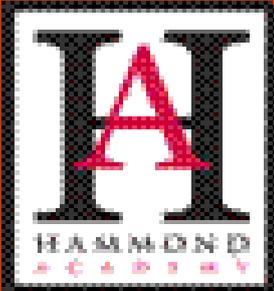


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Newsletter

Attendance

Well done to **Y5 Garnet** class who are this week's winners achieving **100%** attendance.

Target: 100%

Forthcoming Dates:

- 8th July—DHC Athletics
- 9th July—Reception stay & play (2.45-3.30pm)
- 11th July—Meet the Teacher morning
- 11th July—Reception Coral Sharing Assembly (3pm Hall)
- 11th July—New Reception Children (Sept), Meet the teacher (9.30am—10.45am)
- 12th July—Nursery Picnic (parents invited 10.30am)
- 15th July—FOH Summer Disco
- 17th July—Year 6 Performance (2pm & 5pm)
- 18th July—Leaver Party (4.30—6.30pm)
- 23rd July—Leavers Assembly (9am)
- 23rd July—End of Summer Term (School closes at 1.30pm)

BACK TO SCHOOL (3rd Sept)

Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge well done and thank you to Mr Rickman for organising two very successful sports days. The feedback from the children has been great and it is good to see that the high quality PE the children receive in their weekly PE lessons transfers so successfully to sports days. Thank you too to the PTA for organising refreshments and to all of you who came along to support your children. We are aware that day two over-ran slightly and that this inconvenienced some of you – we have made a note if it so we can prevent it happening again next year.

Next Friday the children will receive their end of year school reports but the introduction of GDPR means we have to tighten up on our arrangements for giving them to the children so that we can be sure you receive them and that they don't go missing on the route home. Reports will not be put in book bags – class teachers will hand them to the children as they leave the classroom if they can see there is a parent waiting to collect the child. If the teacher doesn't see you, therefore doesn't give your child their report, just ask the teacher for it. If you are unable to collect your child from school next Friday, you may collect the report from your child's classroom at the end of school on Monday 15th July. From Tuesday 16th July, reports can be collected from the office at any time when the office is open. Reports not collected by the last day of term will be posted to you. We do appreciate that this will have an impact on parents who work and are unable to get to school, however, under new data protection regulations we have to ensure your child's data is given to you and we cannot take the risk for example of a Y6 child who walks home without an adult losing their report (their personal data) on the way home. Please get in touch with the admin team if you have any queries.

Have a lovely weekend

Eileen Anderson
Interim Principal



Aspire News

This week has been a week of meetings to plan the training and other events taking place across Aspire next year on the theme of reading. The principals met with Mrs Bishop from the Teaching School and Mrs Parsey and Mr Evans to plan the inset day taking place at the beginning of September. Mrs Laver and Mrs Lacey met with the literacy and reading leaders from all of the academies to share ideas to start planning the areas of reading we will focus on at Hammond next year. It's great to be able to share ideas and use the strengths we have within our individual academies to support each other.

Class Photographs

Please be advised that class photograph proofs were sent home with children this week. If you wish to place an order please ensure they are returned to school by no later than **Tuesday 9th July 2019**. **Due to time constraints we will be unable to accept proofs handed into the office after this date.**

Late orders can be placed online direct with DSP and will be subject to a post & packaging charge.

Learning Hero of the Week

To be presented in class as follows:

Monday 8th July 2019 at 3.15pm

Y1 Pearl: , Year 1 Jade: Charlie,

Y2 Diamond: Chukwudalu,

Y3 Amethyst: , Y3 Moonstone: Samara,

Y4 Sapphire: , Y4 Citrine: Ellie, Y4 Jasper: Elsa, Y4 Quartz: ,

Y5 Garnet: Adam, Year 5 Tigers Eye: Pryce, Year 5 Jet: ,

Learning Hero of the Week

To be presented in class as follows:

Wednesday 8th July 2019 at 3.15pm

Y2 Emerald: Max,

Early Years

Presented today:

Nursery: Aleeza, Damaris, Denee

Reception Sunstone: Drisha,

Nursery Transition

As you are aware, on Thursday 11th July, your child will be going across to their new Reception classroom between 9.30 and 10.45am. Nursery will commence as usual at 8.45am and Mrs Chuimi and Mrs Carberry will accompany your child to his or her respective Reception classroom.

DHC Athletics

Selected children from Years 5 & 6 will be taking part in the above on Monday 8th July. Please ensure they have plenty of water with them, a packed lunch, a hat and sun cream applied.

Year 5

Can you please send an empty plastic bottle (500ml size) into school next week. As a part of our work on Harry Potter, we would like to make some 'potions' the following week. Thank you for your help.

Kind Regards,

Year 5 Team

SPORTS DAY 2019

What an amazing Sports Day(s) this week! Over the two days every child in the school was out being active and taking part in their circuit, working hard to score as many points for their Houses as they could! A big well done to every child who qualified for the races, they all represented their Houses brilliantly.

The results are in...!!!

Drake - 6232

Kingsley - 6128

Bancroft - 5896

Raleigh - 5638

Livingstone - 5548



Early Years

Our Early Years children have been very lucky today! Kelly Wright, a children's author from Berkhamsted, visited us to read her beautiful story 'The Bluebell Wood'.



Hammond App

Our app (designed by Piota) will keep you informed about your child's education and life in general at Hammond Academy. It was introduced to update you and help cut down on paper and ink consumption.

As well as an information source we contact parents from time to time via alert messages carried by the app. These will appear on your phone's notifications screen with the Hammond Academy logo next to them. You can filter the alert messages if you wish: go to the Settings page on the app and choose whether to receive all alerts or just those relevant to your child's class.

The app is free for anyone to download so tell your child's grandparents, other relatives, godparents etc about it so they can keep up to date too. And any friends who are thinking of sending their children to Hammond Academy too!

If you are having trouble downloading the App, please call into the school office.

For those of you already using the App, please ensure you select the correct channel to receive notifications relevant to your child's class in September.

The School will break up for the Summer Term on Tuesday 23rd July at 1.30pm