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Half Term!

This half Term seems to have flown past and it is hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of October.

All the new staff and children have settled well into school and progress made this term has been very encouraging.

We say a sad farewell to Mrs Currant who has been at Camps Hill for three years. Mrs Currant has made a strong contribution to the school during her time as a member of the Senior Leadership Issue No: 3



Team and more recently as acting Deputy Head. Mrs Currant will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up a Deputy Head post at another local school. We congratulate her on her appointment and wish her every success in her career.

We are very pleased to inform you that we have successfully

appointed another Deputy Head last week. Mrs Zoe Hussain will be joining Camps Hill in January 2011. She comes to us with a wide range of experience. Mrs Hussain is already a part time Deputy Head and a consultant for beaviour and PSHCE across schools in Redbridge. We all look forward to Mrs Hussain bringing her expertise and joining the Camps Hill team in January.

In January we will be arranging a coffee morning for you to come and meet Mrs Hussain and the leadership team.

Attendance!

Following a recent review with the Attendance Improvement Officer it has been noted that there are a few occasions when children are kept off school when they are not unwell themselves (e.g. sibling / parent is ill), this

is not acceptable and provision should be made to ensure that your child is in school.

All such absences will be unauthorised.

Many thanks to those parent who do keep us informed of their child's absence, as a reminder you should contact the school office by telephone before 9.30am on the day of absence where a reason must be given.

Lunchtimes.

The organisation for lunchtimes is being altered to make a guieter more socialable environment for the children. We want to concentrate on improving table manners and the noise level. Please can we ask you to talk to your children about not talking with their mouths full, using a knife and fork correctly and taking time to finish their lunch. Children are rushing and food is being wasted.

It is important that children sit properly and eat all their lunch.

After half term we will be running some trials to improve this currant system. We will let you know how these go.

If you send your child with a packed lunch please can you

make sure it is healthy no sweets, ;chocolates and crisps should be limited. Thank you.



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ParentMail

- Do you have an e-mail address?
 If so, please let the school office know as we are moving towards
- becoming a paper free school with all information being sent to
- parents via e-mail.

Christmas Cards

- The last date for returning your child's Art work along with payment is Wednesday 3rd Novem-
- ber.



- We hope the year 4 have enjoyed their first half term swimming! Please note that pay-
- ming! Please note that payment is still required whether your child swims or not.



Payments should be put in an envelope marked 'swimming' with your child's name and class clearly marked.

Dinner Money

- As with all money that comes into the school please ensure that dinner money is sent in via your child in a named envelope.
- Are you eligible for Free School Meals? If you think you are please contact 01438 737370, your child does not need to be
 - your child does not need to be having school dinner every day

to apply. The school receives extra funding for children on Free School Meals. If you would like to know more please contact the school office.

New Dinner Menu

These have been sent home with the children and can also be viewed on the Hertfordshire Catering website http://www.hertsdirect.org/scholearn/atschool/meals/food/primary. We return on week one of the menu.



We still have places available for the new half term, please see the school office for details.



INSET day 22nd October. School returns after half

Term on 1st November.

Have a good Half Term