

HAWTHORN NEWS SEPTEMBER 2018



Welcome Back!

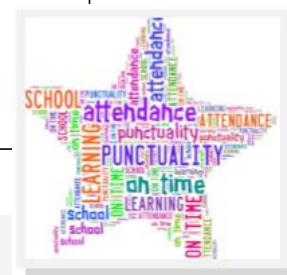
Welcome back after the summer break. It has been lovely to see all of the children, parents and staff back in school this week. I would like to introduce our new staff.

Miss Dix is working in Year 1, **Miss Johnson** is working in Year 3 and some of you may already know **Mrs Hulbert** who is working in Year 5. We are also lucky to have a new Speech and Language Therapist, **Imogen Wright**, and a new counsellor, **Victoria Neil**, available to support children in school.



All of the children look so smart in their **school uniform**. Can I remind parents that the children may only wear stud earrings? No other jewellery, except a watch, should be worn. Most children are already wearing black school shoes/trainers. If your child is not doing this, please buy **black** the next time you are replacing their shoes. Head scarfs, if worn, should be plain black or navy, to match our school uniform colours.

I look forward to working with you all this year. Look out for details of our next Friends of Hawthorn meeting.



Attendance

Whole school attendance for the academic year 2017-18 was 94.9%. This is below our school target of 97%. If we all work, together I am sure we will be able to do better this year. Last year, Year 2 had the best attendance of the year with 96.6% closely followed by Year 6 with 96.4%.

11 pupils achieved 100% attendance for the full academic year, 2017-18. This is amazing achievement. Well Done!

In the last half term attendance was only 93.3%. 254 days of learning were lost in the summer term due to holidays taken in term time. This is an increase from 193 days of learning the previous year. Remember that we cannot authorise holidays during term time. Please book any holidays during the official school holidays. A school calendar is available on the school website or from the school office.

Parent Welcome Meetings

Class teachers would like to meet with parents and carers to share some start of year information. These meetings will be held in the classrooms at 9:00am.

Monday 10.9.18: Year 5, Mrs Hulbert

Tuesday 11.9.18: Year 2, Mrs Kennedy

Wednesday 12.9.18: Year 6, Mrs Lawrence

Thursday 13.9.18: Year 1, Miss Dix

Friday 12.9.18: Class 7, Miss Beecroft and Mrs Leadbitter at **9.30am**

Monday 17.9.18: Year 3, Miss Johnson

Tuesday 18.9.18: Year 4, Miss Jackson

