**Holiday Dates**

**Half Term** - Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} - Friday 26\textsuperscript{th} October

**Last Day of Term** - Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} December. School closing at 1.30pm

**First Day Back after Christmas** - Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} January 2019

**Dates for your Diary**

- 5th, 6th & 9th October - Reception Road Safety Walks
- 11\textsuperscript{th} October 2018 - Parents Evening
- 16\textsuperscript{th} October 2018 - Parents Evening
- 17th October - Nursery Parent Workshop 8.30am - 9.00am
- 17th October - Year 2 Parent Workshop 2.30pm - 3.00pm
- 18th October - Year 1 Parent Workshop 2.30pm - 3.00pm
- 18th October - Individual pupil photos
- 19th October - Reception Parent Workshop 8.45am - 9.15am
- 1st November - Open Day prospective parents
- 2\textsuperscript{nd} November 2018 - PA Fireworks
- 9\textsuperscript{th} November 2018 - Remembrance Assembly
- 16\textsuperscript{th} November 2018 - Children in Need
- 24\textsuperscript{th} November 2018 - Christmas Fayre
- 5\textsuperscript{th} December 2018 - Bedtime Stories
- 11\textsuperscript{th}/12\textsuperscript{th} December 2018 - Nursery / Reception Christmas Productions
- 13\textsuperscript{th}/14\textsuperscript{th} December 2018 - Year 1/Year 2 Christmas Productions
- Week Ending 14th December 2018 - After School Clubs End

**Attendance**

The best class for attendance, week ending the 5th October 2018 was Starfish Class with 100% attendance. Well done to them!

Congratulations to:

- **Starfish**: 100%
- **Dolphins**: 99.2%
- **Turtles**: 98.8%
- **Pandas**: 98.7%
- **Meerkats**: 98.3%

Unfortunately 1 class did not reach our 96% target:

- **Koalas**: 93.3%

Overall attendance was 97.9% which is above our 96% target.

**This Week’s Attendance Heroes**

- **Starfish**: Erin K
- **Dolphins**: Olivia C
- **Meerkats**: Evie-Rae R
- **Koalas**: Jack T
- **Pandas**: Olly S

**Achievers of the Week**

- **Bumblebees**: Joseph P
- **Butterflies**: Freddie J
- **Grasshoppers**: Theo R
- **Starfish**: Edward B
- **Dolphins**: Ava G
- **Turtles**: Isla B
- **Meerkats**: Phoebe R
- **Koalas**: Amelia W
- **Pandas**: Jasmine C

**Menu Week - 3**

**Monday**: Meatballs or Quornballs in Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti & Garlic Bread.

**Tuesday**: Picnic Day - Tuna, Cheese or Ham in a Brioche Roll with Salad/vegetable Sticks, fruit & carton of juice.

**Wednesday**: Roast Turkey or Quorn Fillet with Yorkshire pudding, Roast potatoes, carrots, green beans & gravy.

**Thursday**: All Day Breakfast - Sausage, Bacon, Hash Brown & Baked Beans. Vegetarian option available.

**Friday**: Bubble Coating Fish or Fluffy Omelette with Chips & Peas.
**This Week's News:**

**Absences** - To make the process of reporting pupil absences easier we have created a new email address. If you need to report your child as absent, please send an email to absences@hadleigh-inf.essex.sch.uk. Please include your child’s name, class and a brief description of the reason for the absence. The absence answerphone will still be available for you to leave a message if you would prefer. The school’s attendance policy is available on the school website or you can request a paper copy from the school office.

Our Eco Warriors featured in a recent edition of the Echo newspaper, the article showed our Year 1 and 2 children harvesting the potatoes that they had grown. These potatoes, along with some tomatoes, were then used by the school catering team for a Pasta Salad, which was served with Monday’s lunch. The staff and children have worked hard maintaining the Eco Kitchen Garden and it was fantastic for the children to be able to eat and enjoy their school grown produce.

Harvest Assembly Wednesday 17th October - This year we will be supporting the charity Changing Pathways. Changing Pathways (formerly known as Basildon Women’s Aid) is a domestic abuse charity working across the areas of Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Rochford and Thurrock. The Refuge Service provides safe accommodation to adult women and their children who are experiencing domestic abuse and are unable to stay in their own homes or access alternative safe accommodation. If you would like to make a donation of food please bring in any non-perishable items, tinned or packet foods only please. You can make donations from Monday 15th October through to Wednesday 17th October.

Individual pupil photos - A photographer will be in school on Thursday 18th October. The proofs and details of how to order will be sent home as soon as the school receives them.

Parent Workshops - I am pleased to announce further information about each of the school’s Parent Workshops. Each year group will hold a Parent Workshop this half term to allow parents to work alongside their child in a specific curriculum area or skill. Below are the dates, venues and focus for each workshop.

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Could I ask any parents, who use the school’s car park in the morning for dropping children off at Breakfast Club, to ensure they drive slowly when on the premises and park appropriately. There have been several near misses in recent weeks. To ensure the safety of the school community, parents will be asked to park in the street if there is no improvement. This is something I do not want to do but safety must be the priority over convenience. Thank you in advance for your support on this matter.

In the past few weeks, we have seen a rise in the number of children being placed on the school’s After School Club register (which runs from 3:10pm - 6:00pm). This has been fantastic as we now provide over 70 families, throughout the week, with additional child care. I would like to ask parents that if they no longer require the After School Club either on a daily basis or on a long term basis they inform the school as soon as possible. This will ensure that the After School Club staff are fully aware of the children who they are expecting to pick up and will avoid any unnecessary confusion. You can either contact Mrs Clarke directly on the number 07393584126 or any member of the school’s admin team on 01702557979 to inform the school of any changes.