



**Pound Hill  
Junior School**

# Newsletter

September 2021

*Pound Hill Junior School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects everyone to share this commitment. If you have any concerns about the welfare of any child please contact one of the designated members of staff.*

**Mr White & Ms Hatton**

## SCHOOL NEWS AND VIEWS

What an amazing week! I knew our whole school community was good but I have been just so impressed with how everyone has returned to “normality”. The children have settled into their new classes so well and I’ve already seen fantastic work and the amazing attitude to learning that sets Pound Hill Junior School apart from all other schools.

We hope to return to doing all the things that make us great. Over the next few weeks we will be:

- ✓ Running parental engagement session
  - ✓ Sell tuck and breakfasts
  - ✓ Offering clubs and trips
- ✓ Talking to you at Parents’ Evening
- ✓ Staging our amazing Christmas performances

Our staff team has welcomed Miss Saunders as a member of our Inclusion Assistant Headteacher (SENDCo), Mr Wells to teach in Year 6 and Mrs Mason, Mrs Lewis and Mrs Lynch, our new Teaching Assistants.

Thank you for working with us as we fine tuned the end of the day procedures. We had honestly forgotten how many people go through that small space at the top of the zig zag path especially when years 4 and 6 leave. We think we’ve got it mostly “sorted” but we might change things if we need to.

We really are such an great community and you should be so very proud of your children as they have just been what I anticipated they would be—amazing!

Have a great weekend and see you all on Monday.

Remember to add  
your child’s  
medical details to  
ARBOR.



Have a try of the  
school lunches—  
They really are  
tasty.



## School lunches



In our school kitchen where fresh meals are prepared daily by the Catering Team. We offer a hot option as well as a packed lunch option. The meals are very popular and are enjoyed by the children and staff each day. The menu is varied, reflecting the cultural diversity of the school as well as offering a range of vegetarian choices.

To order a school lunch for your child please complete the order form following this link - <https://forms.office.com/r/C4tWrcdneH>

The orders can be placed for the first three weeks of the Autumn Term (6th September to 24th September 2021). Please be aware for a hot lunch order a minimum of 48 hours notice is required.

We will send out the menu with a link for the remainder of the term (from 27th September to 22nd October 2021) during September.

Please be reminded that all orders must be placed online as we are no longer able to accept paper order forms.

The cost of an individual lunch is £2.50 and to pay for the ordered lunches please use the Arbor app or the Arbor online portal <https://pound-hill-junior-school-crawley.uk.arbor.sc/>



Can we please remind all parents and carers that for safety reasons cycling on the school playground and premises is strictly forbidden (for both children and adults). Please just push them. The children's safety is our priority and we would like to thank you in advance for adhering to the no cycling rule.

Whilst we allow any child to cycle to school we expect that until they have met the standards of the Bikeability scheme (in Year 6) they are accompanied by an adult.

For their safety, helmets must be worn. They school may withdraw the right to ride a bike to school if a helmet is not worn or the child does not adhere to rules.



## Arbor communication system



As you may be aware we are using communication system Arbor and all communications to you as parents are sent via this portal. With this system you are not only able to make payments, but also update your contact details, change of address, and most importantly access your child's profile and update it with any medical information. We would like to encourage all parents to visit this to ensure all information we hold are up-to-date.

The accounts have been set up for you and all you need to do is finishing creating your account. Your username will be the email address you have provided to us previously. If your email address has changed, please do update the School Office via email.

To finish creating your account, you just need to set a password. You can do this by going to the following link - <https://pound-hill-junior-school-crawley.uk.arbor.sc/>. You will then need to click on 'First time logging in?' and follow the instructions on screen.

When you are setting up your account please use a laptop or a computer, after your first time logging in you can download the Arbor App and login via here.

The Arbor app can be downloaded for free from either the Playstore on Android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones.

Should you need any assistance or have any queries, please contact the School Office.

## BEST STARTER OF THE YEAR



### 10<sup>th</sup> September

#### **Year 3**

Theo Semerene Gomes  
Indi Spicknell  
Maisy Hooper

#### **Year 4**

Arthur Masterson  
Lucy Kirkham  
Robin Gibson

#### **Year 5**

Thomas Marks  
Ridwannah Mirza  
Kerem Caliskan

#### **Year 6**

James Cruse  
Jack Foster  
Lemar Hassett



# Pound Hill Junior School **Diary Dates**

## Autumn Term

### September

Tue 14<sup>th</sup> 4KS and 5CF - Swimming lessons start

Thu 30<sup>th</sup> School photos - Individuals

### October

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> - Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Half Term

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Secondary School Application closing date

### December

Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term, 1pm finish

## Spring Term

### January 2022

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Bank Holiday

Tue 4<sup>th</sup> First day of Spring Term

### April

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Easter break

### May 2022

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> - Thu 12<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATs week

