



## Maltby Hilltop School

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Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear families, parents and carers,

### **Front Doors – again!**

Our automatic front inner door has stopped working again and we have had to order a new closing magnet system. This may take a few days or a week to sort. Please bear with us whilst we open the door for you when coming in.

### **Parent's Chinwag and Facebook page**

This is a very informal and friendly meeting for parents to discuss whatever is important to you. If you have not been I would recommend you contact Becky Earp and take this opportunity to chat to other parents. There is also the 'parents only' Facebook page which again is organised by Becky.

### **Polling Station**

I have agreed for us to be a polling station on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May. The school was not planning shutting as they only need to use the 6<sup>th</sup> Form portacabin at the front of school. I believe that has now been cancelled and I will; let you know more if I hear about elections.

### **New Deputy Head**

After some really high-quality applications and candidates we were fortunate to appoint a very child centred practitioner who has been the head at a mainstream school in Sheffield. She is Joanne Grantham and she will be joining us for September 2020. We hope she will be able to come into school before then.

### **Coronavirus**

In very practical terms please continue to be both vigilant and sensible around the virus. I would urge you not to send your child into school if at all unwell over the next month or so. Please be aware of the symptoms of a temperature and a new persistent cough. If you or your child has either please self-isolate for at least 14 days. If someone in your family has any possible symptoms please do not send your child here to school. If your child is ill at school we will be asking you to collect them as soon as possible.

We will still be going out into the community

Our concern is very real for our students who have poor immune systems and are easily poorly especially those with any respiratory/breathing issues.

### **Sports Day**

Just in case you have not seen the Coronavirus letter sent on Monday we have cancelled/postponed the sports day and it will now be a normal day in school.

### **Sad news**

One of our students Molly has recently died. She has been part of Hilltop school for many years and has always been in Pink class. We feel deeply for her family at this difficult time. The funeral is Wed 25<sup>th</sup> March and I am aware there are many staff who will wish to go. It has been hard for the Pink class team over the last year or so with significant illness and loss in the class.

### **MyEd**

It is now available as an app for your phone. It just has the basic information for now but we will be adding more as time goes on. We have started to use it to contact you and you can get more information and contact us through the app very easily. Please make sure we have your up to date mobile phone number.



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### Dates for your diary

Name of event	Date and time	Booking details
Parents Chinwag	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 10am at Brecks	Get in touch with Becky Earp or just turn up
Proud Assembly	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2:30pm	Do come along
Break up for Easter	Last day Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	School holiday Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Back to school	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils and staff back
Open day	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 10am and 1:30pm	Look round for prospective new parents
Polling station	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Portacabin being used for voting
May Day	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Staff and pupils off school for bank holiday
Open day	Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> May 10am and 1:30pm	Look round for prospective new parents
Parents Chinwag	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 10am at Brecks	Get in touch with Becky Earp or just turn up
Proud Assembly	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2:30	Please come along
Break up for 2 weeks	Last day Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Holiday Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> June
Training day	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	No school for pupils
Pupils return to school	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	School re-opens after holidays

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