



# Newsletter

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## Welcome Back!

It has been so lovely to see everyone back this week. I do hope you all managed to have a restful break and enjoy the wonderful sunshine we were all treated to.

I would also like to welcome some new members of staff to the school. Mrs Carol Tubb and Mrs Angela Crowther have joined the teaching team, each covering maternity leaves. In addition, we welcome Miss Pippa Evans (at Leigh) and Mrs Anabelle Greville (at Brockham) to the Classroom Support Team. We also welcome Mrs Fiona Brown to the Admin Team at Brockham. Mrs Brown will be working in the office on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

*J. Douglas*

### MEET THE TEACHER

Just to remind you that our 'Meet the Teacher' afternoons take place next week.

Monday - Years 3 & 4 at 3.15pm

Tuesday - Years 1 & 2 (Leigh & Brockham) at 2.40pm

Wednesday - Years 5 & 6 at 3.15pm

### MOLES

We are in need of additional staff to help run our after school club, Moles, between 3.15 pm and 6.00 pm Monday to Thursday. If you enjoy supervising children in a play environment and would be interested in either regular or occasional term time sessions we would love to hear from you.

For further information, please contact the school office or to download an application form please see our website <http://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=271>

### SCHOOL DIARIES AND INFORMATION BOOKLET

Next week **each family** will receive a North Downs Diary. These contain many of the dates for this school year along with a few helpful reminders and contact details. If have not received a copy by the end of the week please do pop into the school office to collect one.

### INTRODUCTION OF HOUSES FOR THE JUNIORS -

#### Competition - Calling all Juniors...

We are introducing a House Point Reward System for the Junior Children, Years 3 to 6, as from this term. Children will earn House Points which will convert into Gold Stars for their Houses. These will culminate in the awarding of the Gold Star Trophy at the end of each term.

Each child will be put into a House - we will ensure that siblings are put into the same one. The children will compete in their Houses on Sports Day, as well as in other Inter-House competitions through the year. In addition, each House will choose a charity, which they fundraise for.

The Year 6 pupils will have the opportunity to stand for the positions of House Captains, Vice House Captains, Sports Captains and Vice Sports Captains. They will be voted into post by the other House members.

The children have had an assembly this week, introducing the House system to them all. They were also informed of a competition which we are having to name the Houses. There will be four Houses in total - Red, Blue, Yellow and Green - but we would like to name each of the Houses too. So help your children come up with some creative ideas. They could be named after famous buildings, authors, sportsmen or women, figures from British History - the list is endless. The closing date for the competition is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September. An entry form is attached to this Newsletter, below.

Your child needs to complete this then post it in the competition box will be by the office window as from Monday.

Good Luck!



**COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**  
**NAME OUR HOUSES!**



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Names:

Red \_\_\_\_\_

Yellow \_\_\_\_\_

Green \_\_\_\_\_

Blue \_\_\_\_\_

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Please post entry into the box by the office window.

Good Luck!