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NEWSLETTER

Welcome back everyone after the
Half Term Break

We hope you had an enjoyable time

Yr4/5 Conover Hall School Journey October 2017

We would like to thank all the parents who attended the Information Meeting on Wednesday 7th June. We hope you found it helpful in taking a decision as to whether you would like your child to take part or not. We are very aware that the increase in cost of the trip will be an important factor for most parents and we would like to clarify that you will be able to spread payments in smaller instalments over a 15 week period. The full charge is £236 and the subsidised charge for FSM/PPG children is £118. If you received childcare vouchers please contact us to see whether you can use them towards the cost.

If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals please apply for them. It will make a great deal of difference to the cost of the trip for your child.

[Apply for Free School Meals](#)

Please remember to hand in your completed consent and agreement form by Monday 12th June 2017 at the latest. Please note that if we do not receive at least 30 consent forms this trip may have to be cancelled. This would be a real shame as the school actually receives a capped charge from Conover Hall for our loyalty.

Library and Books

In our ongoing effort to ensure that all children become fluent readers and are able to access lots

of fabulous books in school, we have invested in a new Library Monitoring System. It works like a normal library, where children log books out and log them back in via a computerised system. This helps us monitor the flow of books being borrowed and returned by individual children.

Last year we spent around £8000 on resources for the school library and the expectation is that every child loaning a book from the library will enjoy reading it, will look after it and will return it in good condition for the next child to read.

A flat rate of **£5 per book** will be charged for each lost or damaged book. You will be informed if your child fails to return their loaned book or it is returned damaged. The charge will appear on your child's ParentPay Account. We ask you to join us in emphasising to the children that these valuable resources need to be treated with respect and looked after carefully.

After School Clubs

All after school clubs have started back up again after the half term break and the children are really enjoying them. Here are a couple of pictures from the Tennis and Fencing clubs.



Pictures from after school Tennis and Fencing Clubs

Chess Tournament

On Tuesday 6th June Jaidan (6Holly), Kuba (5Walnut), Ines and Oliver (5Apple) took part in a Chess Tournament at Morningside Primary School. They were accompanied by Aubrey Ellington (Learning Mentor). The children represented STA valiantly and were a credit to the school. They all did really well with Ines winning a silver medal for being one of the higher scoring competitors.

Year 5 Parents Secondary School Information Meeting led by Hackney Learning Trust

We would like to encourage all Year 5 Parents to attend one of the meetings listed in the timetable below. They are being led by the Hackney Learning Trust Admissions section to inform parents of the Secondary School Transfer process. It is very important that you fully understand the process. Making a decision about your child's secondary school can be quite difficult and it will help parents to attend one of the meeting.

SCHOOL	ADDRESS	DATE	TIME
Sebright	Audrey Street, E2 8QH	Tuesday 6th June	4 – 5pm
Hoxton Garden	Ivy Street, N1 5JD	Wednesday 7th June	4 – 5pm
Gainsborough	Berkshire Road, E9 5ND	Thursday 8th June	4 – 5pm
Southwold	Detmold Road, E5 9NL	Monday 12th June	4 – 5pm
Tyseen	Oldhill Street, N16 6QA	Tuesday 13th June	4 – 5pm
Rushmore	Elderfield Road, E5 0LE	Wednesday 14th June	4 – 5pm
Grazebrook	Lordship Road, N16 0QP	Thursday 15th June	4 – 5pm
Princess May	Princess May Road, N16 8DF	Monday 19th June	4 – 5pm
Orchard	Holcroft Road, E9 7BB	Tuesday 20th June	4 – 5pm
Queensbridge	Queensbridge Road, E8 4ET	Wednesday 21st June	4 – 5pm

Share the Road – Stop Means Stop Campaign

Representatives from Hackney council along with our Junior Road Safety Officers, Thomas and Khianna, will be talking to local residents on **Tuesday 15th June from 3.30pm** outside the school gates and at the local shops on Dunsmore Road.

The aim of this event is to highlight the need to understand that 'Stop does mean Stop', to instigate mutual respect towards the School Crossing Patrol Officers and all road users while at the same time looking at road safety issues within the area. We aim to promote positive messages via the school and community participants and our junior Road safety officers will be working closely on this with Hackney Council.

Water & Sun Protection Cream

As the weather is getting warmer (hopefully!) it is really important that children drink plenty of water. Children are encouraged to bring in bottles of water to keep in their classroom. We ask that you label the bottle. Other drinks – such as fruit juice, squash or flavoured waters are not allowed as they contain sugar and/or additives.

