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Newsletter No. 08

4th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start the newsletter this week with reminders of what is happening over the coming weeks leading up to Christmas.

Firstly we have Pirate Phonics for Year 1 families which starts on Tuesday 8th November. We have had such positive feedback from parents/carers that have attended these sessions, they say how they have helped them understand how their child learns in school and have valued the quality time spent with their child trying out all the things they have learned.

In Foundation Stage, the children are already showing such a great interest in books and are doing really well learning how to recognise letter sounds and blend them to read words. So that you know what we are doing in school, and to support you to help your child, Mrs Garratt will be running a Phonics & Reading Workshop. We will be hosting these on Thursday 10th November at 9:15am and Monday 14th November at 2:30pm in school. Please see below for further information.

Other dates to make a note of are:

- 2H Christmas Nativity – Monday 12th December 2022 at 2:30pm
- 2S Christmas Nativity – Wednesday 14th December 2022 at 2:30pm
- 2A Christmas Nativity – Thursday 15th December 2022 at 2:30pm
- Foundation Stage Christmas Nativity – Tuesday 13th and Friday 16th December 2022 at 2:30pm

For further information about what is happening in the academy over November and December, please see the posters at the end of this newsletter.

On-line safety is a priority for us in the academy and the children are taught about keeping safe throughout our curriculum. Although the internet can provide great sources of information and opportunities, it does unfortunately feature threats and challenges. Being aware of and practicing online safety is the only way to mitigate these risks. They will always be present, but by teaching our children how to manage harmful situations and content will ensure they are best-placed to benefit from their time online, free from harm. We would like to keep you regularly updated with support for this so please see the poster below regarding the football simulator FIFA 2023.

As I write this update we are preparing for our very own Hawes Side Switch On after school today. We are very excited that we can finally host this event and celebrate such a unique opportunity with our community. We are so proud to own our very own illumination (donkey), a piece of Blackpool history, to use as a learning resource centred around our wonderful Blackpool heritage. We are looking forward to seeing you there and celebrating together!

Mrs Boothroyd and the Hawes Side Team

Relationships

Respect

Resilience

Reflection

Responsibility



Pirate Phonics - Family Learning Opportunity for Year 1 families (Please see flyer at the end of this Newsletter for further details)

We have been offered a wonderful opportunity to take part in family learning workshops which will encourage children in their learning and also help parents in their approach to supporting their child's learning and development. You will learn about what and how your child learns in Year 1.

Each session will last for two hours, a parent workshop for one hour, followed by a joint session where the parent works with their child on literacy activities with a pirate theme.

The course will run for four weeks starting **Tuesday 8th November 1:00pm-3:00pm**

Please follow this link: <https://bit.ly/PiratePhonics22> to complete the form to book your place.

Unfortunately, due to health and safety, we are unable to accommodate younger siblings in the sessions.

Foundation Stage Phonics & Reading Workshop

At Hawes Side we hope that the children will develop a love of reading and grow to be confident and enthusiastic readers. We will be holding a workshop for Foundation Stage parents and carers to find out how we teach phonics and reading and how you can help your child with reading at home. Parents and carers are welcome to attend on either Thursday 10th November at 9:15am or Monday 14th November at 2:30pm in school. Please contact the school office to register for one of these workshops. Thank you.

A fantastic start with Mellor's Catering

If you have not already taken a look at our new catering offer please do go to our website page dedicated to school meals ([Our Meal Service | Hawes Side Academy \(hawes-side.co.uk\)](http://hawes-side.co.uk))

