



It has been a fantastic week at Highampton Primary School. Firstly, we have had 100% attendance every day, so thank you for this. Secondly, the children have been engaged brilliantly with their learning. Please see Class 1 and Class 2 Curriculums for further details on the subjects that will be covered this term.

Parent consultations are being held next week (Wed & Thursday). Due to Covid-19, we are only having one family at a time for each teacher with cleaning of chairs in between appointments. We are not able to have a waiting area on site, so we will have to adhere to strict punctuality. I look forward to seeing you all.

Please, if you have them, could children in Class 2 bring ear-bud speakers into school as it is more hygienic regarding Covid-19 measures.

## CHILDREN'S ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Last week, Class 2 applied and interviewed for a selection of classroom roles of responsibility. Miss Balsdon and Ms Floyd were pleased with the level of professionalism displayed by the children, which made it very hard for them to select successful candidates. We would urge those who were not successful in this round of recruitment to apply again in the new term when we reallocate the roles. Please see the following list of new recruits:

Shed monitors:	Aiden, Lauren, Summer
Book distributors:	Lilly, Maisy
Resource distributor:	Ruben
Library monitors:	Shannon, Brooklyn
Register monitor:	Evie May
Classroom inspector:	Naomi

## PTFA VIRTUAL MEETING

We are holding a PTFA meeting via Zoom on 6<sup>th</sup> October from 1600hrs (4pm). This will be an opportunity to discuss whole school issues and arrange events for the school and community.

Please let the school know if you like an invitation to join the virtual meeting.

## COVID-19

Recently we sent parents a poster (by email) issued by Devon County Council providing some guidance for parents when deciding what to do about illness/potential Covid-19 symptoms.

Attached please find a letter from the NHS underlining some of the same issues.

If you have any worries about illness, it is better to be careful and keep your child at home until their symptoms are clearer, as flu and other common illnesses can share similar symptoms with Covid-19.

## Dates for the Diary

### Parent Meetings

30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October



### Term 2

We will be welcoming a specialist PE teacher who is part of the Dartmoor MAT family.



### Term 3

A specialist music teacher (also part of the Dartmoor MAT family) will be visiting the school on a regular basis.

### DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP

Thank you to everyone for helping to ensure social distancing at these times.

**PARENTAL CONSENTS:** On an annual basis we usually ask parents to confirm their parental consents regarding emergency first aid, use of photographs/images etc. This year, you can use PARENT SIMS LITE or if you haven't signed up to this yet, you can use the attached form. It is important that the school is aware of your wishes, so please fill in the form (or amend the information on Parents Lite) and send it back to school as soon as possible. New parents have already done this exercise and don't need to update the records unless your wishes have changed. The form will not be reissued in future, but parents can change their consent at any time via SIMS LITE or by telling the school in writing.

## Parent Evenings

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September & Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October

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Please make sure you have made an appointment to see your child's teacher. There are some limited places left on both days for either class.

We think it is very important for parents to take this chance to speak to teachers especially as Covid-19 limits the number opportunities we all get to talk together.



Highampton Primary School would like to say a massive thank you to the P.T.F.A. for giving us £500 towards our library. Everyone at Highampton Primary School is passionate about the effects that regular reading can have on all children and are thrilled to be able to offer even more wonderful books for the pupils to get excited about. With the money, we have been able to purchase a range of books to grip all types of readers, these include: Star Wars, Dog Man, Alex Rider, Horrible Histories, Jaqueline Wilson, Haynes Manual's and many, many more. We have already seen them flying off the shelves. *THANK YOU!*