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Tuesday 7th December 2021

Be Curious

Be Caring

Be Confident

Be Cooperative

HEADS' CORNER

Hi everyone,

We hope that all our families who celebrated Channukah had a lovely eight days. We are now well into our Christmas celebrations this week with Key stage 2 having all been treated to a brilliant show at The Bull Theatre and Christmas jumper and door decorating day fast approaching on Friday. We can't wait for the National Elf Service to meet KS1 and EYFS next week! We are really disappointed that we are unable to hold our traditional Christmas performances and we really appreciate your support and understanding about this.

As you will have seen, we are now sending home a letter each day so you can be fully informed of the number of cases of Covid in the school. This is to ensure that you have a good understanding of why the measures we put in place are necessary. This is about working together and supporting each other through a very challenging time. If you feel at all worried about Covid in school, please do give us a call to discuss.

Over the past few weeks we have been carrying out tours for prospective parents for Reception next year. It has been lovely to see the school through their eyes. The children have been so friendly when we have visited their classrooms and are real ambassors for Underhill. A lot of the parents have come to the tour as they have been hearing positive things about Underhill within the community. This makes us all feel really proud.

Thank you to all the families who have contributed to the reverse advent so far. Don't forget to bring any other contributions into school before we break up.

We hope you have a great week,

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles







NOTICES AND NEWS

RE SPIRITED ARTS COMPETITION 2021 WINNER: NURSERY!

In June, we all took part in the RE Spirited Arts Competition supporting the Jo Cox Foundation, "We are far more united and have far more in common than that which divides us."

Our very own Nursery class was picked out of 20,000 entries, which is amazing! Their artwork is featured on Newsround's website: https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/59502544

Thank you again for everyone's hard work!

Take a look at this work of art made from a nursery class, how brilliant! They all joined together to make the Earth because that's what unites us.



Miss Tsiaparis

Year 3 Teacher

HOUSE CAPTAINS AND VICE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to our new house captains and vice captains who were elected via a whole school vote, they are:

Frankie	Captain	Georgia May	Vice Captain
Kayla	Captain	Neela	Vice Captain
Maggie	Captain	Igor	Vice Captain
Natalia	Captain	Zack	Vice Captain
	Kayla Maggie	Kayla Captain Maggie Captain	Kayla Captain Neela Maggie Captain Igor







BOY'S FOOTBALL MATCH REPORT

On Tuesday, our boy's football team played Courtland in the second round of the Dick Bailey Cup after progressing earlier on in the year.



They started the match full of confidence, but couldn't break the deadlock after hitting the post and bar multiple times! Eventually, the score shifted as Courtland scored the first goal, followed by a goal from Zack with five minutes before half time to level the game.

In the second half, the boys came out firing as a team and scored four more goals from: Zack, Jake x 2 and Juel. The four goals and consistency as a team saw them sail into the third round of the cup!

Man of the match: Jake

ENGLISH CORNER

FRED 'reads'

Well done everyone for your home reading: we have reached 8500 FRED reads already. It would be lovely to reach 10,000 before Christmas so keep reading every single day!

New-look FRED

FRED is evolving! Over the next few months, the FRED bookmarks (In Years 3-6) will be replaced by a yellow FRED reading diary. You still have to bring it in daily but now we will be asking you to write down the date, the title of the book and the pages you have read. Older children will be asked to write a comment and any unknown vocabulary as well. Please continue to bring your new FRED reading diary every day so the class teacher can monitor your child's reading.

Thank you,

Anniina Limbrick Literacy Lead









Reverse Advent Calendar

Each year at Underhill, we love to support charites local to our school and Barnet to help ensure everyone has a happy festive holiday. This year we will be asking for your support through our Reverse Advent Calendar.

The reverse advent calendar works differently to a traditional one by using the days in late November/December to put items into our Christmas collection boxes each day ready to take to local causes in time for Christmas week.

This year we will be making donations to **Little Larkins**, **Rainbow Centre Food Bank and Baby Basics**. Below is a list of items they have asked for. The Christmas collection boxes for you to drop your donations into under the shelter outside the school office and by the doors to the hall in the big playground from Monday 29th November.

Breakfast cereal
Spaghetti hoops
Tinned fruit
Soup
Tinned meat
Tinned vegetables
Pasta sauce
Rice Pudding
Jelly pots
Biscuits
Tea
Coffee
Hot chocolate
Sugar

Tooth brushes
Toothpaste
Baby Shampoo
Nappy Cream
Wipes
Toilet rolls
Toiletries
Cooking oil
Long life milk
Washing powder
Washing up liquid
Crisps/ Snacks
Juice

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday December 15^{th:} Christmas Dinner
Thursday December 16^{th:} Afternoon Class parties
Thursday December 16^{th:} Last day of Nursery
Friday December 17^{th:} School closes at 2pm
Wednesday January 5th INSET day- no children in school
Thursday January 6th Children back to school











Week commencing 29th November

Conker Am Elisha Conker Pm Lorenzo Beech Lina Maple Ahmed 1 Oak Matthew 1 Willow Sam 2 Chestnut Eloise 2 Palm Samin 3 Cedar Victoria 3 Hornbeam Lua 3 Yew Zosia 4 Cherry Victor Eloise 4 Larch 4 Pine Radbod 5 Holly Connor Paris 5 Laurel 5 Sycamore Freddie 6 Ash Alisan 6 Elm Daniella 6 Hawthorn Melissa

