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**'Improving outcomes for all our pupils
through high quality teaching and learning'**

Parent Newsletter – 11th September 2026

We have had a great first full week back at school at Hobbs Hill Wood and I have enjoyed getting to meet all the children, parents and staff. I've spent time visiting children in their classrooms, teaching in Year 6, leading assemblies and visiting EYFS as they also begin their journey at Hobbs Hill Wood. I am looking forward to working with you to continue to grow and develop the school into the future!

Changes to KS1 Morning Gates

This week I have visited all of the key stage gates in the morning so that I can begin meeting parents as well as to assess the beginning of the school day. Through discussions with parents and staff, I have decided to change arrangements to the Key Stage 1 gate to create smoother and safer start to the morning.

- Key Stage 1 gate will open from 8.25am – 8.35am
- Parents to bring their children onto the playground and stay with them until 8.35am
- Doors will open at 8.35am for children to enter their classroom straight away to begin their morning work.
- Parents will exit the playground and gates will lock at 8.40am

Changes to Gate Opening Times in the Morning – From Monday 2nd November

As part of reviewing the morning routine, I have noticed that the gates to the school open early and there is a large gap between the opening of the gates and the opening of the door to the classrooms. For this reason, **all gates from Monday 2nd November will open from 8.25am**. I wanted to give parents notice of this, particularly for older children as this may impact childcare arrangements.

- All gates will open from 8.25am – 8.35am
- Nursery registration will be at 8.30am
- Reception through to Year 6 doors to classrooms will open at 8.35am
- Reception through to Year 6 registration will be at 8.45am



OUTSTANDING TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026

School Travel Plan – Outstanding Accreditation!

This week we have received confirmation that following our assessment, that the school has been awarded the 'Outstanding Accreditation' for our commitment to sustainable travel. Modeshift STARS supports schools to create, deliver and track the effectiveness of their travel plans. We are really proud of this achievement!

School Association Help Needed!

I met with the wonderful School Association this week who have fundraised over £20,000 for the school over the last year. We are always looking for parent volunteers to help at events and to join us on the School Association Team. If you are interested, please come along to our next meeting on **Monday 5th October at 6.30pm in the Myatt Room (next to the main school office)**.

School Association Upcoming events:

Saturday 19th September – Teddy Bear's Picnic for Nursery & Reception 10.30am – 12pm

Thursday 8th October – 'Mini' Disco for Nursery & Reception with their Parents/Carers 5pm – 6pm

Wednesday 21st October – Halloween Disco for Year 1, 2, 3 from 5pm – 6.15pm

Wednesday 21st October – Halloween Disco for Year 4, 5, 6 from 6.30pm – 8pm

Certificate Assembly

This week we have been busy gathering certificates and names for our first certificate assembly of the year on Monday. I look forward to being able to share the children who have been recognised for their learning in next week's newsletter.

School Crossing

You may have noticed that we currently do not have a school crossing patrol. Whilst we try to fill this vacancy please help to support your child with crossing the road.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Miss Hunter

Headteacher

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