We would also advise parents to apply all day sun protection cream to their child before coming in to school.

Uniform – Trousers, Skirts and Shoes

We would like to remind parents that we are a uniform wearing school. **Children should only wear:**

- Yellow/Gold polo top
- Navy fleece or sweatshirt
- Dark grey trousers or skirts (*Black or grey leggings can only be worn underneath skirts, not instead of them*)
- Black school shoes/trainers
- Yellow Summer Check Dress

FoSTA Summer Fair

Summer Fair - Saturday 8th July – As always, parent volunteers are needed. If you can help out on the day or with preparations beforehand, please let the office know or come to a FoSTA meeting on Fridays at 9am (or after reading with your child in class). From now until the date of the event meetings will take place every Friday morning.

We would also be grateful for donations of toys and games for the tombola. Toys and games should be new or in very good condition, please see poster.

Tombola is a game in which people pick tickets out of a revolving drum and certain tickets win immediate prizes, typically played at a fete or fair.

Tombola donation day

Wednesday, 14 June

We need children's toy donations for prizes at the summer fair.

All donations, no matter how small, will have a huge impact and raise money for the school.

Donations new or previously loved will be accepted by the school reception on or before 14 June.

We kindly ask that your donations are in good, clean condition with original packaging where possible.

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Diary Dates for Spring Term 2017			
Class Assembly – 5 Walnut	Fri 9 th June 2017	10.45am in the Lower Hall – Parents of 5 Walnut are invited to attend	
Class Assembly – 3 Rowan	Fri 16 th Jun 2017	10.10am in the Lower Hall – Parents of 3 Rowan are invited to attend	
Class Assembly – FS Juniper	Fri 23 rd Jun 2017	10.45am in the Lower Hall – Parents of FS Juniper are invited to attend	
TRIP – 12 Yr1 Children	Wed 28 th Jun 2017	Hackney Personal Best Event at Britannia Leisure Centre	
TRIP – Juniper and Lilac	Thu 29 th Jun 2017	Infant Singing Festival at the Round Chapel	
TRIP – 3 Aspen	Thu 29 th Jun 2017	Olympic Park	
TRIP - Bike Around The Borough	Thu 29 th Jun 2017	9 mile mass bike ride for 36 Year 5/6 children	
Class Assembly – FS Lilac	Fri 30 th Jun 2017	10.10am in the Lower Hall – Parents of FS Lilac are invited to attend	
TRIP – Woodwind and Violin children	Mon 3 rd Jul 2017	Hackney Instrumental Festival at the Round Chapel	
Sports Day – Nursery & Reception	Wed 5 th Jul 2017	10.00am – Parents invited to come and watch	
TRIP – Phase 1 Choir	Thu 6 th Jul 2017	Infant Singing Festival at the Round Chapel	
TRIP – Phase 2 Choir	Thu 6 th Jul 2017	Junior Singing Festival at the Round Chapel	
Sports Day – KS1	Fri 7 th Jul 2017	10.00am – Parents invited to come and watch	
Class Assembly – 3 Aspen	Fri 7 th Jul 2017	10.45am in the Lower Hall – Parents of 3 Aspen are invited to attend	
FoSTA Summer Fair	Sat 8 th Jul 2017	12-4pm on the school premises	
Yr6 Leavers' Play	Thu 13 th Jul 2017	6.00pm in the Lower Hall	
Sports Day – KS2	Fri 14 th Jul 2017	10.00am – Parents invited to come and watch	
Yr6 Leavers' Lunch	Tue 18 th Jul 2017	12.15pm in the dining hall – lunch of their choice	
Yr6 Leavers' Assembly	Wed 19 th Jul 2017	10.30am in the Lower Hall – Yr6 children will leave after the assembly	
Staff Training Day	Thu 20 th Jul 2017	WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSED	
Staff Training Day	Fri 21 st Jul 2017	WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSED	
<i>Events/Activities for children in school</i>	<i>Events to which parents are invited</i>	<i>Off-site Activities</i>	<i>Closures</i>

Term Dates		
HOLIDAY	BREAK UP	RETURN
Summer Holidays	Wednesday 19 th July 2017 at <u>1.00pm</u> <i>PM Nursery & After-school Twilight club are closed</i>	Monday 4 th September 2017