

UNDERHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 5th October 2020

Lunch menu: School packed lunch

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HEAD'S CORNER

What a wet and windy weekend it was; we hope you still managed to have some fun. As we have now clearly turned a corner with the weather, please can you ensure that your children are coming to school with a named, waterproof coat each day.

As today is World Teachers' Day, we are sure you will join us in saying a huge thank you to all the teachers at Underhill. We feel so incredibly lucky to be able to work with such dedicated and inspiring teachers. Throughout the challenges of the past few months, Underhill teachers have demonstrated time and time again that they are willing to go the extra mile for the Underhill community.

As you have seen, we have teamed up with Magic Breakfast who are now ensuring that we can provide every child in the school with breakfast everyday. We do hope you are all enjoying your cereal and bagels!

Have a great week,

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles

HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES



As advised previously, after half term, we will be starting to provide hot school lunches again from our canteen.

The menu should be available to view on the Feed Hungry

Minds website within the next few days

Universal free school meals are available to all children in Reception to Year 2, if you would like your child to have a hot lunch. Lunches from

Year 3 to 6 are charged at £2.20 a day unless you are entitled to free school meals. Payment must be made regularly on school money, preferably in advance.

If you wish to switch your child back to School lunches please click on this link by Friday 16th October <https://forms.gle/sQCde5AS9sUnrTK8A> so the canteen know the numbers they will be catering for and we can plan for this.

All children currently receiving a school lunch will automatically continue with a hot school meal unless you notify the office, again by the 16th October.

We would like to remind all parents/carers that after half term if you wish to change your child's meal choice, you must notify the office and give a minimum of one weeks notice. You will be charged for any lunches ordered where the required or no notice has not been given

Thank you

MASK WEARING

Please remember when dropping off and picking up children that you need to wear a mask on school site and maintain social distancing.

If you need to come into the office for an appointment or for an urgent important matter masks are mandatory. If possible please phone instead with your query or concern.

JUST ONE TREE NON UNIFORM DAY

Our school will be taking part in the JUST ONE Tree non-uniform day on Friday 16th October.

Each child should bring in £1 and wear something green. This will enable the charity to plant a tree - uniting children, parents and schools across the world in taking positive action for our climate.

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STARS OF THE WEEK

A big congratulations to our Stars of the Week this week. They are:

Conker am	Dorsa
Conker pm	Tommy
Beech	Shay
Maple	Marlene
1 Oak	Arbenita
1 Willow	Riley
2 Chestnut	Nicole
2 Palm	Luqman
3 Cedar	Yusra
3 Hornbeam	Ben
3 Yew	Maria
4 Cherry	Hollie
4 Larch	Krishika
4 Pine	Millie
5 Holly	Arina
5 Laurel	Anna
5 Sycamore	Daniela
6 Elm	Heidi
6 Hawthorn	Joseph

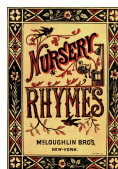


RECEPTION



In Reception last week we were exploring making patterns and looking at repeating patterns using colours, sizes and shapes. The children were brilliant at predicting what comes next in a pattern and used a variety of resources to practise in the classroom such as cubes, beads and pom poms! Can you create a pattern at home? What would you use? We were also enjoying our story of the week 'The Blue Chameleon' where the chameleon feels lonely and tries to find a friend. The children decorated their own chameleons and wrote their own speech bubbles from the story. How would you make a new friend? What would you say?

NURSERY



This week in Nursery we are continuing with favourite Nursery Rhymes and adapting them into our continuous provisions to see if we can transfer our skills. We are going to be opening up our new art area to look at the primary

colours and see what colours we can create when mixed. We will be creating hand prints and placing them together to show our new friendships made in Nursery.

If you are still not connected to Seesaw please arrange an appointment with the Class teacher to see if we can support you to create your account so you can see your child's first post.

RECEPTION 2021

If your child is due to turn 4 before August 31st 2021 you will have received an email from the school detailing the application process for a reception place.

The online application system is now open at www.eadmissions.org.uk . All parents must apply online, paper forms are not available.

Parents who have difficulty in making an online application can get help and support by phoning the School Admissions Team Customer Contact Centre on 020 8359 7651.