Pupil First Name	Class	Value Recognised	Values Certificate Comment
Isabelle	FS	Responsibility	For always making the right choices.
Logan	1H	Responsibility	For discovering some litter on our autumnal observational walk and making the responsible choice of picking it up and putting it in the bin. It was great to see you doing this without any encouragement. Well done Logan!
Class 1S	1S	Respect	For exemplary behaviour in the dinner hall. It was commented by several members of staff at how the children were incredibly polite and respectful to others and each other.
Renesmee	1A	Responsibility	For being a good role model for others and encouraging her peers to make the right choices.
Dylan	2H	Responsibility	For starting to take responsibility for his own work. He is working more independently and trying his best.
Alice	2S	Resilience	For staying focussed and trying hard to complete all her work in a given time. Keep it up Alice!
Margot	2A	Resilience	For being very resilient during computing lessons and learning to enjoy coding.
Reuben	3H	Relationships	For being a positive role model to others and maintaining good friendships.
Alfie	3S	Responsibility	For always doing the right thing and acting with kindness and respect.
Sofia	3A	Responsibility	For taking responsibility for her own learning. This week, Sofia has taken on extra challenges in addition and subtraction in maths and has pushed herself to answer more reasoning and problem solving questions. She has also helped others around her. Well done Sofia!

Alana	4H	Responsibility	For being focused on improving her letter formation and seeing results from her efforts.
Evie	4S	Responsibility	For taking responsibility for her own learning and for always being eager to try her best in all that she does. This is especially in maths, when she may find the calculations tricky, she not only tries, but she also helps her fellow peers.
Tommy	4A	Resilience	For settling down to his work.
Oliver	5H	Resilience	Olly has been working hard this week to build his resilience when looking at square and cube numbers within maths.
Casey	5S	Reflection	For being reflective in her written work so that she can improve her spelling and presentation.
Lexi	5A	Responsibility	For always taking responsibility for her learning and trying her best in all she does.
Daniel	6H	Reflection	For recalling previously learnt knowledge to shape his new learning and confidently standing up to share his knowledge with his peers.
Riley	6S	Relationships	For being there for other members of the class and supporting them when they need help.
Ellie	6A	Responsibility	For being an independent and responsible learner in the classroom - Well done Ellie!

Diary Dates

(Correct at time of printing)

**Pirate Phonics - Family Learning Opportunity for Year 1 families – Week 1
Tuesday 8th November 2022 – 1:00pm-3:00pm**

**Pirate Phonics - Family Learning Opportunity for Year 1 families – Week 2
Tuesday 15th November 2022 – 1:00pm-3:00pm**

**Tempest Photographer – Monday 21st November 2022
(More info to follow)**

**Pirate Phonics - Family Learning Opportunity for Year 1 families – Week 3
Tuesday 22nd November 2022 – 1:00pm-3:00pm**

**Pirate Phonics - Family Learning Opportunity for Year 1 families – Week 4
Tuesday 29th November 2022 – 1:00pm-3:00pm**

**Year 2 Christmas Nativity – Monday 12th December @ 2:30pm
(More info to follow)**

**Foundation Stage Christmas Nativity – Tuesday 13th December @ 2:30pm
(More info to follow)**

**Year 2 Christmas Nativity – Wednesday 14th December @ 2:30pm
(More info to follow)**

**Year 2 Christmas Nativity – Thursday 15th December @ 2:30pm
(More info to follow)**

**Foundation Stage Christmas Nativity – Friday 16th December @ 2:30pm
(More info to follow)**

Non-uniform Day – Tuesday 20th December 2022

**Christmas 2022 – School closes on Tuesday 20th December 2022 @ 2:00pm
(Whole school)**

School re-opens – Thursday 5th January 2023 @ 8:50am

Non-uniform Day – Friday 10th February 2023

**Spring Half Term 2023 – School closes on Friday 10th February 2023
(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)
(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)**

School re-opens – Monday 20th February 2023 @ 8:50am

Non-uniform Day – Friday 31st March 2023

**Easter Break 2023 – School closes on Friday 31st March 2023 @ 2:00pm
(Whole school)**

School re-opens – Monday 17th April 2023 @ 8:50am

**May Day – Monday 1st May – School closed all day
(open as normal Tuesday 2nd May @ 8:50am)**

Non-uniform Day – Wednesday 24th May 2023

**Summer Half Term 2023 – School closes on Wednesday 24th May 2023
(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)
(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)**

School re-opens – Monday 5th June 2023 @ 8:50am

Non-uniform Day – Friday 21st July 2023

**School closes for Summer Holidays – Friday 21st July 2023 @ 2:00pm
(Whole school)**



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OPEN EVENTS FOR ADMISSION 2023

Hawes Side Academy could be the perfect school for your child.
If you would like to know more, please come and see what we have to offer at one of our upcoming events:

