

Coopersale Hall School

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Dear Parents

Re: July 2022 Headmistress's Letter

We have come to the close of another successful year at Coopersale Hall School, and I hope, like me, you have enjoyed the many events in which we have shared the pupils' achievements over the course of this year.

Sports Day just over two weeks ago was excellent. Our pupils showcased their sporting talents, their team spirit and their support for each other.

The Early Years Celebration of the Year was lovely. We celebrated the progress and achievements of all the children in Kindergarten and Reception. We heard about their highlights of the year and we presented each child with a certificate to acknowledge their particular progress this year. They entertained us beautifully with songs, some lovely props and actions.

We also had the annual highlight of Prize Giving last Tuesday. As I said that afternoon, I am immensely proud of the pupils; their service to the school, their positive attitudes to learning, their community spirit and the respect they show each other and the staff. I feel privileged to have seen their development and progress year on year. Of course, it was lovely to award prizes, but my hope is that each pupil knows they are valued and understands that we recognise the progress and celebrate the progress each is making.

My thanks to FOCHS for all their hard work this year. The families and children really enjoyed the Summer Fest. Thank you for continuing to look for ways to add even more value to the experience the children have in school already.

Wednesday 6 July – Last Day of Term

As usual, the school will close at 12 noon for all pupils on the last day of term, following a whole school assembly when certificates will be presented and we will reflect on the year. All belongings must be taken home.

Collection times for the last day of term are: Lower Kindergarten, Upper Kindergarten and Reception: 11:30am Year 1 and Year 2: 11:45am Year 3 to Year 6: 12:00pm Please collect your youngest child first, the older siblings will be sent to that class for you to collect them together.

End of Term Reports

Reports will be published on Tuesday 5 July. You will receive a text message to confirm when the report will be live on your child's portal. We hope you find them informative and helpful. All pupils will have progress targets on which to build next year.

Staffing

As you know, we have some staff changes September, and some members of staff take on new responsibilities next year. I excited to announce that Mrs Bull will join the Senior Leadership Team in September as Assistant Head. Mrs Bull has been a highly valued member of staff in the Oak-Tree Group for 20 years. She brings to the Leadership Team much experience and a drive to continue to move the school forward. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her. Mrs Zylstra will be leading the development of Maths curriculum in school as our new Head of Maths. Mrs Zylstra's classes this year have benefitted greatly from her love and knowledge of this subject. She has a wealth of experience in the teaching and development of Maths in schools, as well as being an experienced marker of the national tests at the end of Year 6.

Miss Gilbert will be leading the development of English in school as our new Head of English. Miss Gilbert has a real passion for the English curriculum and for promoting the development of English and literacy skills. She is a strong advocate for reading, and is already planning some exciting opportunities for pupils next year to develop and celebrate reading in school.

Both Mrs Zylstra and Miss Gilbert will be leading parent workshops early in September to help parents to support your child's learning at home. Congratulations to both teachers.

Next year we will be looking at raising the profile of the Houses in school. We have therefore appointed four new Heads of Houses; Mrs Biddle, Mrs Graves, Miss Gilbert and Mrs Hogarth. These are new roles in school and I will be working closely with the members of staff to have more house competitions, house assemblies, house songs and to support our children pastorally through their House. The four members of staff will be working with our pupil Heads of Houses to establish a new culture within each house. This is an exciting time for our staff and the young leaders to build something new in school. Congratulations to Ruby, Maxwell, Daniel and Florence who will be working closely with all the children in their houses.

Oak-Tree Fireworks

The Oak-Tree Firework Display is booked for Sunday 13 November 2022. Please put the date in your diaries and join us for this enjoyable family event. Mr Hagger will be writing to parents in September with further details.

Oak-Tree Ball 2023

The Oak-Tree Ball will now take place on Saturday 17 June 2023. The Ball is a very special evening with many highlights; do save the date so that you are able to join us. Mr Hagger will write with further information next term.

Forthcoming Events

Monday 4 July	
NO CLUBS THIS WEEK ALL FINISHED EXCEPT FOR:	
Golf	3.30pm-5pm
Violin Lessons	During the day
Singing Lessons	During the day
Year 3 Parents Camp Meeting	3.30pm-4pm
Tuesday 5 July	
Year 1 Trip to Leigh on Sea	AM/PM
Years 3 to 6 By Invitation – Rounder's Tournament, Love Lane, Ongar	9am-12.30pm
Wednesday 6 July	
LAST DAY OF TERM	
Finishing Times	
Early Years	11.30am
Years 1and Year 2	11.45am
Year 3 to Year 6	12.00pm

Monday 5 September FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM 2022 ALL CLUBS START THIS WEEK

Monday 12 September Year 5 Parents Meeting – Selecting a Secondary School Reception Parents Read Write Inc Workshop	8.45am-9.30am 8.45am
Tuesday 13 September Year 1 Parents Workshop - How to support your child in Year 1	8.45am-9.30am
Thursday 15 September Year 3 Camp @ Oaklands School	AM/PM
Friday 16 September Year 3 Camp @Oaklands School	AM/PM
Friday 23 September Years 1 and Year 2 Parents Workshop – Maths	8.45am-9.15am
Monday 26 September Early Years Parents Drop in Morning	8am-8.30am
Tuesday 27 September Years 1 and Year 2 Parents Drop in Morning	
Wednesday 28 September Year 3 to Year 6 Parents Drop in Morning	
Friday 30 September Year 3 to Year 6 Parents Workshop – English	8.45am-9.15am
Tuesday 4 October All Parents Welcome – Open Morning	9am-12
Thursday 20 October Reception to Year 6 - Flu Immunisations	1pm-3pm
HALF TERM HOLIDAYS Monday 24 October – Friday 4 November	

Monday 7 November Back to school

Final Thoughts

I wish all the staff who are moving on to new positions or retiring the very best of luck and thank you for all your hard work over the years.

To all those parents whose children are leaving Coopersale Hall this July, I wish you and your children the very best for the future. As another school year draws to its close, I hope you all have a restful summer break and are able to enjoy time with family and friends. Thank you for all your support this year and for the many positive comments, letters and emails I have received. It continues to be both a privilege and a joy to lead the school and to see the many ways in which your children are developing and achieving.

The New Term in September

All other classes return for the new term on Monday 5 September at the normal times for an 8.40am start.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions you wish to discuss, please contact your child's class teacher or telephone/email the school office to arrange an appointment with me or a member of the leadership team.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

Moreen Barnard Headmistress



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