



# South Hiendley Primary School

"Everyone Equal, Everyone Happy"

## NEWSLETTER (5.9.18)

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A very warm welcome back to the new academic year at South Hiendley Primary School. Welcome also to our new pupils and families within school. We do hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer break and we look forward to working with you throughout this academic year.

**Welcome meetings:** The children have all made a positive start and are settling well into their new classes. As explained in the letter which was sent out in July, welcome meetings are being held for parents / carers and children in Years 1 to 6, within the first two weeks of term, when the teachers will share useful information, to help your child to get off to the best possible start.

**Dates & Organisation:** A copy of the 2018-19 School Calendar has been sent home. The Dates and Events sheet will be sent home soon. You will be made aware of any changes or additional dates and events throughout the year via newsletters, letters, Facebook and Tucasi. Each family will receive a 2018-19 school prospectus shortly. Useful information can also be found on our website at [www.southhiendley.wakefield.sch.uk](http://www.southhiendley.wakefield.sch.uk)



**Breakfast Club number: 07470257872**  
Please continue to use the booking forms, available from the office for Breakfast Club bookings. Please text the above number for any unavoidable cancellations or last minute bookings for Breakfast Club. Thank you

**After school clubs** for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 will start week beginning 17.9.18.

Following parental feedback, we will now be inviting parents / carers to our weekly Celebration Assemblies at 9.10am. You are also invited to stay for refreshments afterwards in the Multi-Purpose room.

**School Attendance Matters:** Thank you to all the parents / carers who continually ensure that their children have good attendance. Good attendance has a positive impact on children's learning, academic outcomes, social development and well-being.

The attendance for last academic year was **94.82%**, which unfortunately fell below our school attendance target of 96.5%. In 2018-19 the school will continue to work with parents / carers if children's attendance falls below 95%. The Education Welfare Officer will become involved if your child's attendance falls below 90%. The school attendance target for 2018-19 remains at **96.5%**. We ask that you avoid term time holidays and have set Inset Days either side of October half term and an extended two week holiday next May (Spring Bank), which we hope many families will take advantage of and book family holidays when prices are lower. We also wish to remind you that children should attend school every day unless they are ill and that routine medical appointments (eg dentist and opticians) should be made outside of the school day. Thank you for your support.

**PTA:** Thank you to our PTA members for all their hard work in 2017-18. Their fundraising has helped the school to buy an interactive board for the Year 1 classroom, which was installed during the summer holiday.

**Timetable change:** We have introduced a new timetable for 2018-19, with lunchtime being at the slightly later time of 12.15pm:  
**8.55am - 12.15pm: morning session**  
**12.15-1.15pm: lunchtime (Reception to Year 6)**  
**1.15-3.15pm: afternoon session**

Please note, the Early Years Unit doors will continue to be opened at 8.45am and the Nursery session will finish at 11.45am.