



4th June 2019

Dear Parents

Read on to find out more about

Governor Update
Headteacher Appointment
Strategic Questionnaire
Headteacher Update
Baby Skilton
Arts Fortnight
Parent and Headteacher Coffee
PTA Summer Fair
Sports Day
Records of Achievement
September 2019

June Dates 2019

3rd Arts Fortnight started today
4th New Intake Induction for
September 2019 at 7pm
5th New Intake Induction for
September 2019 at 9.30am
14th Parent/Headteacher Coffee
20th Sports Day
26th Provisional day for Sports Day (in
case of bad weather)
28th INSET – school closed for children

Governor Update

Headteacher Appointment

We are thrilled to be able to share the news that we have appointed a new Headteacher for The Horsell Village School. Mrs Jane Reeve will take up the post of Headteacher in September 2019. She will be visiting the school over the coming weeks and we know you will all make her feel very welcome in September.

We were very pleased to have a strong field of candidates apply for the Headteacher position and are delighted to appoint Mrs Reeve who brings a wealth of skills and experience and will be a real asset to our school, continuing it on its journey and making the learning experience for the children even better. Mrs Reeve is currently a Deputy Headteacher at one of our SWAN schools and so already knows our school a little bit from our work within the SWAN Trust.

As you already know, Mrs Elaine Cooper will be stepping up as CEO of the SWAN Multi Academy Trust from September and will be working across all the schools in the Trust as well as the wider community.

Strategic Development at HVS

Every three or four years we ask for all stakeholders to give their input into the schools' strategic direction. Over the years we have done this in many different ways, and this year we are using SurveyMonkey. This survey is different from our annual parent survey which you may have responded to in March.

Our strategic planning process includes a review each year, then every three or four years we do this in even more depth and consider where we want to be in three years' time, what we want to

achieve and what do we want to focus on. Please take a few minutes to answer four questions using the following link: -

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7MP7KXF>

In your answers please consider what you know about the school, what you hear and see in the media and what you believe should be held in high regard for education today.

Headteacher Update

Baby Ivy Skilton

Just after we last wrote to you in May we had the exciting news that Mrs Skilton and her husband welcomed their new baby Ivy Skilton into the world, she was born on the 2nd May. Congratulations goes to them both!

Arts Fortnight

Arts Fortnight started yesterday and today we have a visit from a storyteller, who will tell interactive stories with an ocean theme, and hopefully the children will come home and do some storytelling for you too tonight.

Parent and Headteacher Coffee Afternoon

On Friday 14th June at 2.30pm we will be having a coffee meeting. During this time, we will talk about the strategic development of the school. It will be an opportunity to discuss why we do things the way we do and consider what we want to change. Please let the office know if you are coming to enable us to host the event; younger siblings are very welcome.

PTA Summer Fair

It is the PTA Summer Circus on Saturday 22nd June. Don't forget to order your tickets for the circus - <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/horsell>. Friday 7th June is our Mufti donation day - don't forget to wear blue or green. Please bring the donations to school in the morning. Years 1 & 2 please bring something for the Edible Tombola. Reception children should wear mufti on Friday 7th, but please don't bring your cake donations until the Friday before the Fair (21st June).

Sports Day

Our Sports Day is on 20th June. A letter with further details will come home next week. Parents are welcome to join us; Reception usually starts about 9.15am, Year 1 at 10.30am and Year 2 at 1.30pm.

Records of Achievement

The annual Record of Achievement will come home on Tuesday 9th July. We hope you enjoy reading about your child's achievements and future steps. Parent Conferences this term will be on Thursday 11th July between 3.20pm – 6.30pm, as published last July. Our online parent sign up facility will be going live after 9th July, we ask that you only sign up if there is an area in their RoA or anything further, you wish to discuss.

September 2019

We will be having our 'Meet your new Teacher' morning on Monday 8th July. This is when the children in Reception and Year 1 will meet their new teacher and visit their new classroom. On that day, we will let you know the class your child will be in and the name of their new teacher.

Warmest wishes,

Elaine Cooper