

Hollywood Newsletter



SWOT - we currently have six replies in from the SWOT analysis—please complete and return the form with your feedback. It is essential that we have a wide range of views to get a full picture of how our pupils, parents and staff view the school.

ASTHMA

Please note if your child has asthma the school need to have an up to date copy of their Asthma Action Plan.

This is so that we know exactly how to support your child on a daily basis and in case of an emergency.

Even if your child self administers medication - we must have the action plan in place.

Staffing

Mrs Bathgate will be in school on a Wednesday and Thursday this term covering Miss Baxter's two teaching days.

The school will continue to split into three classes for writing on a Thursday morning—this term Miss Dale will work with P5-7, Mrs Bathgate P3-4 and Miss Stapleton P1-2.

Mrs McCutcheon will support learners on a Monday afternoon and Thursday morning

Additional Support for Learning - Ms Wilson is here in a dual role at the moment. We have booked her from the ASL supply list until the end of term 2 to support learning on a Monday and Tuesday. She is also in school as a student. Ms Wilson is currently working on Early Childcare Studies. Miss Stapleton will be her mentor this session.

We have booked in Mr McEwen on a Thursday to support learning.

We are able to book in extra support at the moment as we are entitled to the supply cover for staff absence which Miss Dale has had to cover instead of her management days. We are making full use of our extra staff while we have the funding!

Obugi School our partners in Kenya

We have heard from Nicholas at Obugi School and they have agreed to begin a joint project with us on Growing and Gardening. Our first task is to draw up a calendar showing the vegetables and fruits which can be grown in our country throughout the year. Then we will select a few and try to grow them. Look out for work from Obugi pupils on the school blog!

Parent Helpers

We have a number of parent helpers in school throughout the week:

Mrs Patrick (Jack and Bailey's Mum) has started helping out in the infant class on a Thursday morning.

Ms Johnstone - Smith (Hayden's Mum) and Ms Marshall (Larsson's Mum) are working as part of the library business group.

Mr Mattinson (John and Euan's Dad) is still giving up days off to carry out jobs around school—most recently, the new Parent Council Noticeboard and just this week the greenhouse! A huge thank you!!

Mr Storey (Hannah and Paul's Dad) has been on call with his drill—most recently, repairing the treehouse.

Ms Carruthers (Elliot and Logan's Mum) has approached the school with the idea of setting up a Homework Club for pupils. We said 'YES!' immediately and will be meeting in the very near future to discuss and plan how the club will work.

Please find a letter in today's mail bag!

Kaitlyn's mum organised a gravel delivery just today for the floor of the greenhouse. Brilliant! Roping in friends and family to help us get organised. Thank you!

We are delighted to have parent helpers in school, but are also aware that it doesn't work for some pupils to have their parent in class.

All helpers in class have to sign a confidentiality agreement and should not be discussing what is seen or heard in class outwith school. They know to approach Miss Dale if they have concerns.

Parents who help out regularly have to complete a PVG - this is to check that they are safe to work with vulnerable groups (children) - we currently have four parents completing PVG forms.

Can everyone volunteer?

We are happy for parents to offer their time and skills. We will discuss how they can best support the school. With only two classrooms we cannot have more adults than pupils!

It may be that supporting an afterschool club or a lunchtime club would be up your street!

Thursday afternoon from 2pm - 3pm is **Business Group Time** and we are happy to have many helpers even if you can only make it once in a while!!

Want to start an evening class to get us through the Winter? Get in touch with your ideas. Baking, Sewing,

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