



Huntingdon Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

We have many exciting visits planned over the coming summer term, some joining again with other L.E.A.D. schools for bushcraft events and athletics. We will also be continuing with our fundraising activities to help raise money towards these visits.

Over the Easter holiday you will have noticed that we had new gates fitted for vehicle access and it is also planned to change the pedestrian gate. The front staircase has been improved with a glass balustrade, this is allowing more light into the stairwells and it is easier to supervise children on the stairs. The staircase at the rear of the building will be done during the summer half term holiday. At the side of the school near the kitchens, small rooms and store cupboards are being converted to make one larger room for the teaching of food technology. We will also be able to hold parent classes in this room.

Fundraising

Last term, we raised £149.62 for Sports Relief. We also did really well with our fundraising for schools trips, and raised a fantastic £663.10! This money was raised from Easter fundraising, raffles, cake sales and the cinema night.

Thank you to everyone who has supported these events and to our PTA, who have really supported the school well with these fundraising activities.

Scholastic Book fair raised £570.00 for the school to choose new books to be used in classes.

Newsletters

This week class newsletters will be going out to every class, these will update you with what is happening in your child's class.

New members of staff

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Blackwood-Brown, who is our new school cook. Mrs Blackwood-Brown has plenty of previous experience of working in school kitchens and is keen to continue to develop our service. Mrs Rhodes has joined us to teach in Year 5. Mrs Rhodes is a permanent appointment and has replaced Ms Fearnley, who was covering whilst this appointment was being made. Mrs Rhodes joins us having much experience of working in Key Stage Two.

Attendance

Attendance for this academic year so far is 95.9%. This means that Huntingdon is still slightly below the national expected level of 96%. I'm sure, with your support, we can continue to improve attendance.

Please contact the office if your child is too unwell to be at school. If you need support with any issues around your child's attendance, please contact Melanie Jago on 07824 157622. Remember holidays within the school term are not permissible and may result in a penalty fine. So that your child can make the most of their education they need to be in school punctually every day.

Annual School Calendar

Please find attached the annual calendar for the next academic year. This will help you organise holidays outside term times.

Dates for your diaries

KS2 SATS Week
KS1 Maths Mornings for parents/carers
KS2
EYFS

Week beginning 9th May
Tuesday 24th May
Wednesday 25th May
Thursday 26th May

INSET day

Phonics Assessment Week – Year 1
Summer Fayre
Foundation Sports Day
Sports Day
Summer Picnic
End of Year Concert and
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Year 6 Leavers' Party
End of term
Return to school

Monday 6th June

Week beginning 13th June
Wednesday 6th July
Thursday 7th July
Friday 15th July
Friday 22nd July
Thursday 21st July

Monday 25th July
Tuesday 26th July 2016
Thursday 1st September 2016

Thank you all for your continued support and I look forward to working with you over the coming term.

Teresa Shrestha
Headteacher