



## Newton Hill Community School



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Dear Parents & Carers,

A very warm welcome to the new academic year and to all our new families. We have had a wonderful first week back at school and the children have been amazing at remembering, and learning, our school routines and expectations.



Newsletters will be sent out at least once each half term with key information and updates; additional information/reminders will also be sent to you as needed each week through Parenthub.

You can also find information on the school website and please do follow us on Twitter. Just follow us @Newton\_Hill\_Sch or visit [https://twitter.com/Newton\\_Hill\\_Sch](https://twitter.com/Newton_Hill_Sch)



**Make every day count.  
Let's aim for 100%  
school attendance.**

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## **Attendance**

If your child is absent from school please let the school office know as soon as possible by leaving a voicemail through the school telephone system or emailing [admin@newton-hill.org.uk](mailto:admin@newton-hill.org.uk). If we do not know the reason why your child is absent we will follow our procedures - this is a telephone call to all contacts and possibly a home visit. If we are unable to make contact we will refer the absence to the local authority. If you know your child is going to be absent please complete an absence request form (available from the school office). Please note holidays in term time are not permitted. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Playground Development**

We are delighted with our developments in the playground and the children have really enjoyed using the new playground markings this week. We are now planning our next phase of playground development.



## Access to school

You can use Fourth Avenue gate or East Street gate to enter/exit school. The main entrance from Leeds Road will continue to be for visitors, deliveries and special circumstances only. There will be no access to the school playground through the main entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Class Emails for 2022/2023

Below you will find email addresses for class teachers. This email address is to be used to communicate with the class teacher regarding any questions about **learning**. The class email system is not for communication about absences or changes to who will pick up at the end of the day etc. so please use the [admin@newton-hill.org.uk](mailto:admin@newton-hill.org.uk) email, for any other correspondence. If you need to contact the school urgently, please use 01924 303680.

Please note that class emails will only be responded to within working hours Monday to Friday and not before 8am, or after 5pm due to work place wellbeing. Emails will not be responded to at weekends or holidays. We will always aim to respond to emails within 2 working days.

We also ask that your communication to school is in a courteous and professional manner and in line with our Parent Code of Conduct which is also attached for your reference.

If you have any concerns, your child's class teacher is your first point of contact with school. If required the next step would be to speak with the Key Stage (KS)

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Leader and then to the SLT (Senior Leadership Team). For safeguarding concerns please contact school to speak to a DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead) please see the Safeguarding section for more information.

Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed or if there are any changes to medical information.

<b>Class Teacher</b>	<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Contact Email</b>
Mrs Luck (Assistant Headteacher/SENDCO) and Mrs. Greaux/Miss Mosley	Nursery	<a href="mailto:nursery2022@newton-hill.org.uk">nursery2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Neal Mrs Austin (EYFS Leader)	Reception A	<a href="mailto:receptiona2022@newton-hill.org.uk">receptiona2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
	Reception B	<a href="mailto:receptionb2022@newton-hill.org.uk">receptionb2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs. Cooke	Year 1	<a href="mailto:year12022@newton-hill.org.uk">year12022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Damton (KS1 Leader)	Year 1/2	<a href="mailto:year1-22022@newton-hill.org.uk">year1-22022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs. Buttle	Year 2	<a href="mailto:year22022@newton-hill.org.uk">year22022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mr Paine (KS2 Leader)	Year 3/4 A	<a href="mailto:year3-4a2022@newton-hill.org.uk">year3-4a2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Wrench	Year 3/4 B	<a href="mailto:year3-4b2022@newton-hill.org.uk">year3-4b2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Whelerton (Deputy Headteacher)	Year 5	<a href="mailto:year52022@newton-hill.org.uk">year52022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mr Sharp	Year 6	<a href="mailto:year62022@newton-hill.org.uk">year62022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>

### **School Meals**

Our school meal price is £2.35. Please note that there will be no further increases in 2022/2023 and school will continue to subsidise school meal costs to keep the price at £2.35. School meals can be ordered in advance at home so you can choose meals with your child (pre-orders cannot be changed at school). Just a reminder from CH & CO (our meal provider) that all accounts need to be in credit to allow children to order a meal at school.

Our Healthy Lifestyles and Lunchbox policy is attached again for your information. You will find information about packed lunches and information about snacks at school.



