

Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick



9.9.22

Dear Families

Welcome back to a brand new school year! It has been wonderful to welcome the children, both old and new, to our school this week. We hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday and spent precious time making the most of our beautiful county and the wonderful weather that we've had.

Thank you very much for preparing the children too - they are looking so very smart in their uniforms and have come back with their usual super positive attitudes of ready to learn and to make the most of every moment. It was also wonderful to have perfect attendance on Wednesday – 100% of our children were in school, and in school on time too. Please help us to support every child's learning by sending your child into school regularly and on time – the gate closes at 8:45 am, when the registers are taken. Thank you.

We would like to invite you into school on **Thursday 15th September from 3:00pm to 3:30pm**. This will simply be an opportunity to see your child's new classroom and meet their teacher. Just come into the classroom through their external classroom door.

Celebrations and Behaviour

We have updated our School Rules and our Managing and Supporting Positive Behaviour Policy. The policy can be found on our website - **Mount Hawke Academy Policies**. We have spent time as a staff working through this and our rules have been simplified into three – Ready, Respectful, Safe. With the children, we are spending time exploring what these mean. Some examples are below:

Ready	Respectful	Safe
We are ready to learn.	We listen when others speak.	We keep our hands, feet and unkind words to
We arrive at school on time.	We discuss things calmly.	ourselves.
We have the correct uniform and PE kit.	We respect the property of our friends and our school.	We move around school in a safe mannerwalking, keeping to one side, holding
We have our equipment ready.	We respect the world environment.	doors open.
		We follow instructions.
We show that we are	We respect that other	
listening and are ready to try our very best.	people have different ideas, beliefs, backgrounds and	We use equipment safely.
	needs from our own.	We make safe choices with
We have a healthy snack		our friends.
and water.	We respect the law and	
	the rules of school and	We stay safe online and
	society.	make safe choices in our community.
	We are kind and helpful.	

Our School Rules – Ready, Respectful, Safe

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Our use of certificates, Praise Postcards, Superstar and Celebration Assemblies remain unchanged, and we are moving to working with our children on developing more awareness of intrinsic motivation – wanting to do well for the satisfaction and pride it brings, rather than simply for an adult given reward.

This morning in assembly we have talked about the death of Queen Elizabeth II and reflected on the celebrations we enjoyed in the summer to mark the Platinum Jubilee. We will continue to talk about this in a child centred way and consider how the country will mark the succession.



Phonics and Reading

For children in Reception, Year One and Year Two, we continue with our phonics scheme called Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised. Teachers will be letting you know more about this as we settle back into school, and we will be holding an information session for parents soon. There is also a lot more information on our website, so please do have a look by clicking on this link - <u>Phonics Information</u>

Nut Allergies

Please remember that we are a nut free school. We have children in our school who are allergic to nuts. For people with a nut allergy, contact with any trace of nuts on the skin causes severe swelling. Inhalation or ingestion of nuts causes anaphylactic shock, a life-threatening reaction that can be fatal if not treated immediately with injected adrenaline. Please do not send your children into school with any foods that contain nuts.

Safer Schools

Drop off and pick up can be a very congested time. Help us to keep everyone safe, and to keep the traffic flowing...use the school bus if eligible (apply here if you think you may be <u>Application for Home to</u> <u>School Transport - Cornwall Council</u>), drop and stroll (let's keep Rodda's Road car free for this), use our Drop Off Zone. The less cars we have in the school vicinity, the safer it is for everyone. Thank you.

PE Kits and Coats!

Thank you for sending the children in wearing their PE kits on PE days. Your child's teacher should have let you know now which days these are. Please don't ever worry if you forget or get the days muddled. We can always sort these things out. We also like to spend time outside, so please do make sure that children bring a coat every day.

Yoga Club

Yoga Club starts back in the Microhall on Thursday 15th September: KS1 pupils from 3-4pm and KS2 from 4-5pm. Cost is £50 for the term. Yoga is a fun way to build strength and flexibility while learning how to relax and take good care of ourselves! For more information or to book a place, please contact Dawn Howarth at dawn@mindfulkidscornwall.co.uk / 07881 694393.

Communications

Remember to use the email <u>hello@mounthawke.org</u> or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend.

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Dates

Term Dates Autumn Term Half Term	Wednesday 7 th September to Friday 16 th December Monday 24 th October to Friday 28 th October
Spring Term	Wednesday 4 th January to Friday 31 st March
Half Term	Monday 13 th February to Friday 17 th February
Summer Term	Monday 17 th April to Tuesday 25 th July
Half Term	Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May

Training Days for 2022-2023

The additional closure days for staff training for 2022-2023 are:

- 5th September 2022
- 6th September 2022
- 21st October 2022
- 3rd January 2023
- 10th February 2023

Autumn Term

Visit the Classroom Parent Consultation Evenings Christmas Performances Thursday 15th September from 3:00pm to 3:30pm Monday 17th October – Thursday 20th October Week commencing Monday 5th December

Please remember that our end of school time will be 3:15pm from 4th January 2023.

