



# HLA News

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023



Dear Families,

Welcome back to school, I hope you all managed to have a restful and enjoyable half term break?

Now that the weather is warmer can I please remind parents to ensure that they send in a sun hat and sun cream which are named? As we are a nut free school please do check the sun cream to ensure that it is nut free due to the allergy considerations for some of our students.

Also as part of our safer routes to school strategy and Modeshift STARS accreditation we as a school are responsible for pedestrian and vehicle movement on site. This is also an important health and safety consideration. Please can I remind parents and carers who arrive on site by car to ensure that all footpaths remain clear? We need to ensure users of the site arriving on foot can access the school safely.

Towards the end of this half term we will be generating reports using Evidence for Learning as a summary of your child's progress this year. This will be accompanied by a short summary by their class teacher giving information on your child's achievements. Due to the size of these reports they can only be viewed within the Evidence for Learning app and we will not be able to print these for every student. Parents and carers need to ensure they have access to this. If you are having difficulty at the end of this newsletter there is a how to guide. Please contact the school office who can organise for your password and login details to be reset if you do not have them.

We are excited to share that instead of a summer show this year we will be holding our very own art exhibition. This will be an immersive experience showcasing lots of the students work around the theme of the ocean. All of the work will be created from mainly recycled materials to convey the important message to reduce, reuse and recycle. Parents are invited to attend on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June between 1.30 and 3.00. If you would like to join us please complete the letter that has been sent out this week with how many spaces you require. At the moment we can only allocate 2 but we will do our best to accommodate more depending upon demand.

In response to students wanting more social activities the school council have organised a school disco. This will be taking place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July with two slots one for the older students and one for the younger students. Letters went out this week please return the slip with payment if your child would like to attend. There will be a tuck shop too! Please be aware that parents are responsible for transporting their children to and from the event.

This week Puffins have been engaging brilliantly in their learning about where our food comes from as their topic is Farm to Fork this half term. This coming Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June is Open Farm Sunday where lots of farms open their doors for free. Take a look at the website for details of an event near you <https://farmsunday.org/>. This could be a great opportunity for a fun and educational day out for all members of our school community. We are looking forward to seeing lots of photos and learning posted on Evidence for Learning from those who attend.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School



## Important Information



- Don't forget to ensure you have access to Evidence for Learning. Contact the office if you need your username and password reset.
- We are still looking for more willing volunteers to join our parents and carer group SOHLA. This is unfortunately at risk of dissolving so we are in desperate need of parental support. Please email and your message will be sent on to our co-chairs to get involved or send a message via Class Dojo.
- We are a nut free school so please do not send in any products containing nuts. This also accounts for sun cream too so please keep an eye on the ingredients in the bottles.
- Please remember we are a dog free site (excluding assistance and therapy dogs)
- Don't forget to return reply slips for our school disco with money taking place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July.
- Our Ocean's Exhibition will be taking place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, if you would like slots to attend please return the reply slip with how many tickets you require.
- We understand times are tough but please do donate £7.50 per term towards class funds so that we can continue enhancing our curriculum. We have not had a lot of donations of late and sadly have had to discontinue toast time this half term because of this.

### Mental Health Tip of the Week:

#### Accept who you are.

Some of us make people laugh, some are good with numbers or words, others cook amazing meals. We are all different in some way - and that's OK.

### Emotion of the Week

Our emotion of the week is calm. We are revisiting previous emotions and now exploring the way they make us feel and how to respond appropriately.



### Online Safety Tip of the Week

#### Feeling uncomfortable

- ◆ DON'T reply to trolls or people making unkind comments
- ◆ Don't be afraid to 'unfriend' or block people who upset you
- ◆ Do REPORT people if necessary