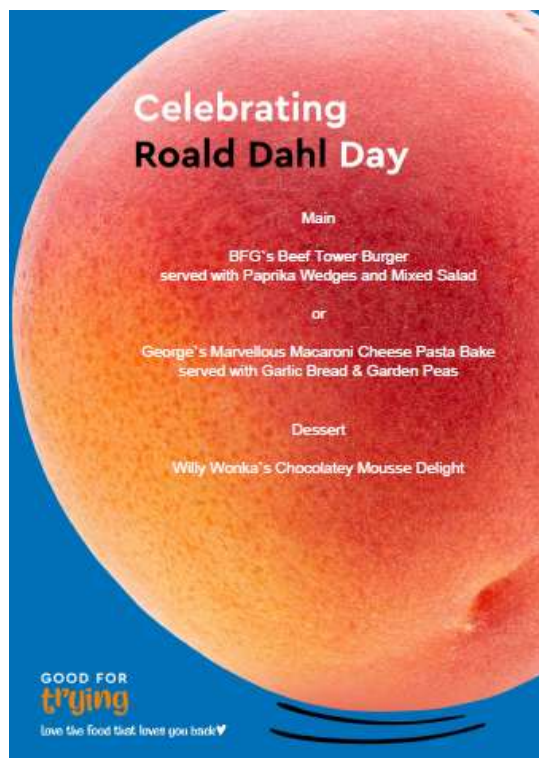
School meals for children in EYFS and KS1 are FREE but if you are considering a packed lunch option please have a look at the policy. Please see the attached leaflet from CH & CO for further information regarding our school meals.

**Snacks:** All children in EYFS and KS1 receive a piece of fruit/vegetable provided through the school fruit scheme. Children in KS2 can bring a piece of fruit/vegetable for a snack. Cereal bars etc are not permitted. Please see the policy for further information.

If your circumstances have changed you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM). You can now apply on line at: <https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals>. If your child receives FSM the school will also receive additional funding to support your child.

### **Roald Dahl Day – Special Menu Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Please order your email in advance wherever possible.



### **School Uniform**

Thank you to everyone who follows our uniform expectations. Our school uniform policy is attached for your reference and we ask that you read this carefully. When replacing school uniform/shoes we would ask that you refer to the policy first. There is some uniform funding available for families who are eligible for free school meals and Mrs Dundas will be in contact with you shortly. The pre-loved

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uniform is also available – please contact Mrs Dundas for further information or support.

**Please can we ask that all uniform/property is clearly labelled!**

**Thank you.**

### **Unplanned School Closures – Snow/Adverse Weather**

It is coming to that time of year when the weather can start to change but hopefully not anytime soon! Although snow is welcomed by our children it can, as you know, cause issues with schools. We will always aim to notify you of any closures at the earliest opportunity and appreciate that this may be at short notice.

In the unlikely event of a school closure, for reasons out of our control, we will contact you via Parent Hub. We will also display messages/updates on our school website [www.newtonhill.wakefield.sch.uk](http://www.newtonhill.wakefield.sch.uk).

We will always do our best to stay open, but if for any reason we have to close during the day we will contact you via Parent Hub, and information will be displayed on our website. A member of the Senior Leadership Team will always stay on site until all children have been collected.

### **Newts Provision – Adverse Weather**

During adverse weather conditions, various considerations need to be assessed to see if school can open safely – for example the number of members of staff who can get to work safely, site safety and access.

Therefore, if there are any occasions of adverse weather (snow/ice/treacherous conditions), Newts provision will not be open for breakfast club. This is to allow sufficient time for school to assess if school can open safely and if there are enough staff able to travel to school safely.

Messages will be sent to all parents via Parent Hub as reminders should this be the case and we will always give advance notice if weather warnings are issued. We will aim to notify you by 7am should this be the case. We will always try to stay open during adverse weather conditions and school may offer a later opening time rather than a full closure depending on the circumstances. Thank you.

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## Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or need any support or advice please do not hesitate to contact the school.



Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are: Mrs Wheatley, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Mrs Dundas, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> This website offers advice and guides for parents which you may find useful.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

If you need support or advice you can contact Wakefield Social Care Direct on 0345 8 503 503. There are other numbers you may find useful on our school website under Safeguarding.

<u>Dates for your diary</u>	<u>Event</u>
27.9.22	EYFS Reading Meeting at 3:30 and repeated at 4:30pm. Further details will be provided by Mrs Austin.
W/C 3.10.2022	School Book Fair
W/C 17.10.2022	Parent Consultations

- The academic calendar is below for your reference.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please contact school on 01924 303680 or send an email to [admin@newton-hill.org.uk](mailto:admin@newton-hill.org.uk).

Kind regards,

Mrs Wheatley

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be here to  
succeed here.

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**APPROVED SCHOOL CALENDAR 2022/23**

**August 2022**

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**September 2022**

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**March 2023**

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**May 2023**

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**June 2023**

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**July 2023**

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