



# Old Hutton C of E School

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## Start of Summer Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone to the new term – we have already made an excellent start in this our first, slightly shorter, week! As we now look forward to a lovely long Easter weekend (back to school next Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>), here are some news and reminders to share with everyone:

### Staff news

During the next 2 weeks, we are sadly saying goodbye and a huge thank you for all the excellent work they have done with us to **Miss Sam Dixon and Miss Tallia de Castro Rodriguez** – as they move on from our team of teaching assistants and After School Club leaders to full-time roles in other schools. We will next week welcome **Mrs Theresa McMeekin** as new teaching assistant and assistant leader of the After School Club. We will also welcome this term **Miss Leanne Millican**, final year student in teacher training from the University of Cumbria, on placement in Class 3 and we will welcome back **Miss Kate Mitchell**, first year teacher training student, on placement in Class 2.

### Job opportunity

We are still **urgently in need** of an additional **After School Club assistant leader on Wednesdays and Thursdays** – to begin after half term (from 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> June onwards). This role involves working alongside our other ASC leaders to support pupils in activities and providing a healthy snack, from 3:20-5:20pm. Ideally, you would need a teaching assistant/childcare or other relevant qualification or experience and the post will require a DBS check. Please get in touch with school for more details if you would be interested in joining our after-school staff team, or if you know anyone else who may be.

### Road safety news

Thanks to the efforts of our Chair of Governors, Claire Toone, and local MP, Tim Farron, repairs to the **speed/school warning lights outside school** are finally going ahead. We have been informed that they should be working again in the next few months. In the meantime and as always, please can we remind everyone to be safety-aware and show consideration to others, including our neighbours in the village, by **driving slowly and cautiously in the school vicinity and avoiding parking in front of all the private properties opposite the school. It is dangerous and illegal to park on the yellow zigzag lines in front of school.** Please try your best to park sensibly and always take extra care of the children and yourselves when getting in and out of vehicles, crossing the road and walking to and from school at our busy start and end of the day. Don't forget that you can help ease the parking issues by using car share buddies (ask in school or contact parent Sam Scarr at [willsam23@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:willsam23@hotmail.co.uk)) or dropping off your child earlier and collecting them later through using our Breakfast and/or After School or Extra-Curricular Clubs. Please can we also remind drivers, in the interest of reducing pollution and harm to health, to **avoid parking with engines left running in the car park and/or school vicinity.** Thank you.

### Easter events news

We have been enjoying a variety of Easter-themed activities in school this week, including **RE** work focussed on Christian beliefs and Bible stories of Holy Week, beautiful **Easter garden making in Class 2** and our annual **Easter egg competition**, with a fantastic range of egg-stremlly egg-citing and egg-stravagant designs making it so hard to choose the winners today! This work has made a wonderful display in our entrance hall this week (see our Facebook page later for pictures!). Egg prizes finally went to: Pre School Holly – Minion, Class 1 Ariana – Mermaids, Class 2 Susannah – Harry Potter, Class 3 Archie – “Egg” Sheran and Class 4 Frankie - Beano; a HUGE well done to everyone who took part and many thanks to our Y6 School Council members, Mrs Shiels, Miss Dixon and Miss Rodriguez for taking on the challenging task of being the judges. We hope that many of you are able to join us today for the special **Easter ‘Open**

**the Book' Service** to be held in the church at 2:45-3:15pm. Many thanks in advance to Tony Bontoft, our Y6 pupils and the Collective Worship Committee pupils for their amazing work organising and leading the service.

### Plans for the term ahead

Please see the **attached diary dates** for events planned so far – more updates and details will follow as/when needed during the term – there are many exciting things coming up to look forward to! There is a whole-school focus on the themes of **The Lakes/our local area** (including weather, rocks/fossils and plants) and **Creation**; and Class 4 will also be studying Invaders/Settlers (Saxons/Romans/Empire) and Forces. Our Christian Value this term, chosen by the Collective Worship Committee pupils, is **Perseverance**. If you have any ideas or resources to share or support our learning in these topics, please let us know.

With best wishes for a very happy Easter from,



**Andrea Walker**  
Head teacher

### Diary Dates (more details to follow for many of these events later in the term)

<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Special Easter Open The Book led by Y6 in Church 2.45pm-3.15pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR EASTER MONDAY HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Extra Curricular Clubs begin this week Cyclewise begins all week for YR5 pupils PTA AGM after school – All Welcome!
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	KS2 Yoga Classes - afternoon Ski competition KS2 3.00-7pm at Kendal Ski Slope Governors Finance meeting 9am
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Stone age/Iron age workshop for Class 4 – all day, in school Staff meeting – I-matter training with Cathy Betoin for all staff 3.30-5pm
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Class 4 Residential Information meeting for parents – 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Class 3 Residential - Hawkshead
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Y6 SATs week Staff meeting SEN/Safeguarding training for all staff 3.30-5pm
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	QKS Moving up information evening for Y5s & parents - 6pm
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Class 4 SATs party afternoon
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Staff meeting SEN/Safeguarding training for all staff 3.30-5pm
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Dance Arts Award for Y6 starts weekly Kendal Fire Service visiting Class 1 - morning PTA cake stall after school
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	HALF TERM
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SCHOOL BEGINS AGAIN FOR 2 <sup>ND</sup> HALF OF SUMMER TERM
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>NO FOOTBALL CLUB</b>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Clarinet demonstration during assembly for pupils
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	School photos – groups – 9am Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	QKS 'Getting ready evening' for Y6
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y1 Phonics test week Y4 Times Tables test trial week
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

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**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Class 4 Residential – Whithaugh Park

Scholastic Book Fair starts in school for one week

KKS Y6 parent/pupil evening 5.30 – 7.30pm

Moving up morning/day for whole school

QES Y6 Moving up morning

Governors meeting 6.30-8.30pm

YR5 KKS musical at the Brewery

Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!

Pupil Parliament

Class 1 & Class 2 Farm visit

Y3/Y4 Olympic day at KKS

QKS Y6 Induction Day and Evening

Multi Faith Day for whole school – Creation

Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!

Sports evening 5-7pm – ALL WELCOME!

Open The Book in Church 2.45pm - ALL WELCOME!

Reports out to parents

Open afternoon from 1.30pm & Music concert 1 2.30-3.15pm – All Welcome!

Music concert 2 2.30-3.15pm – All Welcome!

Sports evening (reserve date)

Leavers' Service in church 1.15-2.15 – ALL WELCOME!

Followed by Leavers' Tea in Village Hall 2.15pm

**TERM ENDS AT 2PM**

## **School Year dates 2019-20**

### **Autumn Term 2019**

Staff training day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

### **Spring Term 2020**

Staff training day Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

### **Summer Term 2020**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May