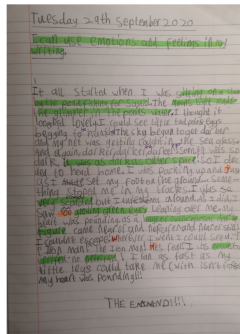
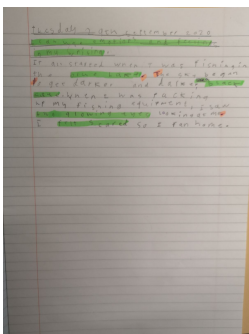
The deadline for applications is Friday January 15th 2021.

YEAR 3

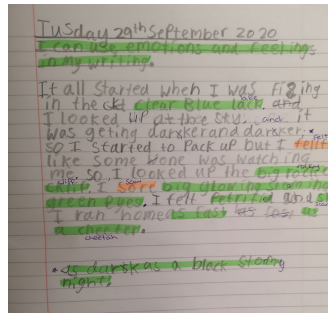
In 3 Cedar, the children have been using language techniques to write a diary entry. These four went into the Book of Excellence for their work.

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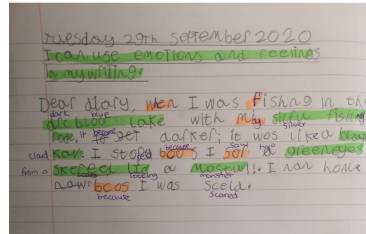
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Lewis



Skyla



DRIVING AND PARKING



Unfortunately we need to send another reminder, again about parking and driving. Please be considerate when

dropping your children off. We have received various complaints about parents driving too fast around the school. We are also being told that parents are parking on pavements, blocking drives, reversing erratically and refusing to move when requested by local residents. Your help and support with this would be much appreciated.

YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSFER

Just another reminder if you are a parent of a Year 6 child and have not yet done so, please apply online for your child's secondary school place at www.eadmissions.org.uk.

Please remember the closing date for applications is 31 October 2020

ATTENDANCE

Please remember to report any absences daily. We will need to know your child's name, class and the reason for their absence. If they are ill we need to know what is wrong with them as we are sending daily updates to the Department of Education. You can report their absence by calling the school and leaving a message on option 1 or alternatively you can email attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net

Reception Beech	91.67%
Reception Maple	93.02%
1 Oak	95.63%
1 Willow	89.90%
2 Chestnut	97.21%
2 Palm	97.24%
3 Cedar	90.95%
3 Hornbeam	94.74%
3 Yew	95.90%
4 Cherry	92.89%
4 Larch	97.03%
4 Pine	89.12%
5 Holly	96.61%

5 Laurel	96.77%
5 Sycamore	95.45%
6 Elm	96.14%
6 Hawthorn	92.83%
Total	94.60%

INSET DAY REMINDER

Just a reminder that Monday 19th October is a staff Inset day so there will be no children in school on this day.



Parents/Carers can view Autumn 2020 timetable on the website

Welfare Rights - Advice on housing, money matters and legal advice - Book a telephone appointment 020 8449 2423

Weaning Sessions - 19th October 10am - 11am phone to book 020 8449 2423

Locality Housing Navigator - Telephone Appointments, 9.15am - 1pm phone to book 020 8449 2423

If you are interested in adult learning courses in English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL), Paediatric First Aid or Art For Wellbeing please call or email 020 8449 2423 info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net

Groups will be held on site at Underhill School & Children's Centre. Parents/Carers have to book to attend groups and limited spaces

available. Entry to sign in for groups will be explained when booking. Phone 0208 449 2423 or email info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net.

ALL PARENTS MUST WEAR FACE COVERINGS TO ENTER AND LEAVE THE BUILDING WHEN ATTENDING GROUPS.

Under 1's Play & Stay

Mondays - 10.00am – 11.30am Friday - 10.00am – 11.30am

For parents/carers with babies under 1.

There will be lots of fun activities, new and entertaining nursery rhymes and group discussions: Oral health and Immunisation & Vitamin D

Weaning Sessions

Monday - 1pm - 2pm on 21.09.20, 05.10.20
10am - 11 am on 19.10.20

Boogie Mites

Tuesday - 9.15am – 10.00am 0 – 5 years old

EXTRA SESSION-Wednesday-9.15am-10.00am
0-5 years old

Rhyme Time

Thursday - 10.30am – 11.15am Enjoy singing songs and rhymes with your child.
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