Friday 7th October: 1.45-2.45pm

Friday 21st October: 9.15-10.15am

Saturday 12th November: 10.00-12.00noon

Thursday 17th November : 4.00-6.00pm

Tuesday 10th January: 9.15-10.15am

Simply book your place by calling 01253 402541

Principal: Mrs C Boothroyd
Hawes Side Academy, Johnsville Avenue, Blackpool, FY4 3LN
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Join our family

Everyone Matters, Everyone Succeeds

What's happening in November



- **Week commencing 7th November**, Poppy sales in school: Poppies will be sold from class. 
 - **12th November**, Open Event for new admissions (September starters 2023), 10am-12pm
 - **17th November**, Open Event for new admissions (September starters 2023), 4pm-6pm
 - **14th November - 18th November, Anti-Bullying Week**: we will be discussing this in class and in assemblies. To mark the event, children can come in odd socks on Monday 14th November. 
 - **14th November - 20th November**, Parliament Week
 - **18th November, Children in Need**: Children can come to school in pyjama's, official 'Pudsey' merchandise or non uniform. If you would like to send in a small monetary donation this will go to Children in Need. 
 - **21st November**, Tempest School photo's - Individual and family photo's
 - **21st November**, 2S walk of local area
 - **22nd November**, Year 1 Vision Screening (School Nurse Team)
 - **23rd November**, 2H walk of local area
 - **24th November**, 2A walk of local area
 - **24th November**, Community Café - Countdown to Christmas
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More info to follow

Watch out for text updates

A festive graphic for December. At the top is a circular logo with a blue 'H' and a red '4'. Below it are two cartoon penguins wearing winter hats and scarves, standing in front of stylized white Christmas trees. The word 'DECEMBER' is written in large, blue, block letters. Below it, the text 'Coming up this month' is written in green.

DECEMBER

Coming up this month

- **1st December**, Foundation visit St Christopher's
- **1st December**, PTFA Christmas Bingo (early evening)
- **5th December**, Foundation Reading workshop
- **6th December**, Foundation Family workshop
- **8th December**, Year 4 Enveco Visit to School
- **12th December**, 2H Nativity (afternoon)
- **14th December**, 2S Nativity (afternoon)
- **15th December**, 2A Nativity (afternoon)
- **19th December**, 'Elf Run'
- **19th December**, Christmas Lunch
- **20th December**, School closes at 2pm for Festive break
(we return Thursday 5th January 2023)

More information to follow
Watch out for the update texts!



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Term Dates – 2023/2024

	School Closes		School Opens @ 8:50 am	
Autumn Terms 2023 starts			Tuesday	5th September 2023
Inset Day <i>(Monday 2nd October)</i>	Friday	29th September 2023 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)</i>	Tuesday	3rd October 2023
Autumn Half Term 2023	Friday	20th October 2023 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)</i>	Monday	30th October 2023
Christmas 2023	Friday	22nd December 2023 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 2:00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 2:05 pm)</i>	Monday	8th January 2024
Spring Half Term 2024	Friday	9th February 2024 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)</i>	Tuesday	20th February 2024
Easter Break 2024	Thursday	28th March 2024 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 2:00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 2:05 pm)</i>	Monday	15th April 2024
May Day 2024 <i>(Monday 6th May)</i>	Friday	3rd May 2024 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)</i>	Tuesday	7th May 2024
Summer Half Term 2024	Friday	24th May 2024 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3:20 pm)</i>	Monday	3rd June 2024
Summer 2024	Friday	19th July 2024 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 2:00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 2:05 pm)</i>		



Pirate Phonics



4 week course for Year 1 Families

Tuesdays 1.00-3.00

Starting Tuesday 8 November

An opportunity for you and your child to work together
on fun activities which will help your child with phonics

- ✓ Discover ways to support your child's development
- ✓ Learn more about the Year 1 curriculum
- ✓ Make resources that you can use at home
- ✓ Find out about early reading, writing and phonics
- ✓ Meet other families and share ideas
- ✓ Find out how to support learning at home

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/PiratePhonics22>



Children join in for the second part of
each session



Due to health and safety we are unable to accommodate younger siblings in the sessions

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

FIFA 23

FIFA 23, like its many predecessors, is a massively popular football simulator featuring lifelike recreations of thousands of real-world players, drawn from teams around the globe. While the gameplay is subtly improved year on year, the publisher EA Sports' tweaks tend to focus on FIFA Ultimate Team mode, which can tempt gamers of all ages to spend real money recruiting better players for their side. With each new release of FIFA comes a host of new players to unlock – meaning that youngsters can feel pressured to keep buying to compete with their friends.

