

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed the long weekend. The children have been hard at work this week: the Discoverers creating Superheroes, the Explorers creating wonderful Jolly Postman stories, the Adventurers wonderful artwork and the Pioneers riddling me in knots! For example, one child created the following riddle, which foxed me...

“Some people wear it, but not all. Boy or girl, anyone or no one. I have a decorated frame, but you don’t put pictures in me. There are lots of me. What am I?”



Could I remind you to provide your child with a labelled water bottle and when the weather gets hot and please ensure that they have had sun cream applied before they come to school.



Please bring in any Sainsbury’s Active Kids vouchers – thank you

Discoverers: We have been looking at making repeating patterns and halving. We have also been busy making our own Superheroes and writing all about them.

Explorers: We have explored the traditional tale of Hansel and Gretel and rewrote the story using story language and descriptive words. We have solved lots of multiplication work problems and created a map using symbol keys.



Adventurers: We have been doing lots of art with paints and chalk. We have also been looking at addition and subtraction in maths using the column method.

Pioneers: We have explored measuring our different heights in the classroom and compared them. We have also been learning about the Vikings and their love of sagas.

Mr Irwin’s Maths club

Normal sessions on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.



Class Rep Needed

The *Seeds of Hope* (PTA) are looking for a class representative for the **Discoverers**. (We have a Rep for the other classes). We need a parent who can pass on messages about events, to other class members and relay messages back to the PTA from class members. If you feel able to fulfil this role, please contact the school office or the PTA direct through Many Cooper (Pioneers). Thank you Mary13381@yahoo.co.uk

Our value is “Peace”. An important value, as they all are, in our world today.

peace.

It does not mean to be in a place where there is no noise, trouble or hard work. It means to be in the midst of those things and still be calm in your heart.
(unknown)

Our next value will be ... “hope”.

CLEARLY LABELLED PE KITS, WITH APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR (PLIMSOLLS) NEED TO BE IN SCHOOL AT ALL TIMES

Please bring in a full, clearly labelled PE kit for your child on MONDAY if they do not have it already in school.

*Pale Blue T Shirt, *Black Shorts, Plimsolls, *PE Bag

Optional: *Black sweatshirt, black joggers

* School Logo items available from :Caseys Schoolwear, Blackfen

Uniform

All uniform must be named. Please check regularly in case the names have faded in the wash.

At times the children will get a little messy at school, however please ensure that on a Monday that all uniform is clean. If you have any problems washing your child`s uniform, please let us know.

THE PRAYER ROOM is not just a great creative resource for the children. Our parent`s prayer meeting takes place every Wednesday morning at 8.45-9am. All are welcome! For more information or to put in a prayer request, please fill out a prayer/query slip and post in the Prayer box in the Community Room

WEDNESDAY`S COFFEE`S (or tea) These happen every Wednesday in the Community Room and everyone is welcome. A great way to catch up with other parents/caregivers from Hope and meet some new people. We would love to see you.

Attendance

Every day counts in attendance, as well as good punctuality. If, for any reason, your child cannot attend school, or is going to be late, please contact the school as soon as you can. If your child is going to be picked up by somebody different please notify the school as soon as you can. This also includes the After School Club.

Our School target is 97%. Currently the school attendance is 95.57%.

For the year so far:

Discoverers:	93.91%
Explorers:	97.20%
Adventurers:	94.45%
Pioneers:	96.62%

Highlighted classes have improved since last week.

Well done to all classes, in every class attendance improved with three classes ABOVE 98%!

Food Bank Collection Point

There is a new Food Bank Collection Point in the Community Room. It is located behind the door on top of the lost property drawers. There is a list of items which our local Food Bank particularly needs but all store cupboard food is welcomed. The food will be taken to the Food Bank on a weekly basis. If you would like to know more about the fantastic work that our local Food Bank does, please visit.

