



Newsletter

Friday 8th September 2023



Welcome Back

It has been a lovely to welcome all the children back to school after the Summer Break. It was lovely to see their smiling faces as they returned on Wednesday! I hope you all enjoyed some family time together over the last few weeks.

It has been a pleasure to welcome and get to know children who have joined us for the very first time this September. They have all settled exceptionally well—a very special welcome to our Hutchinson family:

Caden; Lenny; Benjamin; Nancy; Lexie; Charlie & Alfie who have joined our Owls Class

Liam and Scarlett who have joined Hedgehogs

Emily who has joined Badgers

We look forward to another exciting year together—we have been busy planning the year ahead; next week children in Owls and Hedgehogs will take part in British Wildlife Workshops as Hoglets visit our school <https://hogletswildlifeeducation.co.uk/home>

Hoglets visit schools and offer workshops aimed at inspiring the next generation of British Wildlife Lovers! We can't wait! Make sure to check our Instagram & Facebook page next week for pictures!

Catering

We are up and running with our new Menus and Catering Company. We are encouraging the children to try some of the new dishes by occasionally putting some sample dishes on offer, for example, today children have the opportunity to sample the falafel wraps with mint and cucumber yoghurt. Menus are available to view on the website.

A reminder, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals.

Snack Payments and Lunch Payments are now live on SchoolMoney.

Please order & pay for snack by **Monday** at the latest if you wish for your child to receive toast at break times for the entire Autumn Term. This will enable the Snack Lists to be compiled and both the catering and teaching staff will know if your child has ordered Morning Snack.

If you experience any problems using SchoolMoney, please email office@hutchinson.staffs.sch.uk and Miss Miller will be happy to help you.

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Specialist After School Sports Clubs

You will have received information today from *Sprint Active*, offering a range of after school specialist sports coaching.

We have taken feedback from the children, and in doing so, will be offering two sessions of Football—one for children in Reception to Year 2 (Owls and Hedgehogs) on a Monday and one for children in Years 3 & 4 (Badgers) on a Tuesday. We will trial this for half term and monitor the uptake. If the demand isn't sufficient, we will reconsider going forward. Multi-Sports (Wednesday) and Gymnastics (Thursday) will be available to all children in Reception—Year 4.

The Sports Coaching is specialised, targeted at developing the skills as well as game and match-based experiences.

The clubs will begin next Monday and are offered 4 days per week; Monday—Thursday. Booking is via the website www.sprintactive.co.uk

Dates for the Term / Information sent home

We are just finalising dates for the term ahead and these will be shared with you shortly. Curriculum Information will be sent home from class teachers next week.

Rocksteady Band Lessons

Information was sent to Parents at the end of last term regarding our Rocksteady lessons. These will resume next Tuesday and **there are still places remaining**. Lessons are available to children in Reception to Year 4. Please see our Instagram & Facebook for a glimpse of last year's concerts!

Children new to the school have been sent flyers home in their bags today. More information can be found at: rocksteadymusicschool.com where you are able to logon to our school and book your child on!

Reporting Absence

Should your child be absent from school, please notify the school office by 9.00am
office@hutchinson.staffs.sch.uk / 01538 722385

Please notify us **each day** your child is absent.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Communication

We have been experiencing technical issues with Teachers2Parents over the last couple of days (our text and email service). This should now have been resolved and we are able to communicate using the service as usual.