

ARNETT HILLS JMI SCHOOL



Friday 1st October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

A great big well done to our Year 4 class who won the Tri Golf event held by our local School Sports Partnership. It was so nice to see the children getting out and about to a sporting fixture and we hope there will be more to follow very soon. The winning team from Year 4 are through to the next round which I believe to be on Thursday 21st

October. More details will follow when we have them.



I have been around school in classrooms this week. I continue to be impressed by the way the children engage in learning. The staff here are committed to doing the best job they can do each day for your children. We have had some very exciting staff meetings already this term. We have discussed how best to find out what your children already know, and to really challenge their thinking. We also met to discuss our non-negotiables for the curriculum here at Arnett Hills.

Harvest Hot Dog Lunch—Thursday 7th October

If your child currently brings packed lunch we encourage them to join us for school lunch next Thursday for our Harvest Hot Dog Lunch. Please sign up and order on line if you haven't already done so.

Holidays in term time.

Please be reminded that no holidays in term time will be authorised unless the situation is truly exceptional. Our children have had their education impacted during the last eighteen months and now they really need to attend school as much as they possibly can. The attendance policy is on the school website should you wish to view it.

Learning in Year 5

In science, Y5 have been learning about how our shadows change throughout the day. Despite the cloudy day, they still managed to practically investigate the movement and size of shadows at different times of day by using globes, torches and toy people!



Dates for next week:

Thursday 7th Oct—Harvest Hot Dog Lunch
Friday 8th Oct—School Photographer (only children at Arnett Hills School—no siblings due to Covid Risk Assessments)

Upcoming Dates:

Fri 15th—Nasal Flu Vaccs
Thurs 21st Oct—Break the Rules Day—PTA Fundraiser
Mon 25th—Fri 29th Oct—Half term
Mon 29th Nov—Occasional day
Tues 14th December—Whole School Trip to the Panto at Watersmeet.

PTA LOTTERY DRAW

Well done to the lucky winners:

1ST—16

2ND—64

3RD—32

COVID -19 Updates

Some parents are questioning as to why we are not informing the school community of positive cases in school. Although the government inform us not to tell parents of positive cases in school- we have decided that if we 'step up' our outbreak management control plans (i.e. 3 cases in one class) then we will let parents know. This is in order to balance the needs of all our community. Some people find it very unsettling when there is constant communication about Covid in schools.

Communication sent out this week:

PGL Information - Year 6
Swimming Gala—Year 5/6
Lunch—Thursday 7th October
All Skate workshop for Children with Additional needs
Watford Girls Grammar—Yr6 Girls
Learning Journal—Reception
PTA—Christmas cards—paper copy in children's bags

