



Newsletter #2 - Spring Term

Speed Limit Proposal

Last night, Old Hutton Parish Council held a meeting to discuss the proposed speed limit change outside school. The proposal is to reduce the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph. This reduction will help to keep the pupils, parents, carers and all members of the Old Hutton community safe. The speed limit change will also mean we can move forward with our plan to create a drop off area up the hill from school.

Attached to the newsletter email is a letter from Westmorland Council outlining the speed limit proposal. If you support the speed limit change, please complete the feedback sheet. If you need the form printing, please come into school and ask for a copy.

Reading Open Evening

On Tuesday 23rd January we have arranged a Reading Open Evening. The purpose of this event is to give you more information about how reading is taught in your child's class and to show you the range of exciting books we use across the curriculum. The timings for the presentations are as follows:

Class One 3.25pm – 3.45pm Class Two 3.50pm – 4.10pm Class Three 4.15pm – 4.35pm Class Four 4.40pm – 5pm

Every Tuesday I run a Reading Club for pupils in Key Stage Two. The club starts straight after school and finishes at 4.15pm. On Tuesday 23rd January, you are more than welcome to come along to the club to see what happens.

Miss Harrison will also be available throughout the opening evening to showcase how we support pupils who find reading difficult.

School Photos

Individual (and sibling) school photos will be taken on Wednesday 24th January. The sibling photos (where a sibling does not attend school) will be taken in the Village Hall between 8.30am – 9.00am. All other photos will be taken during school time (individual and school siblings).

School Uniform

As we start the new term I would like to remind everyone of our expectations for school uniform. Our policy states that pupils should come to school in:

- A red sweatshirt. This will ideally be a school one with a school logo badge on it, but plain red sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans are acceptable.
- A red or white polo shirt, ideally with the school logo.

- Grey or black skirt / pinafore / trousers / shorts / red and white gingham dress in summer.
- Plain black, grey, white or red socks or tights.
- Black shoes.
- Optional red fleece jacket with school logo badge.

On PE days we ask for your child to come to school in the following:

- A red t-shirt. This will ideally be a school one with a school logo badge on it, but plain red t-shirts are acceptable.
- Black shorts.
- Plain black, grey or blue jogging trousers or leggings which a school sweat shirt can be worn with.
- PE trainers, (which are not their school shoes,) or well-fitting black pumps

<u>Art</u>

Last week, Class Two really enjoyed using clay in their Art lessons. The pupils used their hands as tools, made a pinch pot, used the score and slip method to join clay and created a house tile. All the pupils showed fantastic perseverance and friendship throughout the three sessions.



National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety update is entitled Free Speech vs Hate Speech. The guide gives you information about how to talk to your child about 'freedom of expression'. It also explains about the importance of not writing or sharing hate speech online.

To sign up for your own free National Online Safety account please follow the link below. https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/old-hutton-cofe-school

Thanks for your continued support.

Nick

Attendance in School

Attendance for Autumn Term	94.89%
Attendance for Spring Term	96.47%
Attendance for W/C 3/1/24	95.00%
Attendance for W/C 8/1/24	97.95%

Key Dates

Event	Date
Edinburgh Residential Parent Meeting	Thursday 25 th January
Internet Safety Talk at Dallam School	Thursday 25 th January

School Year dates 2023-24

Spring Term 2024

Staff training day Tuesday 2nd January Wednesday 3rd January – Thursday 28th March

Half Term Holiday: Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Summer Term 2024

Staff training day Monday 15th April Tuesday 16th April – Friday 19th July Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

Half Term Holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Nursery applications for 2024/25

January 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 22 September 2023 April 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 13 January 2024 September 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 24 March 2024 January 2025 entry Closing date for applications – 22 September 2025

Reception applications for 2024

September 2024 closing date for applications - 15 January 2024

Secondary school applications for 2024

September 2024 closing date for applications - 31 October 2023

For all applications please

visit https://legacy.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/childrensservices/schoolsandlearning/lss/schooladmissions.asp for further information on how to apply.