



## Mrs Nairne's Headlines

### Future Friday

Today we are informing you of the class teachers for September. You will find this information on the next page of this newsletter.

We are so happy that we will be able to do Future Fridays again! It was extremely successful last year and it helped children with their transition into their new year group.

Future Fridays give children from Year 1 to Year 5 the opportunity to be taught by the teacher who will be teaching them in September.

The Reception classes will also have their own separate transition programme.

### Class Reorganisation

You will see on the next page, that the Year 2 and Year 3 classes will be reorganised at the end of this academic year. This is something we have done before at Handsworth and it has had positive results. Parents and carers in Year 2 and 3 be able to identify friends your would like your child to be in class with.

This is something we would like to do more often at Handsworth, it gives children the opportunity to build more relationships across the year groups and allows us to adapt to ever changing situations and circumstances.

### Thank you

Thank you parents and carers for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely break and look forward to seeing you all again on **Tuesday 19th April**.

Thank you to all the staff! This term has been a challenging one, but yet again you have given it your all and gone above and beyond for our children. We all appreciate you so much!

We value and are proud of our whole school community, we strive to work together for the good of our children. After all, they are why we are here. They keep us on our toes and always give us a reason to smile. Our children are at the centre of everything we do. Have a wonderful, restful break Handsworth.

## Things we may not have been taught but want to teach our children.

All feelings and emotions are okay (even the "bad" ones)

Taking care of yourself both your needs and wants, doesn't make you selfish

You can't always control the things that happen to you but you can control how you react


Mental health is as important as physical health

Consent. You don't have to hug people if you don't want to

Grades and achievements have nothing to do with your worth. We are worthy because we are human beings

Children are worthy of respect and apologies from adults

Other people's opinions of you are not your responsibility. People's actions are more of a reflection of them and less of you



Year Group	Teachers	Classes
Nursery	Miss Walter	
Reception	Ms O'Connor Ms Halsey	
Year 1	Mrs Lucas Miss Jordaan	RAO to 1MJ RHH to 1IL
Year 2	Mrs Chetty Mr Dawes	1MJ to 2KC 1IL to 2BD
Year 3	Mr Charles Miss Bossman	TBC after reorganisation
Year 4	Mrs Buckley Mrs Glanvill	TBC after reorganisation
Year 5	Mr Tromans Miss Woodcraft	4SN to 5RT 4BD to 5MW
Year 6	Ms Nadeem Mr Mussell	5TC to 6SN 5JG to 6SM



HIGHAMS PARK COMMUNITY  
**THE HUB**  
FOOD AID

[Click here for more information about Highams Park Community Food Hub.](#)



WE ARE LOOKING  
FOR MIDDAY ASSISTANTS  
TO JOIN OUR  
HANDSWORTH TEAM

Please click here for more information!



**FUNKY FEET DANCE ACADEMY @ HANDSWORTH**

THURSDAY'S : RECEPTION, YEARS 1 & 2

FRIDAYS: YEAR 3 UPWARDS

£6.50 per class

PAYABLE ON TERMLY BASIS

MESSAGE OR CALL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

**07729331242**

NEW TERM STARTS THURSDAY 21ST APRIL



Funky Feet still have spaces for next term! Please call the number on the flyer if you would like a place for your child.

Year 6  
SATs

Please click here for more information

Handsworth Primary School is committed to supporting good attendance for all pupils. We understand that the last couple of years have been difficult for everyone, and we have tried to be as supportive as possible. It has been hard to travel and see family, to make doctor and dentist appointments out of school time, and we have had to be vigilant for covid symptoms before sending children to school.

We thank you for following the rules and helping us keep our community safe. We now need your support in raising attendance levels. Children must have good attendance to get the most out of their school experience.

Please remember :

Try not to book doctor/dentist appointments during the school day.

If your child has an appointment, please bring them to school before and/or after the appointment.

Inform the office of any appointments and show/send in an appointment card or letter or a copy of the text confirmation.

If using the online form, please state what type of appointment it is and the reason and bring in/email a card or letter after the appointment or when collecting your child.

Please fill in this form if you need to take time off from school. As a school, we can not authorise any holiday during school time.

The school register is taken at 8.50 am. If you arrive after this time, you are marked as late.

If your child is ill, please phone or email the school to let us know, on each day of the absence, before 9 am. If we can not get in touch with you, it will be classed as an unauthorised absence

If you use the online form to report an absence, please state the type of absence and a reason

Your child will need 48 hours off after vomiting or diarrhoea

If necessary, the school office can administer medication, so please bring it to the office to be signed in if needed.



Remember children are resilient and with encouragement from home, can come to school with a little tummy ache or the sniffles and still have a great day! If your child is reluctant to attend for any reason, please talk to the class teacher so we can offer support as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch as we would like to work with you to support your child in attending after a prolonged disrupted period.

