook is filled with happy and enthusiastic children who are supported by a team of committed and hardworking staff! I believe passionately in the power of partnership and look forward to working with you as we embark on the next stage of the Hallbrook journey together.

Please do feel free to contact me via the school office should you wish to speak to me.

Mrs Tracy Withers

Hallbrook Plus

We are very proud of our before and after school provision for working families.

Although it is possible that we have spaces available for last minute bookings we would encourage all parents/carers to book through our website before the 25th of the month for the following month to secure your child's place.



The Rotary Shoebox Appeal

This year we will be taking part in the Rotary Shoebox Appeal. Boxes will be available from the School office from **Tuesday 24th September**.



HOUSE KEEPING

PE

Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit in school everyday as your child may take part in an ad hock PE session. Girls must have a hair band to tie up their hair and if your child has their ear/ears pieced and they are unable to remove their earrings we ask that you provide medical tape for health and safety reasons

Water Bottles

We would like all children to have a drinks bottle in school daily and would encourage you to fill them with just water.

School Dinners

School dinners have increased to £2.25 per day for children in KS2 and remain free for all children in EYFS and Years 1 and 2. All dinners must be paid for in advance by topping up your account on ParentPay. If you would like your child to have a hot dinner, simply top up their account and ensure your child informs the teacher when the dinner register is taken every morning.

Holidays/Leave of Absence

Can we remind all parents/carers that if you choose to take your child/ren out of school for any reason, you must inform the school by completing an Absence request form available at the office or you may download a copy from our website, as ANY absence needs to be recorded by school for safeguarding purposes.

Absence due to medical reasons

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please inform the school and keep them up to date on a **daily basis**. This should be done by telephone with the school office. The office staff will contact parents if no such contact is made.

This is to ensure each child's safety. In the event of absence for a dentist or doctor's appointment, parents must inform school by means of a letter or a phone call to the office, in advance, so that the absence can be coded as 'Medical'. In the absence of such information the absence will be recorded as 'Unauthorised' (O). **Please remember to inform the school office if a school dinner is still required.**

Diary Dates

Autumn Term

- 23.09.19 Vipers Cross County Race 2
- 27.09.19 Year 6 Victorian Day Beaumanor
- 28.09.19 Prestwold Hall Cross Country Race
- 01.10.19 EY Phonics Meeting 5pm
Year 6 SATs Meeting 6pm
- 08.10.19 Year 3 Roman Day
Vipers Cross Country Race 3
- 11.10.19 Sporting ammassaders Conference
Mid-Term Break 14th to 18th October
- 22.10.19 Parents' Evening, 3.30pm - 7pm
Bookfair
- 23.10.19 Parents' Evening, 3:30pm - 6pm
Bookfair
Vipers Cross Country Race 4
- 26.10.19 Prestwold Hall Cross Country Race 2
- 28.10.19 Individual School Photos
- 30.10.19 Sports Ambassadors Training Day
Halloween Disco
EY + KS1 4.15pm - 5.15pm
KS2 5.30pm—6.30pm
- 31.10.19 Deadline: Secondary School Applications
- 05.11.19 Prospective Parents Meeting 3.30pm
- w/c 11.11.19 Anti-Bullying Week
- 14.11.19 World Diabetes Day
- 15.11.19 Children In Need
- 20.11.19 Year 6 Trip to IWM Duxford
- 23.11.19 Prestwold Hall Cross Country Race 3
- 08.12.19 Broughton Astley Santa Fun Run
- 09.12.19 Flu Vaccinations
- 13.12.19 Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Dinner
- 16.12.19 Panto—Whole School
- 20.12.19 End of Term

Spring Term

- 06.01.19 INSET - School Closed to Pupils
- 07.01.19 School Re-opens
- 15.01.19 Deadline: EYFS Applications



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Introduced in 2011, the pupil premium is a sum of money given to schools each year by the Government to improve the attainment of disadvantaged children.

If your child qualifies for free school meals, it's important that you tell us – even if they take a packed lunch – as this enables the school to claim pupil premium which is used to boost your child's learning, including extra one-to-one or small group support. You could also benefit from financial support towards the cost of trips, swimming and school uniform.

To make a claim for Free School Meals, call 0116 3056588 and give them your National Insurance number, Date of Birth and Name or download and complete the [Free School Meals Application Form](#) from our website or contact the school office.

House Captains

Avon Lilly Pickering
Oliver Hurford (Vice House Captain)

Trent Ben Lunt
Oakley Scott (Vice House Captain)

Soar Archie Wright
Oliver Challinor (Vice House Captain)

Derwent Kitty Johnston
Ben Lea (Vice House Captain)



Freddie Taylor Bates
Harry Andrews
Isla Coulam
Oliver Lewis

IMPORTANT: Secondary School Admissions

If your child is due to transfer to secondary school in September 2019, **you must apply by 31st October 2019.**

To apply for your child's place, apply online at:
www.leics.gov.uk/admissions

or

An application form can be downloaded from the Leicestershire County Council website.

For more information, contact the Customer Service Centre on:
0116 305 6684

Any applications received after 31st October will be considered as late and will have lowest priority of all, unless there is a significant and genuine reason for lateness.



Get into Teaching

Interested in finding out more about Initial Teacher Training in local Primary and Secondary Schools
Attend one of the Achieve with TELA Information Events

Saturday 21 September

10–11:30am

Wednesday 23 October

6–7:30pm

At Thomas Estley Community College

We welcome applications of all ages and experience educated to degree level

To reserve a free place:

email: tela@thomasestley.org.uk

Confirming your name & if you are interested in primary or secondary Initial Teacher Training (please confirm subject area for secondary)

Call: Jo Robotham 01455 283263 ext. 3206

2019 Prospective New Starters

Wednesday 5th November

3.30–4.30pm

If your child is eligible to start primary school in September 2020 then you are invited to come along to our open sessions to see what Hallbrook Primary School has to offer.

Have a look around our fantastic EYFS environment; enjoy a tour of the school; meet some of our pupils, the Headteacher and our current EYFS staff.

To book your place please email admin@hallbrook.leics.sch.uk

We look forward to meeting you.

The closing date for applications for a school place is

15 January 2020.



During the October half term, Mrs Dye is travelling to India with the Asha Charity to work with children in Delhi. She would very much appreciate any donations of wool or craft materials that she can use during her visit.

Thank You!