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Underhill News

Monday 9th November 2020

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Lunch Menu: Autumn Week 2

Head's corner

Thank you very much to all our families who have been supportive of our drive to ensure the safety of our community on the local roads at the beginning and end of the day. We are working with the local authority to ensure that all Underhill families are safe during the school drop off and pick. Please help us by parking considerately and not on the double yellow lines. This is the responsibility of the whole community.

We are in the second week of 'Neat November' and already, the children are showing us their confidence with handwriting and presentation. The improvements that have been made are already incredible; we can't even begin to imagine how excellent the books will be by the end of the month.

We can't wait to see everyone in their own clothes, supporting Children in Need on Friday. Wishing everyone a happy and safe week

Notices and News

Nursery News

This week in Nursery we are looking at the story 'A BIT LOST' which ties in with our current topic and PSED connections to family. We will be writing lots of different messages on our message table and creating our own listening ears to take outside to listen to all the noises we can hear in the outside environment. Throughout maths we will be exploring natural materials to support counting, shapes, size, weight and encourage mathematical language. Do you have a favourite Autumn story? We would love to hear your answer on Seesaw.

Reception News

We have had a lovely start back to school in Reception following the half term and have introduced our new topic about Autumn called 'Why do Squirrels hide their nuts?' We went on an Autumn walk and found an oak tree and searched for acorns, we also looked carefully for any gruffalos as this is our story of the week. We have been drawing gruffalos too and describing their features as well as making pretend Gruffalo crumble with oats. What is your favourite part of the Gruffalo story?

Children In Need

Underhill School is raising money for Children in Need! On Friday, we announced Act Your Age where we use Underhill's age to set challenges for ourselves. Over the next week, for up to 88 minutes, each child will be walking, singing, juggling, playing football, reading, skipping, building things, cleaning...you name it, all to raise money for this amazing charity. Forms have been sent out so please ask family and friends to sponsor 10p a minute to support us in making sure every child in the UK is safe, happy, and secure. Any donations can be brought into school in cash or through justgiving.com/underhill

Thank you!

Non Uniform Day

On Friday 13th November we will have a non-uniform day for Children in Need. Outfits can be inspired by any decade of Underhill's history 1930s to 2010s. Please bring in £1.

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Food Bank Vouchers

Food bank vouchers are available from Underhill School & Children's Centre. Vouchers cannot be used by another person, have no monetary value and should be used within 3 days, if possible. Food bank vouchers are available, for example, if you are experiencing benefit delays, delayed wages, low income or no recourse to public funds. If you would like more information or to receive a food bank voucher, please telephone the Children's Centre on 020 8 449 2423, Ext 206.

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 please ensure that you let us 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

English at Underhill

Last half term was a very busy one for us as we introduced the Underhill way of teaching English. We now have extended English lessons during which children take part in spelling, grammar and writing activities daily. In addition to that we also have a weekly Reading comprehension lesson to improve our comprehension skills further.

Odd Socks Day

Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week! To celebrate that we are all, we ask that you wear odd socks to school on Monday 16th November. Andy Day (Cbeebies/cbbc) and his band Andy and the Odd Socks are supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti-Bullying Week called 'The Kids Are United!' You will find the song on the Anti-Bullying Alliance website.

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way. Please bring a voluntary donation of £1 on the day to support this valuable charity.

Following on from such a successful start, this half term is Neat November. As part of this, all pupils will focus on improving their handwriting and presentation. Teachers will plan opportunities for children to make progress with their handwriting and if we observe a noticeable improvement by the end of this half term we will celebrate with a non-uniform day! Please speak to your child's class teacher if you want to support your child in improving their handwriting.

Dates for your diary

Friday 18th December Last Day of Term
Monday 4th January Staff Inset
Tuesday 5th January Children return to school



Parents/Carers can view Autumn 2020 timetable on the website

Are you looking to stop smoking, would you like support. Please contact the Children's Centre Team 020 8449 2423 or email info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net

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

Weaning Sessions - Monday 23rd November 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

Boogie Mites

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

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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Attendance

First place in our class attendance last week were 5 Holly with 99.21% - fantastic!

In second place with 98.16% were 1 Willow and third with 97.69% were Maple. Well done!

Beech	94.05%
Maple	97.69%
1 Oak	97.01%
1 Willow	98.16%
2 Chestnut	95.44%
2 Palm	95.45%
3 Cedar	89.54%
3 Hornbeam	95.61%
3 Yew	93.97%
4 Cherry	94.85%
4 Larch	97.54%
4 Pine	94.07%
5 Holly	99.21%
5 Laurel	97.44%
5 Sycamore	90.68%
6 Elm	90.55%
6 Hawthorn	93.63%
Total	94.80%

Houses

Balmoral	91.22%
Holyrood	95.19%
Sandringham	96.61%
Windsor	96.03%

Star of the Week

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

Conker am	Amin
Conker pm	Victoria
Beech	Maia-Rose
Maple	Maya
1 Oak	Noah
1 Willow	Nefeli
2 Chestnut	Joshua
2 Palm	Warren
3 Cedar	Skyla
3 Hornbeam	Jayden
3 Yew	Ruma
4 Cherry	Bethan
4 Larch	Destiny & Rebecca
4 Pine	Ayesha
5 Holly	Poppie
5 Laurel	Archie
5 Sycamore	Jay
6 Elm	Armani
6 Hawthorn	Arwen