Our whole school attendance for this academic year is 94.7%, but this could be higher. Let's work together to improve our attendance!



Thank you to our wonderful parents and carers who are helping to make our school grounds look beautiful! The staff thoroughly enjoyed their rhubarb crumble that was made from the rhubarb we grew at school!

WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO PLAY IN THEIR VERY OWN ROCK BAND?

ROCK STEADY

Enrol today at [www.rocksteadymusicchool.com](http://www.rocksteadymusicchool.com) or call 0330 113 0330 (local rate) 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn new skills, develop friendships and have the time of their life. Parents often find that Rocksteady lessons also boost children's confidence, wellbeing, and even academic achievement.

Here's some more information about what your child could experience:

- Lessons are held during the school day. There's no experience necessary and all instruments are provided, so it's totally inclusive and accessible for all.
- Your child can choose from **drums, vocals, keyboard or electric guitar** (subject to availability). They'll join their bandmates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn some of their favourite songs, developing up to 100 musical skills, along the way.
- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their Rocksteady concert at the end of each term, showing you and their friends just how far they have come.
- Rocksteady is the largest provider of rock and pop band lessons, working with thousands of UK primary schools every year. Our experienced band leaders will guide and inspire your child to progress their musical skills at their child's own pace, ensuring they enjoy the journey.
- A highlight of the school week, your child can enjoy the Rocksteady experience for £34.65 a month (no payment in August). There's a **money-back guarantee** for the first month and you can cancel at any time.
- **NEW!** You'll also receive regular updates on your child's progress through the parent timeline.
- **NEW!** Your child will become either a **Mini Rocker** (Reception to Year 2), **Rock Hero** (Year 3 and Year 4) or a **Rock Lead** (Year 5 and Year 6).

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place! To secure your child's spot in the band or find out more visit [www.rocksteadymusicchool.com](http://www.rocksteadymusicchool.com) or call 0330 113 0330.

Best wishes,  
Mark Robinson | Chairman and Founder

Rocksteady Music School  
100% OF PARENTS TOLD US THAT ROCKSTEADY LESSONS HAVE IMPROVED THEIR CHILD'S WELLBEING

HERE'S WHAT SOME PARENTS AND HEADTEACHERS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ROCKSTEADY LESSONS

90% OF PARENTS TOLD US ROCKSTEADY LESSONS IMPROVE THEIR CHILD'S WELLBEING

96% OF HEADTEACHERS SAID ROCKSTEADY LESSONS BOOST THEIR PUPILS' CONFIDENCE

100% OF HEADTEACHERS SAID ROCKSTEADY LESSONS HAVE A SIGNIFICANT POSITIVE IMPACT ON THEIR PUPILS'

“ My son's confidence has skyrocketed since starting Rocksteady! ”  
Emily

“ It's very inclusive for my daughter to access with her disability. ”  
Alison

“ Rocksteady is the very first school club my 9 year old has ever been interested in. ”  
Emma

“ My child really looks forward to his Tuesday lesson, it is one of the highlights of his school week. ”  
Justine

“ My daughter thoroughly enjoys Rocksteady, so much she wishes it wasn't once a week but every day. ”  
Anthony

“ What Harry truly loves about Rocksteady is being part of a band. ”  
Nicky

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\*From a survey of 103 primary schools and over 1,100 parents

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# HAPPY Easter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last five years, I have worked at summer provision clubs in other schools across the borough. These clubs are a lovely way for the children to enjoy their holiday together and participate in various fun activities (sports, arts, crafts & games).

I am hoping to run our own exciting club at Handsworth this summer.


Please fill out the survey below to register your interest.

Mr Mussell



## Handsworth Summer Club

25th-29th - July  
1st-5th - August



We are considering the possibility of school staff running a Summer Club. We would like to gauge the level of interest and get an idea of the types of activities the children would like to do.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your interest.



## FRIENDS OF HANDSWORTH

Tickets ON SALE now – Kylie on Show

Friday 22nd April

For All The Lovers of Kylie Minogue, Friends of Handsworth (FOH) is putting on the BEST Kylie tribute night in the UK. **Especially For You** on the 22nd of April you can get **Closer** to the Princess of Pop!

**Step Back In Time** to hear Kylie on Show singing all her greatest hits live. Don't be **Slow** as you'll be **Shocked** at how quickly the tickets will sell out. Dance and get **Spinning Around...**

**Hand On Your Heart** we promise it will be the best night you can have in a primary school hall. Just remember **Your Disco Needs You** and by coming along and supporting FOH you'll be doing it for the **Kids** (of Handsworth Primary).

