

# **Coopersale Hall School**

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**Dear Parents** 

# Re: Headmistress's Letter

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

# Moving Up Day

The annual 'Moving Up Day' will take place on Thursday 6 July for the whole school, including our new Year 7 pupils. They will spend the day with their new class teachers and new pupils who will be joining Coopersale Hall in September. All parents should arrive at 2.30pm on the terrace lawn, to meet their child's new teacher. If it rains, we will move into the hall. Children who will be leaving at the end of the academic year will have a fun filled day with Mrs Carter, Miss Curl and Mrs Jones. Please refer to the Moving Up Day letter that was sent out on the 20 June, for more information.

### **Summer Fest**

Our Summer Fest is taking place on Friday 7 July. This is a fantastic day organised by FOCHS which runs from 11.30am to 4pm. All parents, families and friends are welcome. Children will be performing to our families from 11.30am for about 30 minutes. FOCHS has been very busy organising inflatables and other exciting activities for your children to enjoy. A BBQ van will also join us on the day to provide food for our families. Your children will receive a packed lunch from the kitchen. Like last year, we will have a bar available for your convenience. FOCHS will send out the final details in due course. Please refer to the Summer Fest letter that was sent out on 21 June, for more information.

# **Pre-worn Uniform**

We are very grateful that FOCHS organise a number of pre-worn uniform sales throughout the year. We wanted to remind parents that FOCHS have lots of good quality pre-worn uniform available. If you are looking for items with the school logo on them, please complete the online form. FOCHS is keen to support parents and provide sustainable uniforms as part of their group aims.

# FOCHS

FOCHS has continued to contribute significantly to school life this year and I want to thank the group of parents who volunteer their time to enhance the experiences your children have in school. We are fortunate to have an excellent group of adults always looking for new ways to contribute. FOCHS has made the following contributions this year:

- Pantos during the Autumn Term
- A visit from Santa and the set up of the grotto
- Easter Animals visiting the school in the Spring Term
- Discos for year groups after school
- Meeting with our School Council to negotiate and buy various playground toys
- Organising the Summer Fest
- Providing leavers hoodies for our Year 6 children

# **End of Term Reports**

Reports will be published on Monday 10 July for all parents to download from the portal. We hope you find them informative and helpful. All pupils have progress targets on which to build next year.

#### Uniform

You will see on the updated 2023/23 uniform lists on our website that we have introduced an optional 'trouser' uniform from the Autumn Term for girls in Year 3 upwards. Trousers must be regulation style from Forest Casualwear, and should be worn with a shirt and tie (and jumper/cardigan if required). This follows requests at the four Oak-Tree Schools and will be reviewed at the end of the academic year.

#### Wellbeing and Learning Ideas for the Summer Holidays

Everyone has worked very hard this year in school and deserves to have time away from screens and school work over the summer. However, if families are looking for some optional activities to support their children's wellbeing or to provide some consolidation and enrichment over the summer break, the Government has provided some useful resources for families to access:

- For children in Kindergarten or Reception: <u>https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/#3</u>
- For children in Year 1 Year 6: <u>https://www.thenational.academy/enrichment</u>

#### **Online Safety**

As the holidays approach, we are reminding pupils across the school about online safety. It is also important to remind parents to check firewalls, and permissions on mobile devices to ensure pupils are able to stay safe. The Safer Internet Centre has some helpful tips for parents. The link is: <u>https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers</u> There are also many up-to-date resources on our website.

#### **Lost Property**

Any items left in school after the end of term will be collected up by the caretakers and put into black sacks. We will attempt to return named items to pupils in September but if items are not reclaimed at the start of term, they will be recycled or donated to the Coopersale Hall School Parents' Association.

#### **Information for Parents**

Parents will be receiving the updated Parents' Handbook towards the end of the summer holiday, ready for the start of term in September. Parents will also receive a copy of their child's timetable for the new year.

#### **Oak-Tree Fireworks**

The Oak-Tree Firework Display is booked for Sunday 5 November 2023, which is the final day before we return to school from the October half term. Please do 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.

#### **Complaints**

As you are aware, we have an open door policy throughout the school and we make every effort to respond quickly to any queries or concerns you may have. I thought you might like to know that over the course of the last academic year we had four formal complaints that were resolved quickly and to the satisfaction of all parties. Any informal concerns were also resolved quickly.

#### Wednesday 12 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.

Please collect your youngest child first, the older siblings will be sent to that class for you to collect them together.

DATES LIST	1.30-2.30pm	Early Years Celebration of the Year	Upper Kindergarten &
Tuesday 4 July		Marquee - All Parents Welcome	Reception
	4-6pm	Speech Day & Prize Giving Marquee - All Parents Welcome Letter sent 26.6.23	Years 1 to 6

Thursday 6 July	9-3pm	Moving Up Day Letter sent 20.6.23	Whole School				
Friday 7 July	11.30-4pm	Coopersale Hall Summer Fest All Parents Welcome - Letter sent 21.6.23 NO FOOTBALL CLUB with Mr Barham	Whole School Years 1 & 2				
All CLUBS FINISH THIS WEEK WITH EXCEPTIONS - SEE BELOW							
Monday 10 July	Athletics - Cookery - Golf - Guitar - Humanities - Lego - Monday Spanish - Poetry/Performance - Violin - Yoga - <b>ALL TAKING PLACE TODAY</b>						
	8.40am	Leavers Assembly - Parents Welcome	Year 6				

		Reports Published Today	Whole School
Tuesday 11 July	AM/PM	Historical Person Dressing Up Day £1 Donation for Shelter Box Letter sent 19.6.23	Whole School
Wednesday 12 July	11.15am 11.30am 11.45am 12Noon	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM 2023 – FINISHING TIMES Year 6 Lower Kindergarten - Upper Kindergarten - Reception Years 1 & 2 Years 3 to 5	

# Wishing all of our families a very happy and safe Summer holiday – we look forward to seeing you back again on Wednesday 6 September 2023

# ALL CLUBS START WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2023

# **Final Thoughts**

To all those parents whose children are leaving Coopersale Hall School 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.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

Moreen Barnard Headmistress



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