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

RELEASE RAZZAMATAZZ

FFA 23 will be the last in the blockbuster series, before EA goes solo with its own football title next season. This 'end of an era' vibe – coupled with a huge advertising budget making the new release almost impossible to miss – will elevate FFA 23 into even more of a 'must have' for football-mad young gamers, no matter how minor the updates are on last year's version.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CHAT

Based on a popular sport which appeals to people of all ages, the FIFA franchise draws a huge audience of both children and adults. Communication is a key element, with many players enjoying in-game audio chat via headsets. With the mixed age range of players and a lack of regulation, however, chats can often turn offensive or toxic – especially in the heat of competitive matches.

IN-GAME PROMOTIONS

Unless precautions are taken, dedicated FIFA fans can spend significant sums when attempting to improve their Ultimate Team. Most top-level players can be unlocked by simply participating in matches, but some sought-after stars can be obtained more quickly in limited-time promotions which cost a large amount of FIFA points (the in-game currency, often paid for with real money).

CIRCLING SCAMMERS

The popularity of FIFA Ultimate Team (FUT) mode has led to online scammers convincing many impressionable gamers to pay real money for non-existent FUT coins and player cards, or directing unwary FIFA fans to phishing sites. If your child gives these individuals their login details, the scammers can access not only their carefully built team but potentially your payment information.

ADDICTIVE NATURE

One match on FIFA (usually around 15 minutes, but often lengthened by extra time and penalties) almost invariably leads to another. It can be a powerful temptation for young players, regardless of unfinished homework or an approaching bedtime. If the "just one more game" mindset starts to impact a child's daily routine, it could be a sign of gaming disorder, a recognised mental health issue.

GAMBLING-ADJACENT BEHAVIOUR

Ultimate Team has become a major feature in FIFA due to the revenues it generates. It can also be addictive, with children striving to earn coins and level up while swapping, selling and buying players. Spending FUT coins to open a player pack (which many experts have likened to gambling) is designed to be an exciting act – with bright lights, fanfare and attention-grabbing prizes.

Advice for Parents & Carers

BE SELECTIVE WITH CHATS

It's enormous fun for FIFA players to chat online with friends, even as their teams do battle in the game. It's probably the safest idea, though, to restrict contact with strangers. By turning off voice chat in FIFA and allowing cross-party chat in their device's settings, your child can speak to people who are already on their friends list but won't be able to talk to (or hear) strangers online.

STAY ALERT FOR SCAMS

There are some key things to remember about potential FIFA scams. Firstly, EA never contacts users via any method other than emails to the account holder (which may well be you). Neither will they ever ask for a player's username or password outside the game itself. EA's terms and conditions outlaw the buying of FUT coins, so anyone selling them should be treated as suspicious.

CONTROL SPENDING

If your child plays Ultimate Team mode on FIFA, ensure their account isn't linked to your payment methods – so they'll need your permission to make in-game purchases. Alternatively, you could use parental controls to limit spending – or set up a pre-paid 'allowance'. When excitedly clicking options on screen, it's easy for a young person to forget the real-world repercussions of online purchases.

AVOID 'EXTRA TIME'

If your child's spending a lot of time on FIFA 23 and seems less enthusiastic about other activities in their life, you could consider restricting how long they can play for each day with the parental controls in their device's settings. Even if they're not playing on their console or computer, there's a FIFA companion app for smartphones – but that can be limited through parental controls, too.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Games Editor of technology and entertainment website Dextera and has been working in the gaming media for three years. A long-time fan of the FIFA franchise, he is also a parent and therefore a keen advocate of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have also been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar, among others.



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