**On A Night Like This** you'll need to book your babysitters in advance.

FRIDAY 22ND APRIL

# KYLIE ON SHOW

KYLIE MINOGUE TRIBUTE ACT PERFORMING AT THE SCHOOL  
DOOR OPEN 7PM - LICENCED BAR

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW

[PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFHANDSWORTH/](http://PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFHANDSWORTH/)

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**FAIR ISN'T**

everybody getting the same thing.....

**FAIR IS**

everybody getting what they need  
In order to be

**SUCCESSFUL.**

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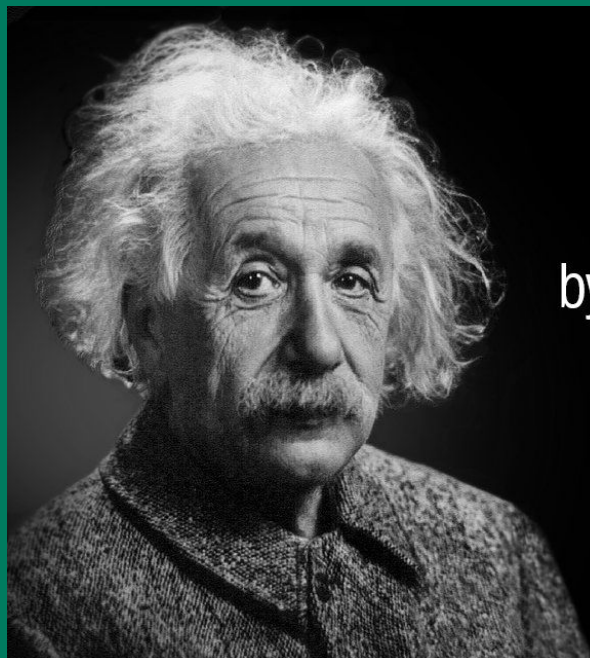
"Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique, not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding."

- Robert John Meehan

progress  
isn't  
always  
measured  
on paper

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21st April 2022	Reception Hearing Test
19th to 22nd April 2022	6RT Swimming Lessons
<b>Friday 22nd April, 2022, 7.30pm</b>	<b>Kylie On Show, FOH event</b>
25th to 29th April 2022	6SM Swimming Lessons
Monday 2nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
Sunday 8th May 2022 10am - 2pm	FOH Yard Sale
Monday 9th May 2022, 2-3pm	School Nurse Drop in Session
Monday 9th May - Thursday 12th May 2022	SATS Week
Wednesday 18th May 2022	Open Classrooms
25th May to 27th May 2022	Year 6 Residential
<b>Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June</b>	<b>Half term holiday</b>
Tuesday 7th June 2022	Reception trip to Walthamstow Wetlands
Tuesday 7th June 2022	Year 5 Trip to Walthamstow Wetlands
Thursday 16th June 2022	KS2 Sports Day
Monday 20th June 2022, 2-3pm	School Nurse Drop in Session
Thursday 23rd June 2022	Early Years & KS1 Sports Day
Sunday 2nd July 2022 11am to 5pm	FOH Summer Fete
Friday 8th July 2022	Year 6 Production
Monday 11th July 2022, 2-3pm	School Nurse Drop in Session
Wednesday 13th July, 3.45-5pm	Open Classroom
<b>Friday 15th July 2022</b>	<b>Bank holiday - Queen's Platinum Jubilee</b>
<b>Friday 22nd July 2022 2.30pm</b>	<b>End of Term</b>
Friday 22nd July 2022 2.30pm	FOH Krispy Kreme Sale
Monday 25th July 2022	INSET day - School Closed
Friday 7th October 2022 9am	FOH AGM
Friday 21st October 2022 7.30pm	FOH Quiz Night
Saturday 26th November 11am to 4pm	FOH Christmas Fayre
Friday 16th December 2022	FOH Krispy Kreme Sale



**Everybody is a genius.**  
 But if you judge a fish  
 by its ability to climb a tree,  
 it will live its whole life  
 believing that it is stupid.

– *Albert Einstein*

# Star of the Week



**NHW**

OLIVIA

**1IL**

GIOVANNI

**RAO**

NAOMI

**1MJ**

DESTINY-JAI

**RHH**

REHAAN

**2KC**

POPPY

**2MW**

WILFRED



**3FB**

SAYHAN

**5TC**

LEO

**3LB**

CYRUS

**5JG**

RILEY

**4BD**

DAVID

**6RT**

LAYLA

**4SN**

RILEY

**6SM**

TEKIN

The purpose of Star of the Week is for us to have the opportunity to celebrate every child in our community specifically. We encourage everyone to celebrate what is wonderful about that child. Children do not need to do anything to earn Star of the Week – each child deserves it and they will each get a turn. The stars also have the opportunity to have tea with Mrs Nairne and Ms Addai. **This week's stars will have their tea party after the Easter break.**

If your child is Star of the Week we encourage you to ask them to repeat to you some of the positive statements their classmates and teachers make about them and add your own!