

# Khalsa VA Primary School NEWSLETTER

17th July 2023

# WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA, WAHEGURU JI KE FATEH

### Teachers' Industrial Action – a resolution

As you may have seen in the news, the government has agreed to meet the demands of teaching unions with regard to school funding and pay increases. This hopefully should mean that there should not be any future industrial action from teachers and the autumn term will not be disrupted by strikes.

# Attendance

We would like to remind parents that pupils are expected to attend school until the last day of term, which is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. All requests for term-time holidays will be unauthorised; parents will be fined if they take children out of school without a valid reason and the child's place in the school is at risk and may be withdrawn.

We have worked very hard his year with parents to improve our attendance figures. We are pleased that our attendance levels have improved this year to 93% overall. However, our target for attendance is 96% so we hope to do even better next year, with your support.

## Summer Fair - a huge thank you

Thank you to everyone who came to our summer fair and to all of our supporters who donated money, items to sell and raffle prizes. We are very proud that this has been our most successful every ever and we have raised an incredible £3,000.00. These additional funds are vital for schools in the current economic situation and we are so grateful for your support.

# End of term gifts

We would like to remind parents that it is not expected to give staff gifts at the end of term. If you would like to express your gratitude, we would appreciate donations of books for our class libraries.

# Handover to new teachers

This week, pupils will meet their new teachers at a special 'handover' lesson. Parents can help children to feel happy and secure about moving onto a new class by talking to them about their feelings and experiences. If your child seems particularly upset or nervous about moving on, please speak to their teacher.

We will also support parents this week by showing you where you will drop off and collect your child in September 2023.

# **Class Parties**

Please see your child's Google Classroom for details about class parties. We would like to remind you that you must not send food or drink in to share with the class. You can send a small drink / snack for your own child.

# **Swimming lessons**

At Khalsa Primary School, children go swimming in year 4, but it is almost impossible for a child to learn to swim when they only learn at school. Learning to swim is a key life-skill and it is really important. Children of any age can start swimming lessons and parents who are interested should contact their local pool to find out more. Our nearest pools are Heston and Dormers Wells.

https://lamptonleisure.co.uk/centres/heston-pools-fitness/

https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/dormers-wells-leisure-centre/

# **Summer Reading Challenge**

One of the best things that you can do to support your child with learning over the holidays is to make sure they are reading. One of the best ways to do this is to visit your local library and participate in the summer reading challenge. Children can win rewards and prizes for reading books over the holiday.

https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201219/libraries/3204/summer\_reading\_challenge\_2023

# End of term

As we come to the end of term, we would like to say an enormous thank you to the parents, staff and governors of Khalsa Primary School for everything they have done this year. Without your support, we could not have achieved so much for our pupils this year. Thank you – let us make next year the best one yet.

The last day of term is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – 3.20pm. We wish all of our families a happy and safe holiday.

The first day of term for pupils is Wednesday 6th September.



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Certificates for the Golden Rule of 'Caring and Sharing' for the week ending 14th July were awarded to the following children:

### Year 6:

Guru Gobind Singh Ji – Mineet K. Chopra Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji – Esher K. Bhogal

# Year 5:

Guru Harkrishan Sahib Ji – Kareena K. Kukreja Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji – Gurnoor Kaur

### Year 4:

Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji – Gunreet K. Bhangu Guru Arjan Dev Ji – Gurdev K. Nagpal

### Year 3:

Guru Ram Das Ji – Samrath S. Khurana Guru Amar Das Ji – Harmanpreet Kaur

### Year 2:

Guru Nanak Dev Ji – Prabhroop K. Khaneja

Guru Angad Dev Ji – Kishrat Kaur

### Year 1:

Sahibzada Ajit Singh Ji – Gian Singh Sahibzada Jujhar Singh Ji – Mayansh S. Manocha **Reception:** 

Sahibzada Fateh Singh Ji – Himmat Singh Sahibzada Zorawar Singh Ji – Harnav Singh

# Best Attendance for week beginning 10th July:

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Key dates for your diary	
Wednesday 19th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Friday 21st July	Last day of term
Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September	Staff training days – no school for pupils
Wednesday 6th September	Pupils return to school

# Thought of the week

Through selfless service, (sewa) eternal peace is obtained.

Three principles of prayer: keep it honest, keep is simple and keep it up

Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God.