

UNDERHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 14th September 2020

Lunch menu: School packed lunch

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WELCOME BACK!

We can't tell you how wonderful it is to have all the children back in school! Their behaviour has been really positive and mature, and they have adapted really well to the changes. Thank you all for helping them prepare for the 'new school' normal. Last week at Underhill was all about having fun, getting to know their new teachers and starting their new topic 'Not all Heroes Wear Capes'.

Teachers have been carefully assessing the children's starting points for this academic year. As we are unable to hold our usual 'Meet the Teacher' sessions, teachers will be phoning all families over the next two weeks to introduce themselves and give you an opportunity to discuss any issues or concerns you may have. We will also be sending home presentations that detail all of the usual information shared at 'Meet the Teacher'.

If you have any concerns or worries, please do let us know. You can email us at head@underhill.barnetmail.net

Have a great week!

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

It has been fantastic to see the children back at both Breakfast and After School Club. Please remember, with the extra COVID measures we have put in place to protect your children, we have had to limit the numbers to 30 at each session. Please remember to book in advance. We are unable to accept any last minute bookings so please ensure that you book

before midday on the day you wish your child to attend.

All bookings will need to be made in advance and paid for on school money.

WATER BOTTLES

Please could we remind parents/carers to send your children in with a named water bottle each day.



SCHOOL MEALS



Just a reminder that for the first half term - up to Friday 23rd October we will not be serving hot meals in school. The children who are on school dinners will be provided with a packed lunch from our canteen instead. Children need to bring a drink with them as this will not be provided with the lunch. If you pay for your child's lunch the cost for school packed lunch remains £2.20 a day.

Please can we remind parents if you do wish to change lunch options for your child you must always contact the school office and give at least one weeks notice, thank you .

If you feel you are entitled to free school meals, please completing the online secure form at

<https://forms.gle/JkwJkCd5jixHrFwt5>.



OUTSTANDING DEBTS

Whilst we appreciate these are difficult times. Please can you clear any outstanding debts as soon as possible.. If for any reason you cannot pay in full please ensure you email the office explaining this and offering a proposal for repayment.



YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSFER

All Year 6 parents should have received an email about applying for secondary school for your child. With social distancing measures still in place it is highly unlikely that any school will be allowing visitors on site this year and you **must** check individual school websites for the latest information about open events. Virtual events are likely to be held instead.

Parents are strongly advised to check school websites before attending any open events.

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

Please remember the closing date for applications is 31 October 2020

If you have any problem completing the application please book an appointment with us and we will see if we can help you in submitting the application or parents can call the School Admissions Customer Services Team on 020 8359 7651 for support and guidance.

EXTERNAL CLUBS

From this week the following external clubs will be running again, please contact the office if you would like a contact number for them

Monday's French - Year 5
Tuesday Lunchtime 12:00-12:45- Yr 1 Drama
Tuesday after school 3:15-4.05 - Yr 2 Drama

We are hoping to run fencing if the intake is high enough it is open to Year 5&6 (whichever year group shows most interest will get the allocation) on Thursdays after school 3:20-4:20.

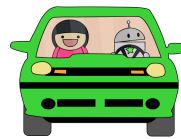
RECEPTION

The children who have started in Reception this week have been amazing! They have arrived happily and are settling in really well adapting to all the new routines including lunch time. We are really proud of all the children and parents for this fantastic start! Well done!

NURSERY

It has been fantastic in nursery this term and the children are settling really well.

CONSIDERATE PARKING

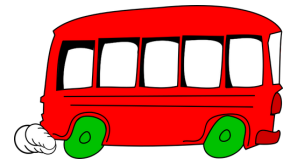


Please can we remind parents to park and drive responsibly around school. We have had complaints from local residents about parents blocking their drives and parking on pavements.

We have been advised that traffic wardens will be circulating at our pick up and drop off times.

BUS ROUTES

Just to keep you informed we have spoken to our local authority Governor about the difficulty with bus routes from Whetstone who will pursue this on our behalf.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Children must come to school in the correct, clean uniform each day with a note to say if they have any difficulty with this. Please do call and speak to us if you have any problems to see if we can offer any solutions.

For a full list of uniform requirements please see our website at www.underhillschool.org/uniform PLEASE MARK EVERYTHING WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME

Girls and Boys

- Grey trousers/pinafore/skirts/shorts/ culottes (this does not include leggings)
- Yellow polo shirt





- Brown school sweatshirt or cardigan with Underhill logo
- Black shoes or trainers (small logos are acceptable)
- Plain and dark socks or tights (no bright colours or patterns)

Assistant Caretaker - Lettings (As and When Required)

Grade D (£22779 - £24030 pro-rata)

Closing date : 12 noon 24 September 2020

Interview: To be confirmed

An Application pack can be downloaded from our website www.underhillschool.org

PE kit

On your child's designated PE day they need to come into school wearing their PE kit as follows:

- Black trainers (small logos are acceptable)
- White shorts (plain grey tracksuit bottoms in the winter)
- Yellow T-shirt
- Brown school sweatshirt or cardigan with Underhill logo. (No hoodies are to be worn.)

Uniform can be purchased from:

Yvonne's Schoolwear
96 East Barnet Road
Barnet
EN4 8RQ.

Telephone 020 8440 2448

www.yvoneschoolwear.com.

Please place your orders where possible online with Yvonne's.

Uniform can also be ordered online at - www.YourschoolUniform.com

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Mrs Stock really needs boys trousers 8 years and upwards but specifically for 11/12 year olds, sweatshirts 10/11 years, medium and or large also.

STAFF VACANCY

Required to start ASAP

<u>What to do if...</u>	<u>Action needed</u>	<u>Return to school when...</u>
...my child has coronavirus symptoms	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self isolate Get a test Inform school immediately of test result	...the test comes back negative
...my child tests positive for Coronavirus	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self isolate for at least 10 days Inform school immediately of test results	...They feel better. They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.





...somebody in my household has Corona virus symptoms	<p>Do not come to school</p> <p>Contact school daily</p> <p>Self isolate</p> <p>Household member to get a test</p> <p>Inform school immediately of test results</p>	...the test result is negative
...somebody in my household has tested positive for Coronavirus	<p>Do not come to school</p> <p>Contact school daily</p> <p>Self isolate for 14 days</p>	...the child has completed 14 days of self isolation
...NHS test and Trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Coronavirus	<p>Do not come to school</p> <p>Contact school daily</p> <p>Self isolate for 14 days</p>	...the child has completed 14 days of self isolation

...we/my child travelled and has to self isolate for a period of quarantine	<p>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time</p> <p>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</p> <p>Provide information to school as per attendance policy</p> <p><u>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed</u></p> <p>Do not come to school</p> <p>Contact school daily</p> <p>Self isolate for 14 days</p>	...the quarantine period of 14 days is over
...we have received advice that my child must resume shielding	<p>Do not come to school</p> <p>Contact school as required by the pastoral team</p> <p>Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</p>	...school/ Dr inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return

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

Story Time & Activity

Wednesday - 10.00am- 10.45am

A different story and a creative activity each
week for you to do and enjoy with your
child. 18 months to 5 years old

Rhyme Time

Thursday - 10.30am - 11.15am Enjoy singing
songs and rhymes with your child.
0-5 years old

SCHOOL TIMES

Year 1 8:50am - 3:10pm

Year 2 8:40am - 3:20pm

Year 3 8.50am -3:10pm

Year 4 9am - 3:30pm

Year 5 8.40am - 3.20pm

Year 6 8.40am - 3.20pm

