



Hague Bar Primary Newsletter



October 9th 2020

Halloween

Last year we had our first Dress Up disco for Halloween which was really enjoyable. Unfortunately, we cannot do this in the same way this year, but the teachers and I have come up with an alternative; on Thursday 22nd October (the last day before half term) children can come dressed up for the day (either spooky or other) and each class will do something special. Home creations are very welcome. Please remember that the children will still play outside and have lunch in their costumes, so do ensure your child will be warm enough with under layers etc. We understand not all children enjoy dressing up so this is completely optional. The PTA will be adding a surprise to this occasion and will be asking for a small donation – further details will follow.

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This week The Chair of Governors, Mrs Julie Sutton, and I signed the academisation paperwork which will officially move us from DCC to the True Learning Partnership on November 1st 2020. However, we will still be Hague Bar Primary School with the same uniform and existing staff. Immediate changes you might notice are: different email addresses, an additional logo and a website tweak or two. But otherwise it will be 'business as usual'.



Parent Pay

Mrs Wagstaff will be running a 'debt report' on the morning of Thursday October 22nd and she would love this to come back with a zero return! If you can ensure all dinners are paid for before this date, that would really make her day.

Assemblies

For the last few weeks I've managed to host a, fairly short, weekly assembly outside to give out certificates and stickers. It's been super to see the children altogether, and for the children it's been an opportunity for them to see their peers (at a safe distance) who are not within their bubble. As the weather turns colder though, we will be either having separate class assemblies or I may do a synchronised online assembly if technology allows.

Mental Health Awareness

Tomorrow is the national day for reminding us about the importance of mental health. This is more relevant this year than any other. As a school we are very aware of the children's well-being and how having good mental health is an intrinsic aspect throughout our lives. We have a program of PSHE sessions which are delivered as part of the timetable and adjusted according to needs/issues within classes. For adults too, good mental health is essential. Please: mums, dads, grannies and grandpas, take some time for yourself when you can. School do have access to support and you are welcome to contact us if you wish.



Individual Photographs

We have booked a professional photographer to take individual school photos on Thursday November 5th in the morning. Please put that note on your calendars and make sure red jumpers are clean. The photographers will be using Covid19 secure hygiene measures in between bubbles of children.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs. Rachel Parry
Headteacher