### Queen's Hill Primary School

# Newsletter

January 2017

### Welcome back to a brand new year.

On behalf of all the staff thank you for your kind cards and Christmas gifts. I hope that you had a good break over the Christmas period.

You may have noticed that the builders have been busy over the holidays, meaning that some classrooms have moved. Year 6 have now moved out of the new hall and into their classrooms at the end of the Key Stage 2 corridor. Miss Watson's Reception class have moved into the new extension along with Miss Mason and Miss Taylor's Year 3 classes. A huge thank you to Morgan Sindall for their hard work; we are so lucky to have such a fantastic new addition to our school.

The children have come back to school with a positive attitude to learning and have settled quickly into the school routine. This term is historically the time when we get the dreaded sickness bugs doing the rounds and when the weather can cause issues - especially if we have snow at Queen's Hills. For those parents new to the school, please can we ask that if your child does have sickness and/or diarrhoea you keep them off for 48 hours to ensure it doesn't get passed on to other children and staff.

In the event of severe weather, it is our aim to always keep the school open. Should we get any snow this year that causes disruption we will remain open as we have a number of staff who live on the estate and we also have our volunteer "snow patrol" who help to hold the fort until all of the staff can get in. On these occasions we may have the children in a different area, e.g in the hall or library until normal classes can resume. On the rare occasion when the weather is such that staff are unable to make it in to school, we may only be able to offer a child-care only service to allow working parents to get to work. We will communicate any partial closures via Radio Norfolk, the School APP and the school website. If you live on the estate and are able to volunteer to be a part of the "snow patrol" please inform the office staff. Our caretaking staff will endeavour to grit main routes into school but in the event that this is not possible the Stockwell Road gates will not be used and you should access the school via the Fieldfare Way Entrance. We <u>DO NOT</u> grit the whole playground and outside areas.

Our topic this term is "Poetry in Motion". You will shortly be receiving the curriculum plan for the term. If you have any area of expertise to help or if you have any questions please see your child's class teacher.

Wishing you all a very happy, peaceful and successful 201.

Mr Roughsedge





Just a quick reminder! To ensure our children are able to have a prompt start to their learning, could all parents please leave when the bell rings at 8.40am Thank you

# Would you like to save over £350 per year?

Dependent upon your family circumstances, your son/daughter may be entitled to a free school meal every day or when they choose to participate in our Special Meals (Christmas lunch, Family lunch week etc).

If this is the case, the local authority has funds allocated for this purpose.

Please contact the School Office this week and ask for Form FSM1.



Please also let us know if you or your partner are a member of the Armed Forces



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### DIARY DATES

January 2017	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Year 6 Show & Share Assembly
Wednesday 18th	9am Year 1 Maths Café
	3pm Year 3 & 4 Reading Café
Thursday 19th	9am Year 2 Maths Café
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Year 5 Show & Share Assembly
Thursday 26th	12 noon – 1pm Multilingual Story Telling –
	All parents welcome
	3pm Year 5 Maths Cafe
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Les Lapins' Show & Share Assembly
February 2017	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am Reception Reading Café
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Les Taupes' Show & Share Assembly
	Last Day of Half-term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils return to School
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reception Classes
	Hearing & Vision Screening
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Les Herissons' Show & Share Assembly

#### 2016/17

<b>Spring Term 2017</b> Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 31st March Half Term holiday: Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
Summer Term 2017 Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 21st July Half Term holiday: Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2nd June (May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May)



#### Konrad, Josh K & Amber F

# Seb's Friends

## the Week

during December for showing

a positive attitude to their learning

# Congratulations!