

Helmingham Community

Primary School

Headteacher – Mrs Bernie Cleland Newsletter 3 –
January 2018



Dear Parents & Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back for the spring term.

It already seems a long time ago but I hope you enjoyed the Christmas shows at the end of term. I know the children enjoyed them and by the end of term everyone was singing the songs in their sleep!

I would like to say thank you for all your support last term at events and please keep a look out for the next charity event and Friends events.

Just a reminder about the **Severe Weather arrangements**. If we have to close the school the information will be put on our website and broadcast on local radio stations.

Bernie Cleland

School Improvement

Drama Club

This term we are again working with the Wolsey Theatre to offer a drama club.

This starts on Monday 8 January. There are still places so please contact the office if you are interested. This club culminates in a performance to parents.



This term our focus is on making sure we are making the best use of our learning time. There have been changes in classroom organisation and strategies being used in the classroom. Your child/ren may tell you about these.

We are also turning up the heat on the children finishing their work!

They may complain they had to finish something in break or you may see work being sent home for completion. There will always be a reason for this.



There will be an **assessment update** session. This will go through the statutory assessments that are completed for Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6. There will be a chance to see what test papers look like, find out what the expectations are, how teacher assessment works and what the results mean. *Watch out for the date.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of staff and with home and school working together we can ensure that your child achieves their full potential.

Your ideas are always welcome. Just speak to member of staff, drop us a note or email.



Dates for your diary.....

Spring Term 2018

January 2017

- Thurs 4 Children return
Thurs 25 Governors meeting
Wed 31 Quicksticks hockey tournament

February

- Thurs 8 Sun celebration assembly 9.10am
Thurs 22 Moon celebration assembly 9.10am
12—16 Half term

March

- Fri 2 Reports out for years 1-6
Tues 6 Parents evening
Wed 7 Parents evening
Tag rugby tournament
Thurs 8 Stars celebration assembly 9.10am
Tues 13 Year 6 DHS liaison morning
Thurs 22 Governors meeting
Thurs 29 End of term

TERM DATES 2018—19

Autumn Term

Wednesday 5 September 2018 — Wednesday 19 December 2018

(Half Term—Monday 22 to Friday 26 October)

Spring Term

Wednesday 2 January 2019—Thursday 4 April 2019

(Half Term—Monday 18 to Friday 22 February)

Summer Term

Tuesday 23 April 2019 —Wednesday 24 July 2019

(Half Term—Monday 27—31 May)

Staff Training Days (no children)

5 and 6 September 2018

29 October 2018

2 January 2019

5 April 2019



Free School Meals

Don't forget that all children in Years R, 1 and 2 are



now entitled to Free School Meals, regardless of your financial situation.

You do not need to do anything to register. They just need to order their lunch as normal. If you are in receipt of certain benefits you may be entitled to free school meals, whichever year group your child is in. Please see Mrs Thomas for details.

Certificate update

Bronze House Point Certificates

Samuel Leech, Nevaeh Morgan, Charley Chittock, Grace Jackson, Lizzie

Styles, Maddy Mulvaney, Tyler Boye, Jo Frosdick, Gracie Light, Amelie McCulloch, Amelie Peek, Mia Irvine, Elizabeth Tournay-Godfrey, Olive Rodriguez, Millie Styles, Ashleigh Irvine,

William Styles, Harriet O'Halloran, Ethan Chittock, Freddie McLennan, Sophie McLennan, Tomos Harries, Jared Reeve, Alice Rutland, Alex Chattell, Gethin Harries, Hannah Reynolds, Ethan Lewin, Kyran Lewin and Oliver Leech



Silver House Point Certificates

Sophie McLennan and Alice Rutland

5Rs Awards

Responsibility—Seb Barker, Amelie McCulloch, Maddy Mulvaney, Jared Reeve, William Styles, Nevaeh Morgan, Football team, Freddie McLennan and Daniel Marshall

Relationships— Freddie McLennan, Tomos Harries, Alice Rutland, Max Deeley, Lillian Wilcox, Ashleigh Irvine, Ella Reid

Respect—Lyle Care, Danny Light,

Resilience—Grace Jackson