



Maltby Hilltop School

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Monday 8th April 2019

Dear families, parents and carers

Hilltop Fundraising Show

This event was organised by Tracy Haigh and helped by Karen Hornung. It was a fantastic night and they managed to raise a fantastic more than £800 toward school funds. This will go toward the new playground equipment for our most complex students.

Parent Governor

Just to let you know Rachael Tordraighen has become a parent governor and attended her first meeting last Friday. Thanks for joining us. If you have anything you wish passing onto governors you can contact Rachael or Sandra Rossado who are both parent governors.

Calvert Trust Residential

This year, as ever it was a great success with students taking part in a range of 'brave' activities.

Transport issues

We are aware that the rule around transport escorts coming to family's doorstep and escorting their child to the bus/taxi is being enforced by all transport staff. We know this is having a significant impact on many families and their child. It is important that your child is safe at all times. You have been asked to be responsible for getting your child to and from the bus/taxi. If you are finding this difficult or you have any medical condition which may impact on this please contact transport r&e-passengertransport@rotherham.gov.uk text on 07860 018829 or phone 01709 334325. If you need more help contact school.

Parents questionnaire

In January we sent out a parental questionnaire to get a feel for how we are doing and highlight any issues. You had some concerns around us spending on the building rather than on staff in classrooms. For us this is a difficult balance as the majority of the costs in a school are on staff. We have had a huge amount of work done through the 'condition improvement fund' (CIF) which Nexus have secured from central government to ensure the school is safe and secure. We have had a new roof last year which included additional insulation. As part of this we used our school budget to create a new library area in the school. More recently all of our boilers have been replaced with a more efficient system. Both of these have reduced our energy costs which we can spend directly on our students.

You also had some concerns around the information being 'patchy' in home/school diaries. We are creating a draft 'tick' format for new diaries which we will trial in some classes and see if this works better than what we have at present. As ever if you have any concerns talk to your key worker or class teacher. If you feel the need to contact me please do so.

World Book Day

It was great to see so many students and staff dressed up and ready for our day of stories, fun and shared experiences of books. Please have a look on the website as we have shared some photos.



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Dates for your diary up till May 2019

Name of event	Date and time	Booking details
Scholastic Book Fair	Monday 8 th Friday 12 th April	A range of books to buy are in school and will be visited by our students.
'Chinwag' informal chat meet up for parents	Tuesday 9 th April at the 'Queens' pub at 10am	Do come and chat with other parents
Open day	Tues 9 th April 10am & 1:30 walk round school	Let office know
Lower School Disco	Wed 10 th April 3:30-5pm	£3 – book a place through diary or office
Proud Assembly	2:15 Friday 12 th April	Do come along
Break for Easter	Finish Fri 12 th April 3:15 and return Mon 29 th April	School Holiday
Sports Day	Wed 1 st May all day	At English Institute for Sport
Open day	Mon 13 th May 10am & 1:30 walk round school	Let office know
'Chinwag' informal chat meet up for parents	Wednesday 15 th May (time & venue to be confirmed)	Do come and chat with other parents
Deputy head interview	Wed 15 th May all day	It would be great if we could have a group of parents as part of this
Proud Assembly	2:15 Friday 24 th May	Do come along
School Holidays	Last day Friday 24 th May and return Mon 10 th June	

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