



# April 2022 Newsletter



We hope that all of our children and families had a safe and enjoyable Easter break.

Don't forget to read page 3 to find out more about another school in PHMAT.

## Attendance and Lates

Sadly, our whole school attendance and late figures are not as good as they should be:

**Current Attendance = 93.53%** (National Average = 96%)

Remember that gates **close promptly at 8:45am** and any children coming to school after this time receive a late mark in the register.

**Punctuality is extremely important**, please bear in mind that if your child is:

**5 minutes late every day they lose 3.4 days education a year**

**10 minutes late every day they lose 6.9 days education a year**

**15 minutes late every day they lose 10.3 days education a year.**

## House Points Winner

Congratulations to all of the children in Water, for winning the school house points competition last half term.



## 100% Attendance

Congratulations to all of the children who achieved 100% attendance last term. All children with 100% attendance received a certificate, pencil, bronze 100% badge and a £5 gift voucher.

In addition to these awards, all children with 100% attendance were put into a prize drawer to win an Amazon Fire 7 Tablet with the winner coming from our Year 6 class.

Well done to all of the children, another Amazon Fire tablet is available to win for those who have 100% attendance during the Summer Term!



## School Uniform

Please remember that **trainers are not part of school uniform** and all children should come to school wearing suitable school shoes.

### Girls

Cardigan/Jumper – Royal Blue

Pinafore – Grey

Skirt/Trousers – Grey or black

Blouse/Polo Shirt – Light Blue

Shoes – Low heeled, black (**No Trainers**)

Socks/tights – Black/Grey/ White

### Boys

Jumper– Royal Blue

Polo Shirt – Light blue

Trousers – Grey or black

Shoes – Black (**No Trainers**)

Socks – Black/Grey/ White

## Important Dates

**2nd May** - Bank Holiday

**9th - 12th May** - Year 6 SATs Week

**13th May** - Wellbeing Friday

**17th May** - Year 1 UK Day

**18th May** - Year 6 Natural History Museum Online Workshop

**18th May** - Year 6 Crazy Courses Workshop

**23rd - 27th May** - Science Week

**30th May - 3rd June** - Half Term



## Big Venture Community Shop

The Big Venture Centre has opened their own shop, with products being sold for substantially less than in supermarkets.

The shop is open Monday - Thursday, 9:30am - 2:00pm

Offering fresh produce, toiletries, meat, vegetables and cupboard items.

Memberships is £5 a year allowing you to shop there up to four times a week.

To sign up please visit the Big Venture, complete an application form and pay your £5. First shop up to the value of £5 free!



## Year 6 SATs Week

As you will be aware, the Year 6 SATs take place during the week beginning the 9th May 2022.

The test week will run as follows:

Monday	Spelling Grammar and Punctuation (45 minutes) Spellings (15 minutes)
Tuesday	Reading (1 hour)
Wednesday	Arithmetic (30 minutes) Maths Reasoning Paper A (40 minutes)
Thursday	Maths Reasoning Paper B (40 minutes)

All tests will be in the morning starting just after 9am, so it is essential that all children are present and on time every day.

Please ensure your child has plenty of sleep and make sure that children who need glasses have them in school.

## Other Wider Curriculum Activities this month

Head Boy and Girl Awards for History and DT

**Year 5 'Why University?' Workshop**

Year 3 Anglo-Saxon and Beowulf Workshop

**Year 1 Visit to Northcote Farm**

Easter Story focus in RE (Christianity)

**Vaisakhi Celebration Day (Sikhism)**

100% Attendance Awards

**Most Improved Attendance Awards**

Easter Raffles

**Star of the Term Awards**

Year 4 Maths Quiz at WHGS

## Special Mention

Congratulations to the Year 4 children who attended the Maths Challenge at Wolverhampton Girls' High School for representing the school so well.

## Pre-loved Uniform

Berrybrook are going to launch a 'Pre-Loved Uniform' Shop. This has been extremely successful at other schools, with parents donating old uniform to the school and then school selling them at a low price. Once school has received uniform donations, we will inform parents of prices and times that items are available for purchase.

**We would ask that parents and donate any school jumpers/ cardigans, school trousers/ skirts, school polo shirts and school PE polo shirts ready to be resold.** All proceeds will go back into purchasing resources to support your children's education.

In the parent survey, parents and carers expressed their wishes to find out more about other schools in PHMAT. Continue reading to find out more about Dunstall Hill Primary School in Wolverhampton.



## Dunstall Hill Primary School, Wolverhampton

Dunstall Hill Primary School aims to provide all of their children with a positive, safe and caring environment in which they can flourish and learn in order to prepare them for the journey of life ahead.

Dunstall Hill delivers their curriculum through an imaginative range of activities, giving their children extensive experiences, along with the confidence and independence to apply their skills in real life.



### School of Sanctuary

Dunstall Hill is extremely proud to be an official 'School of Sanctuary'.

**What is a School of Sanctuary?** It is a school that is committed to being a safe and welcoming place for those seeking sanctuary. It is a space for those whose lives were in danger in their own country, who have troubles at home or are just looking for a space where they can feel safe.

Schools of Sanctuary help pupils, staff and the wider community understand what it means to be seeking sanctuary, extend a welcome to everyone as equal, valued members of the school community and are a school that is proud to be a place of safety and inclusion for all.

As part of our School of Sanctuary initiative Dunstall Hill aims to:

- Promote positive attitudes within schools and their communities around people seeking sanctuary
- Support schools to take positive steps and to be proud of being places of safety and inclusion for all
- Recognise and celebrate schools that are committed to welcoming and supporting people seeking sanctuary.



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