



HARRINGTON HILL NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2018

Message from Headteacher

I am delighted to welcome you back to the new school year at Harrington Hill. I hope you have had a restful summer and are ready for the excitement of the new academic year. I would like to extend a particular welcome to all our new Nursery and Reception class children and parents/carers and other new starters throughout the school.



Welcome also to all our new staff; Mrs Parvin, Miss Begum, Miss Smith and Miss Tugce. The children all seem happy and settled in their new classes with their new teachers and they have quickly learnt new routines. At Harrington Hill, we are always learning and the happy and busy environment this week confirmed that. They all seem to be enjoying working in new classrooms and I particularly enjoyed watching the excitement on their faces as they played with the new playground equipment.

I hope you have enjoyed the Year Group meeting for parents and carers which have been taking place over the last week. This is an opportunity to meet the teachers in each year group and to find out about what your children will be learning this year, as well as visit the classroom and find out about some of the class and school routines and expectations for the academic year. Reception and Nursery class meetings are still to be carried out next week.

This coming academic year already we have so many opportunities for the school community to come together. The PTFA have many events planned for this term including: Fright Night, Macmillan Coffee Morning and the very popular cake sale starting next week. The PTFA Annual General Meeting is being held next Wednesday at 9am. Please come and support them.

We regularly have parents telling us they don't know about things going on at Harrington Hill, so please remember to look for information on the school website, via text or email and our soon to arrive new notice board. If you have not let the office know your email address or mobile number you have recently changed your mobile phone number, please let them know asap to enable you to receive up-to-date information from the school.

Finally, please see below the Harrington Hill Leadership Team for 2018-2019. I am sure they have already welcomed you into the school and we are all available to answer any questions you have about our school.

Best Wishes, Kirstie Barrett—Head Teacher

Dates for your Diary

Monday 17th September

3.30-4.00pm Reception Class meeting

Tuesday 18th September

Swimming Year 5

Wednesday 19th September

Whole school attendance show

9.00am PTFA Annual General Meeting in Community Room

2.00pm Free Stay & Play session in the Nursery

3.30pm PTFA 'Back to School' cake sale

3.30pm Year 6 Secondary School transfer meeting

Thursday 20th September

9.15am Nursery Class meeting

Friday 21st September

9.00am Coffee Morning in the Community Room

Attendance

Attendance Matters!

Whole school attendance
94.6%

*Please support us to achieve
the school's target of 97%*

Class	Attendance%
Saffron	91.0
Citron	87.0
Apple	96.3
Lime	92.4
Olive	91.3
Sky	97.9
Cobalt	92.8
Copper	92.4
Amber	94.8
Emerald	99.1
Jade	97.3
Aqua	97.5
Sapphire	98.4

Attendance Prizes Winners

Liliana (Apple class)

Taslina (Copper class)

Chahinez (Sapphire class)

Top Attendance

Emerald class had the highest attendance this week and will enjoy extra 'Golden Time'!

Autumn Term Dates 2018

Start – Wednesday 5 September

End – Friday 19 October

Half Term - Monday 22 October -
Friday 26 October

Start – Monday 29 October

End - Friday 21 December

Spring Term Dates 2019

Inset – Monday 7 January –

School closed to pupils

Start - Tuesday 8 January

End – Friday 15 February

Half Term - Monday 18 February –

Friday 22 February

Start – Monday 25th February

End – Friday 5 April

Summer Term Dates 2019

Start - Tuesday 23 April

End – Friday 24 May

Half Term - Monday 27 May to

Friday 31 May

Inset – Monday 3 June – School

closed to pupils

Start Tuesday 4 June

End - Friday 19 July

Inset Monday 22 July and Tuesday

23rd July – School closed

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Harrington Hill Primary School Senior Leadership Team 2018-2019

Kirstie Barrett—Head Teacher



I joined Harrington Hill as the Deputy Head Teacher in September 2016, leading the inclusion team. Before that, I was an Assistant Head Teacher at a primary school in Tower Hamlets which was very similar to Harrington Hill in many ways. I have 20 years teaching experience and the majority of those have been spent in inner London schools. As a class teacher, I have taught all year groups from Reception to Year 6. I am a mum to 3 children: my eldest is in Year 3, my 2nd child is in Year 1 and the youngest has just started Nursery so I also experience school life as a parent. Following the resignations of both Mrs. Williams and Ms., I was acting Head of School last academic year and then went on to be appointed as the permanent Head Teacher by Hackney Learning Trust having led the school through a successful Ofsted inspection in February 2018. I am passionate about inclusion and a creative curriculum with plenty of enrichment opportunities for all.

Rebecca Kennedy—Assistant Headteacher



This is my third year at Harrington Hill and I am thrilled to be leading on Inclusion in my new role as Assistant Head Teacher. I am passionate about inclusive care and ensuring that the wellbeing of all children is at the forefront of our school practice. As SENCO, I look forward to leading on the strategic development of SEND provision so that every child has the opportunity to achieve their potential.

Fiona Buglass—Assistant Headteacher



This is my fourth year at Harrington Hill and it is an absolute privilege to be starting this year as Assistant Headteacher, with the exciting responsibility of enriching the curriculum for all of our pupils. I am passionate about providing rich learning experiences for our children, encouraging them to develop a huge range of skills and to become life-long learners. I look forward to working even more closely with everyone in our school community, whilst being part of another year of accelerated progress, independence and enjoyment of learning.

Peter Brodie—Pastoral Lead



Hello, I am the Pastoral lead at Harrington Hill and this is my fourth year working at the school. I am here to assist children, parents and carers on their journey through primary school and all the challenges that come with this journey; whether they are emotional, physical or any difficulty that impacts on your child's learning and becomes a barrier to them achieving their very best. I have knowledge and experience of supporting families with a wide range of issues such as: parenting, housing, finances, relationship breakdowns, routines, attendance/lateness and social/emotional issues. If you have some kind of difficulty however trivial or difficult it might seem and this may impact on your child's education come and see me as communication is key. Please contact the school office.

Minh Tran—Business Manager



I am the School Business Manager and have worked at Harrington Hill for 9 Years. My responsibilities include: Budget and Finance, Human Resources, Health and Safety, ICT, Premises and Catering.