

## April Newsletter 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

This year has certainly been a challenging year so far. The loss of a teacher and pupil is absolutely tragic and it will take time for us to heal as a school community. Teachers and pupils are working together to find appropriate ways to remember Sarah Williams and Nicole Lidsey. We will update you when our plans are finalised.

On a more positive note, our pupils have come back to school, following the Easter break, very well indeed. We are hoping that we do not have any more COVID related absences, but we understand that it is still early days and we need to take every precaution we can to stay safe in school.

It was so lovely coming back after Easter to light mornings and evenings. It is good to know the summer is coming and with the end of lockdown, we will be able to enjoy the coming summer months.

Stay safe.

Mrs Bardetti

Headteacher

### Golden Assembly

16.4.21	Teddy KY -	LB	23.4.21	Isabella M	LBP
16.4.21	Alfie S	MH	23.4.21	Daisy	UW
16.4.21	Jack W	UW	23.4.21	Bobby L	MH
16.4.21	Ava C	LF	23.4.21	Kiera CF	RBe
16.4.21	Daisy C	RBa	23.4.21	Louie T	RBa
16.4.21	Emelia C	LBP	23.4.21	Finley G Chris G	UHa
16.4.21	Ilayda A - Mrs Bardetti Archie G	UHa	23.4.21	Paul EL	MC
16.4.21	Brooke S	UH	23.4.21	Mia FJ	LF
16.4.21	Daschell G Naya PS	RBe	23.04.21	Chloe WA	UD
16.4.21	Josie F	MG	23.04.21	Elsie-May C	LB
16.4.21	Arthur S	MCY	23.04.21	Charlie O	MG
16.4.21	Alicia G	MC	23.4.21	Reece G Charlie W Aaron G	UH
16.4.21	Wren C Kian F	UD	23.4.21	Bailey H Emily T	MCY
16.4.21	Mia S	LHW	23.4.21	Abigail S	LHW

### **Captain Tom 100 Challenge**

At the end of the month the children will be taking part in the Captain Tom 100 Challenge to support The Captain Tom Foundation and celebrate the achievements of Sir Captain Tom. On Friday 30th April and Tuesday 4th May each phase will be walking or running 100 laps around the school field. A separate letter has been emailed with further information and details.

### **Cricket and Tennis**

Throughout the summer term we are very lucky to be having specialist coaches teaching different year groups how to play cricket and tennis, which is being funded by our Sports Premium. During these lessons the children will be developing their techniques, applying attacking and defending tactics in competitive games, as well as reflecting on their performance as they improve.

### **Governor Corner**

Have you heard about the sofa that ate children? No, neither had I until I phoned my 9-year old granddaughter Alba and asked if she had any ideas that I could write about in *Governor Corner*. She was full of useful tips for a grandparent struggling to connect. "Don't do it *too* badly" she advised "or they'll make you do it again."

"Oh, and don't do it too well either or they'll make you do it again."

"It has to be just right."

"You need to write something that is useful for the children" she said, giggling down the phone, while her dad made helpful suggestions in the background. Maybe something about "How to train your teacher". Lesson One, as far as I could make out, consisted of bringing in an apple or some other gift for the teacher every morning, thus persuading her or him that you were a girly swat so she would leave you alone. I was convinced that the teachers at HH were just too clever to be taken in by this so she tried another idea. Dig a *tunnel* under the classroom floor and out into the playground so you can slip out unnoticed during boring lessons.

So back to the sofa hazard. Teachers should make sure they are familiar with the latest Department for Education advice about the dangers of children being eaten by sofas (contained in policy document DFE-007218-2021) although Mrs Bardetti is probably already onto it and has produced a summary. More probably if you are a parent wondering what this is all about, it's this. Your children have a wonderful sense of fun. *Read to your children. And get them to read to you.* You can do it anywhere. In bed. At the kitchen table. On the floor. Even on the sofa. They'll be quite safe as long as they're with you. Probably.

**Andy Dunnett**  
**Governor**

### **Parent Governor Election**

The term of office for Mrs Williams, who is currently a parent governor, is due to expire this term, therefore there will need to be a parent governor election. Mrs Williams is entitled to stand again, however this position is open to all parents who currently have a child at the school. Information will be sent out by email in the coming weeks.

**April 2021**

Friday 30th April - Captain Tom 100 Challenge

**May 2021**

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 4th May - Captain Tom 100 Challenge

Friday 28th May - Non-pupil day

Monday 31st May - Half term break

**June 2021**

Monday 7th June - Return to school

Wednesday 23rd June - PTA Bag to School collection - information will be sent shortly

**July 2021**

Wednesday 21st July - Non-pupil day and last day of the Summer term