Beech		87.89%
Maple		92.62%
1 Oak		89.78%
1 Willow		95.43%
2 Chestnut		86.63%
2 Palm		96.53%
3 Cedar		95.49%
3 Hornbeam		98.21%
3 Yew		91.22%
4 Cherry		90.68%
4 Larch		89.68%
4 Pine		88.43%
5 Holly		96.07%
5 Laurel		81.44%
5 Sycamore		92.20%
6 Ash	96.51%	
6 Elm		87.97%
6 Hawthorn		83.87%

House attendance

- **4** Balmoral 88.47%
- **3** Windsor 89.26%
- **2** Holyrood 92.68%
- 1 Sandringham 92.72%







RELIEF MEALTIME SUPERVISOR

As and When

Salary Grade A £20908 to £22435 pro rata

We are looking to recruit Relief Mealtime Supervisors on an as-and-when basis. You would need to be available to work at short notice as this role is to cover sickness and absence. This is an excellent opportunity to take your first steps back into the workplace. You must be flexible, caring, responsible and conscientious. Responsibilities include supervision in the dining hall and playground. If you want to make a difference and contribute to the personal and social education of all our children, then we would like to hear from you.

- The school is committed to safeguarding children and young people. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.
- Closing date: Monday 15 January 2021 at 12 noon
- Interview: By arrangement, candidates may be interviewed before the closing date if their application is successful

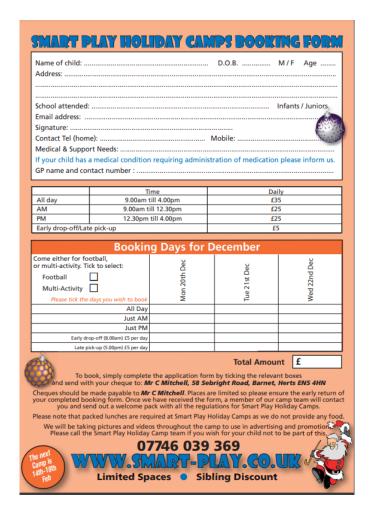
An Application pack can be downloaded from our website <u>www.underhillschool.org</u>









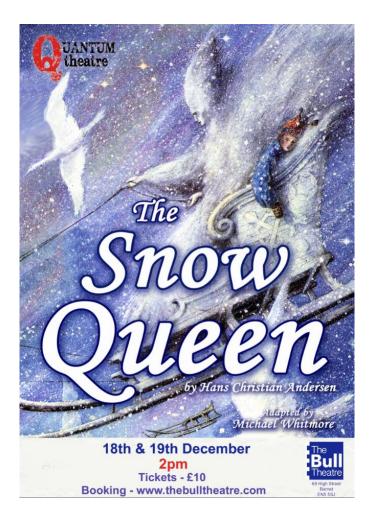












THE BULL THEATRE

Unfortunately The Bull Theatre cannot afford to put on a full panto this year but hope to in December 2022. Meanwhile please support the theatre by coming to see the lovely "Snow Queen". Running time approx 2 hours. Santa will be in his grotto at The Bull Theatre before each show. Suitable for ages 6 upwards."









Mondays Boogie mites: (change of time) 11.30am - 12.15pm (no booking required)

Monday: Baby Sensory/Messy play 1pm - 1.45 (Non Walkers) (No booking required)

Tuesday: Messy Play 0 -5 1.15 - 2pm (no bookings required)

Wednesday: Boogie mites Virtual group 9.15 - 10 book on a place text 07718648305.

Wednesday New Group: 11.30am - 12.15pm Rhyme time at Hope Corner Community Centre, Mays Lane (no booking required)

Thursdays Rhyme time: (change of time) 11.35am - 12.20pm (no booking required)

Friday: Dance, Move and Regulate 9.45 - 10.45 (No Booking required)



Welfare Rights

at Underhill School & Children's Centre

Free confidential service



Monday 10am – 12pm Fortnightly virtual sessions starting 29.11.21



Providing advice to families about welfare benefits, as well as providing other advice services. Welfare Rights Advisor can offer advice about money and can help you complete forms, appeal against decisions and apply for other benefits.

Please contact us via email: info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net Phone: 020 8449 2423 ext 206 or text 07511 273564









Would you like to improve your English speaking, reading, writing and listening skills? We will be starting ESOL - English for speakers of other languages in January 2022, Wednesday mornings 9.15am -11.15am. Please contact us at info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net or text 07511 273 564 to book your place. We are unable to offer creche facilities.

This is the link for the autumn term timetable.

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Paediatric First Aid Course

at Underhill School & Children's Centre, Mays Lane, Barnet, EN5 2LZ



- · Resuscitation procedures
- Preparing for and dealing with emergencies
- · Coping with bleeding and choking

If your child is in Nursery or Reception and you would like to gain a Paediatric First Aid Certification. Please contact us via email: info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net phone: 020 8449 2423 ext 206 or text 07511 273564



This is a 6 week course, free of charge starting January 2022.







