



Huntington Community Primary School Newsletter

July 20th, 2016

Diary Dates

September

2nd Caldy Park

Countryside Day

12th Mad Science assembly

14th School council: Houses of Parliament visit

23rd PTA Coffee morning

26th Healthy eating assembly

28th Y5/6 Stockport Air Raid shelter visit

Christleton High evening

29th PTA AGM 7pm

I would like to thank you all for the support you have given the school this year, through attendance at school events (productions, concerts, PTA functions), supporting your children's education at home, reinforcing the school's rules and generally being active members of our school community – it is much appreciated. Next year will be our last on the current school site, the end of an era stretching back to 1958. No doubt there will be challenges as well as excitement in the year ahead, and we will, of course, keep you informed as to the progress of the project.

School Dinner menus

Following discussions between the pupils and our cook Mrs Foster, three new menus have been selected for the autumn from those offered by the catering service (Edsential). Those selected were:

World Favourites (x2) and Edsential Favourites

New classes/teachers

Parents of **current Reception and Y1 children** should note that pupils will stay with their current classmates as they move into Year 1 and 2 respectively, joining their new teachers as follows:

Oak	become	Beech	in Y1	with Miss Bate and Mrs Jones (job-share)
Willow	become	Maple	in Y1	with Mrs Pelham
Beech	become	Elm	in Y2	with Mrs Crompton
Maple	become	Cedar	in Y2	with Ms Stephenson

Recent events online

Photos and/or video of the following recent events can be seen online, on the *Latest News* page:

- Junior Sports Day
- NSPCC assemblies
- Conway Centre residential – Y5/6

School Website developments: home activities available

The children were shown today how to access a range of online activities available via the school's subscription to the *Purple Mash* service. A click on the large logo on the school website's front page will take you to the *Purple Mash* log-in page.

We have used the same pupil log-in details as for the school website, with the sole difference being that the Username does not include the **hunt.** text at the front – the password is the same. Children from Y2 to Y5 have already had their passwords sent by text to parents earlier in the year – children in current Y1 and Reception will have their details sent out over the next few days, and likewise for current Nursery children who will be moving to our Reception classes in September.

As a starter activity, the Tools tab contains the amazing program *2Paint a Picture*, and work can be saved on the cloud using *Save, My Work*. Have fun – training sessions will follow in the autumn.



Office Reminders for the new term

- Please send in any money to school in a named envelope with the amount clearly written on the front.
- Please return dinner menus on or before each Friday, ready for the following week.
- Please report your child's absence to the office, even if you have spoken to the teacher, or send in a note following the absence so we can record the reason.

Many thanks

The Queen's Birthday Event

Two of our Year 6 pupils braved some very British weather to represent the school at the official CWAC event to celebrate Her Majesty's 90th birthday. Despite the rain the girls had an enjoyable time and were excellent ambassadors for the school – very well done to both of them.



Book Bloggers

Thanks to these keen readers for recommending books for the school library using the online blog (*Children, School Library*) – keep those recommendations coming, we love buying books for you!



Sport

Junior Sports Day

A fantastic afternoon of competitive sport began with the Parade of the Houses, with team captains holding aloft their standards as John Williams' heroic Olympic march played, before a high-energy warm up choreographed by upper KS2 girls. Track and field events occurred simultaneously over the next two hours, with the overall points lead gradually becoming a two horse race between Northgate and last year's winners Eastgate. As the end approached, Eastgate looked certain to repeat their victory but, in a thrilling climax, the final points tally revealed a draw, with both teams scoring 433 points. So, a joint victory celebration ensued. Well done to all our teams in putting on a great show of sporting pride and performance.



Congratulations to the following pupils who recently represented the school in these events:

Kwik Cricket

Ben White, Ben Malone, Thomas Hellam, Eleanor Pocock, Oliver Morris Green, Mahir Ahsan, Adam Gibson, Luke Gibson, Eva Curran, Soreya Roche

Rounders

Euan Allan, Hugh Cunliffe, Eva Curran, Georgia Davenport, Beatrix Hudson, Billy McMullon, Christian Nield, Charlotte Mercer, Oliver Morris Green

Swimming

Abigail Blunt, Ben Rees, Beth Hynds, Euan Allan – a great performance by the team, coming sixth overall in the Chester area event, with Euan winning a bronze for the 25m freestyle.



Caldy Nature Park: 25th Birthday Party & Countryside Day **Friday, 2nd September**

It is 25 years since The Friends of Caldly Nature Park was formed in 1991, and to celebrate, they are holding the Friends 25th Birthday Party as part of this year's Countryside Day on Friday 2nd Sept.

Great activities on offer will include:

- Treasure Hunt
- Silver Crown Party (for the Silver Anniversary of 25 years)
- Commemorative silver tree planting
- A display showing the events and activities that have taken place over the 25 years, and how the Nature Park has developed from its early days.
- Countryside Day activities & refreshments



There will be prizes for children who attend wearing the best silver crowns and have made something (silver coloured) which illustrates what the Nature Park means to them: it might be a bird seen when walking in the park, a favourite tree or an activity done in the park.

Put the date in your diaries!

Summer Reading Challenge

Local libraries have again organised a reading event over the summer: this year's theme is *The Big Friendly Read*, in connection with the centenary of Roald Dahl's birth (and the release of the Steven Spielberg film of *The BFG*). Further details are available online, via the *School Library* page (*Children* tab on school website) or at <http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>.



CWAC have published a guide to summer activities in the area for families (see left). A copy of the guide can be accessed on the school website, on the *Parents* page.

We wish you all a very enjoyable summer break