<https://bexley.foodbank.org.uk/about/>

Many thanks, Beth Wells, Community Coordinator

Breakfast Café: 8.30-8.45

Children attending the Breakfast Café must be accompanied by an adult and then taken by the adult to their class when they have finished. We ask that adults and children help tidy up their used dishes and glasses when finished. Children will need to be heading to class by 08.45 to have some of the soft start.

Key Dates

Date	Event
19/5	Seeds of Hope present ... "Quiz Night ... Indian Themed"
24/5	Collective on Wellbeing
29/5-2/6	HALF TERM
5/6	Inset Day
6/6	Children back to school
7/6	Sun safety Collective
16/6	Father`s Day celebration TBC
1/7	Summer Fete
5/7	Sports Day
17/7	School Open house for parents to see teachers (if required)
21/7	End of term at 1.30pm

Messages ...

We cannot guarantee that messages left after 2.30 pm with the office will reach the Class Teacher in time.

Let your child begin their day without being late!

Please ensure children are at school by 9.00am every single day! Every child brought to school after 9.30am is marked 'U', which equals to 'Unauthorised absence.'

Lock it or Loose it ...

Due to a recent spate of thefts in the area, we would advise that all bikes and scooters be secured using an appropriate lock.



We have taken measures to increase security but Hope cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage.

VACANCIES AT HOPE ...

2 x Midday Supervisors – for immediate start
1 x Midday Supervisor – for September 2017 start



Please check out website for details from Monday onwards.



Our 'Walk to School Trophy' for April goes to the **Discoverers** – well done !!

VACANCIES AT NEW GENERATION CHURCH ...

New Generation Church Business Manager
Breakfast Club Coordinator – for September 2017 start
Breakfast Club Sessional Workers – for September 2017 start

For more details please go to:
<http://www.newgen.org.uk/vacancies-new-generation-church/>



'Happy Shoesday' is back! On Tuesday 16th May we invite the children to wear the shoes that makes them happy on the walk to school – shiny, decorated, wellies, trainers, boots (please keep them sensible for the school day). Can every child who takes part please make a donation of £1.00 to raise money for this charity – thank you.

HOPE COMMUNITY SCHOOL Invites you to...
Quiz Night Indian Theme
19th May 2017 at 7pm
£12 EACH OR £20 FOR TWO WHICH INCLUDES
3 COURSE INDIAN MEAL PLUS ENTRY TO QUIZ
THERE WILL VEGETARIAN OPTIONS TO
5 to a team Bring your own drinks Alcohol is allowed
Need to book your ticket before
10th May to secure your place with a £7.50
deposit then pay in full on the night



One of our Parents is making a variety of hairbands for a small charge, please contact lucy.dighton91@gmail.com if you are interested in purchasing them.



Come and see our fabulous artwork!

This cross encompasses all our values in showing every Hope child's hand.



FIDGET SPINNERS

PLEASE DO NOT BRING THESE INTO SCHOOL – THEY ARE A DISTRACTION AND CAN BE DANGEROUS IF THROWN.

THEY WILL BE CONFISCATED

LOVELY HATS (Fridays at 2.30pm)



Discoverers

Karys – for showing her love of learning all week and trying lots of activities.

Hart – for his amazing enthusiasm in Forest School and working as a team with his group to build a den!

Explorers

Daniel – for his concentration and his great effort to solve multiplication problems.

Kaleb – for his willingness and putting great effort in all the activities.

Adventurers

Emma – for beautifully executed and well presented maths work.

Jacinda – for taking pride in her work and always presenting her work neatly. For doing some outstanding work in Science.

Pioneers

Evie C – for showing good manners and maturity towards a member of staff.

Isobel - for showing kindness to one of her classmates.

This week's Governor's Reading Cup goes to ** Scarlet D **

Mr Irwin's 'Heroes of Hope':

Asha – for assisting with opening a door
for a classmate without being prompted.

Annabelle – for showing remarkable maturity and restraint
when her lovely piece of work was almost
accidentally destroyed!