

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe today marks the end of my first half term at Old Hutton. Thank you all for making me feel so welcome. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the pupils and seeing first hand all the amazing learning that is taking place in the classrooms. I would also like to thank all the adults who work in school for their hard work and dedication over the last six weeks.

I hope you all enjoy your half term holidays next week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Nick



<u>Skip2bFit</u>

It was great to welcome Dave to school on Monday from Skip2bFit. All the pupils loved taking part in his fitness workshop. Dave also spoke to the classes about the importance of perseverance and believing in yourself.

Cricket Festival

Ten pupils from Class Three visited the Lakes School on Thursday afternoon to take part in a cricket festival. Our group joined pupils from ten other local primary schools to take part in batting, bowling and fielding activities. The festival was organised by Cricket Cumbria.



Pupil News

A very warm welcome to our new pupils Frankie (Y5), Holly (Y2) and their family who joined us this week making us 98 pupils altogether.

Staff News

On Wednesday we said goodbye to Mrs Susie Millward-Sampson. Susie has become a very special part of our Old Hutton team over the last two years and we will miss her hugely.

Parking

Please ensure that when you are parked outside school at the start and end of each day your engine is switched off. Doing this will help safeguard the school community and help to protect the environment.

World Book Day

This year's World Book Day will be on Thursday 3rd March. We will be celebrating books and reading all day. The pupils can dress up as their favourite character from a book if they wish.

Upcoming Dates

Friday 11 th Feb	Break up for half term
Monday 21 st Feb	Children return to school
Monday 21 st Feb	Class Three and Four trip to Wildlife Oasis
Thursday 24 th Feb	Class One and Two trip to Wildlife Oasis
Wednesday 23 rd Mar	Sports for Champions Day
Friday 1 st April	Break up for Easter Holiday at 2pm

Please see below for an update from our parents association.

PTA report

We'd like to thank the whole school community for supporting events we have run this half term both with attending them and donating to them to make them work!

Our 3 main events this half term were:

Movie Night, 20th January 'Encanto'

Full attendance of 40 children. Children get fruit, popcorn, a drink and a biscuit. This event was supported by Miss Harrison, Alice, Simin, Owen and Aileen. Angela manages bookings for us on ParentPay thanks Angela!

A profit of £160.00 was made.

School Play, Tuesday 25th January

Owen Carter led a team of PTA helpers Mary, Simin, Sarah and Aileen working alongside all the school staff to provide refreshments to the children in the play, the audience and supporting Miss Harrison's raffle. We raised a total of £265.00.

Bake Sale, 4th February

Once again we had lots of generous donations from the parent and teacher community and lots of very willing customers! Owen, Aileen, Alice and Sarah came along to run the stall. We raised a total of £66.00.

What we have spent proceeds on:

Last term our main spend was offering the Christmas party day to the whole school which cost £337.00.

The PTA is funding the transport for both Wildlife Oasis centre trips on the 21st (KS2) and 24th (Rec & KS1) February at a cost of £460.00.

Planned events for the second half of spring term 2022:

Movie Night: 10th March – Zootropolis – Tickets will go on sale (on ParentPay) at the beginning of March

Mother's Day Stall: 24th March – The PTA will run a stall where children can buy a small gift for Mother's Day. The gift will also be wrapped up. Donations for the **Mother's Day** Gift stall are ongoing and welcome! We would really appreciate your support! Any small gifts are welcome please drop them off in the 'Mother's Day Donations' box that will be placed on the steps of the story stage each morning. Thank you in advance! Bake Sale: 31st March – cake donations welcome. Please drop off at school that morning.

Thanks for your support, we are looking forward to more fun and fund-raising next term and beyond.

If you would like to join our committee, or be an occasional helper, or simply offer us ideas on events that you think would be good for us to consider offering please e mail us on:

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Warm Wishes Aileen Wright Old Hutton PTA Chair