

Haseltine Newsletter 26th April 2024

Dear Families and Friends,

It may not feel like it, but we are now 2 weeks in to the Summer Term, there are just 12 weeks left of this school year. These 12 weeks are incredibly important ones and so it is crucial that your children are in school every day; so much of the learning that has taken place this year, really comes together now and your children will be moving ever closer to being where they should be at the end of the school year – time out of this will really disrupt all the progress that is being made. I have added dates to this newsletter that are especially important and that cannot be missed, because of statutory assessments.

Coffee 'Afternoon' in The Hub...

I will be hosting a session in The Hub on Tuesday 7th May at 2pm for parents & carers of children in Reception, Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6.

This is so that I can talk through the testing or assessments that will be carried out for your children this term:

- Reception children will be teacher assessed for their Good level of Development ongoing
- Year 1 children will be tested on their Phonics week of 10th June
- Year 4 children will be tested for their multiplication knowledge between Monday
 3rd June 14th June
- Year 6 children will be having their SATs tests week beginning 13th May

Please come along if your child is in one of those year groups to find out more, and hopefully, to put your mind at ease. (Please note: there is no longer any statutory testing of children in year 2.)

Stephen Lawrence Day:

What a fantastic day we had on Monday, despite the day marking a very sad & horrific incident. All the children looked fantastic in their outfits, and we had some really good discussions about what everyone wanted to do when they 'grew up'.

We spoke in assembly too about the need to work hard to achieve our ambitions – things won't just land our laps (unless we are very lucky indeed!).

The older children in the school did have some difficult conversations about racism too, and about the need for change still – despite the fact that this incident happened 31 years ago.



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Thank you too for your donations – you raised £96.58 for the Stephen Lawrence Foundation.

Important Dates for this term:

Thursday 2nd May: INSET day – no school for children as we have to close for polling (Mayor of London elections)

Monday 6th May: No school as it is a Bank Holiday

Week beginning 13th May: SATs week for year 6 children – it is vital that all year 6 children are in school that week

Friday 12th July: Summer Fair

Friday 24th May: we break up for half term Monday 3rd June: children come back to school

Thursday 25th July: we break up for the Summer holidays (yes, we break up later this year!)

Haseltine's PTA will be adding information to our newsletter from now on too. Here is this week's information from them...

We're excited to let the Haseltine family know that we have now officially formed the Haseltine Parents, Teachers and Friends Association to be known as Haseltine PTFA!

The PTFA is a community, as well as a registered charity. Being a charity allows for us to host fundraisers and create events for the children and the school. On the 28th March 2024, we enjoyed the lovely Easter and Spring parade and the children did such an amazing job. Their hats were incredible and they all looked so amazing despite the terrible weather!

After the parade, we undertook our first PTFA bake sale and it was so successful we ran out of cakes and biscuits very quickly. We raised an incredible £178.85. Thank you so much to everyone who baked, volunteered to serve, or bought our lovely cakes. As it went so well, we're doing it all again next month!

We also held our first Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 28th March 2024 where we adopted our new Constitution and elected the following Committee Members:

Co-Chairs: Gina Evans and Tori Corlis

Treasurer: Patricia Pais Secretary: Paulina Slupek

And we want to thank everyone that made it to the AGM, who are all Haseltine PTFA members, and to the elected Committee Members for volunteering.



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Please remember that every parent, carer, and school staff member is part of the Haseltine PTFA and it is there for everyone. We want it to be as inclusive as possible! If you want to be an active member, please email your interest to haseltineptfa@gmail.com.

This week the Haseltine PTFA met in the evening of 22nd April 2024 to discuss fundraising options. We have some amazing upcoming events, so please save the date for these!

24 May 2024 – Bake sale 28 June 2024 – School Disco 12 July 2024 – Summer Fair 1 September 2024 – The Big Half (marathon); 10 people have signed up for this ☺

There will be other events that will be popping up and we're so excited to be putting these on for everyone. We hope you can make them!

We have a PTFA Facebook page that you can join to keep up to date with our events and fundraisers throughout the year. It is called: **Friends of Haseltine (PTFA)**

There is also a link shared below

https://www.facebook.com/share/Wg9ZDutmLqZR5vK8/?mibextid=K35XfP

We are currently in the process of creating our own PTFA Instagram page which we will share in the next newsletter.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these events or get involved with the Haseltine PTFA, please reach out to us at haseltineptfa@gmail.com or come into The Hub on a Friday between 9-10:30am.

Thank you!