



# Newsletter

5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

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## A MESSAGE FROM MS PAULSON

A warm welcome back to all our Haydn Families. We hope you had a good holiday and are ready for the new autumn term. On behalf of all of the staff, I'd like to thank you for all the kind cards and gifts you sent in at the end of last term - they were very much appreciated.

We have really enjoyed settling the children into their new classes this week and they all look very smart in their new uniforms. The behaviour across school has been outstanding and we have all been struck by the beautiful manners, thoughtfulness and kindness of the children. They are excited, motivated and ready to learn. You should be very proud of them!

Welcome too to our new families whose children are starting in Nursery and F2. We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children and we hope that they are very happy at Haydn.

I hope that you are able to attend the Meet and Greet sessions that your child's class teacher has organised. You will be receiving your class letters at the end of next week in which curriculum plans and routines are outlined.

A huge thank you to all of the behind the scenes work that has taken place during the summer holidays to get school ready for this week! Mr Shaw, Site Manager and the cleaning team have both worked tirelessly and deserve real acknowledgement. Mr Shaw has been especially busy during the holiday building the fabulous stage for OPAL in the Key Stage 1 playground, as well the mud kitchens for Early Years. His use of upcycled materials is to be commended - what a talented chap!

## **Staffing Update**

We welcome a number of new members of staff this term. Mrs Cordon who is the class teacher in Year 6, Miss Heron, teaching assistant in Year 4, Mrs Monaghan, teaching assistant in Year 1, Miss Beeton, teaching assistant in F2 and Miss Cook in nursery. We know they will have a wonderful time getting to know the amazing children, families and staff here at Haydn.

## **Punctuality and Attendance**

Please ensure your child arrives punctually to begin school at 8.45am each day. School finishes at 3.15pm. Teachers begin planning meetings at 3.15pm so please do your best to collect on time and please vacate the site promptly. If you are running late, please ring the school office to let them know.

At Haydn we are committed to ensuring that all children have excellent school attendance. Our school target this year is 97%. We understand that children need to be off school when they are

ill but other than that they need to be in school. Holidays should not be taken in term time and we will contact you if your child's attendance falls below 90%.

### **Mobile phones in school**

A quick reminder about mobile phones in school. We do not permit children to bring phones into school. We understand that if your child walks to and from school alone, you may want a way of contacting them. If you feel it necessary, then we will allow your child to bring a phone but it must not have access to the internet or have a camera. This will allow your child to be contacted whilst safeguarding them and others against issues with online safety and damage to expensive property. If your child does bring a phone to school, it needs to be handed to the class teacher where it will be securely locked away until the end of the day.

### **Internet Safety**

A gentle reminder to keep having conversations with your children around internet safety. With more children than ever having access to smart phones, tablets and social media, it is critically important that you are aware of what they are accessing and they know how to handle the risks of being online. There are also some lovely resources made by Lego, they have a range of games, talking points and fact pages that are engaging and informative.

<https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/digital-child-safety?locale=en-gb>

### **CHILDREN'S CLOTHES AND BELONGINGS**

Please ensure that children's items of clothing/book bags and belongings are all labelled with their name. Thank you.

### **HEALTHY SNACKS**

Key Stage 2 children (Year 3,4,5 & 6) are allowed to bring in a healthy snack, such as a piece of fruit or vegetable or a sugar free bar to eat at break time. Biscuits, sweets, chocolate and crisps are not allowed. We have a daily delivery of fruit for Key Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2) and Foundation Stage (Nursery and F2) children.

### **HAYDN IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL**

Please could we remind all parents/carers that Haydn is a NUT FREE ZONE and children should not have nuts or products containing them in their lunch boxes. Please check ingredients lists on foods being provided as something as simple as Nutella spread on sandwiches could cause serious problems to the children and staff we have in school with a nut allergy.

### **INSTRUMENT LESSONS**

Instrument lessons for Years 5 and 6 will be starting for Brass, Woodwind, Guitar, Ukulele and Strings. The timetable is as follows: Monday - Brass , Tuesday - Woodwind, Thursday - Guitar & Ukulele, Friday - Strings.

Guitar, Ukulele and Strings lessons will start next week and Brass and Woodwind will start the following week. If your child has their instrument at home please remind them to bring it in to school.

### **PARENT READER VOLUNTEERS THIS TERM**

Are you interested in hearing children read? Do you have a spare afternoon or morning every week? If you would like to join our wonderful team of reading volunteers you would be most welcome. Please leave your details at the school office. Thank you.

## **FLU IMMUNISATIONS - WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER FOR CHILDREN IN F2 TO YEAR 6**

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please click on the following link to complete the online consent form. Please complete **one** online consent form for **each** of your children. If you wish to decline, please use the same link to complete the 'No Consent' form. <https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/Ofdb6e26>

Vaccinations will take place at school on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The link will close on the Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.

## **OPAL PLAY INVITE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN IN YEARS 1 TO YEARS 6**

We are very excited to be able to introduce the OPAL Primary Programme to parents and carers on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September. You are invited to come for the afternoon to play with your child/children in the school grounds. We will be making dens, playing in the sand pit and mud kitchen, dressing up, making up imaginative stories, dancing, playing with water and much more.

Please follow the link below to indicate whether you can attend. We would very much love for you to see the developments that we have made in a short space of time and to see how they are benefitting our children!

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RGw8iocv6kquk\\_8WueyVIkWq3m9pbLhEmvrsUPDM-ilUMEJaTEJMMkhJQTY5SE5TUEJCWFJITjg1Qy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RGw8iocv6kquk_8WueyVIkWq3m9pbLhEmvrsUPDM-ilUMEJaTEJMMkhJQTY5SE5TUEJCWFJITjg1Qy4u)

### Schedule:

1.45pm Arrive

1.45pm - 2.15pm Talk on the OPAL Primary Programme by our OPAL mentor

2.15pm - 3.00pm Free play session with children

Please dress for all weathers and for play!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>F2 Parents/Carers Coffee Morning</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September - 9.00am - Dining Hall</b>
<b>Ilam Music Camp</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Transition to Year 2 Parents Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - 3.30pm</b>
<b>Transition to Year 4 Parents Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - 3.30pm</b>
<b>Transition to Year 6 Parents Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - 5.00pm</b>
<b>Transition to Year 1 Parents Meeting</b>	<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September - 4.00pm</b>
<b>Transition to Year 3 Parents Meeting</b>	<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September - 3.30pm</b>
<b>5H Swimming</b>	<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Year 3 Roman Day - 'Portals into the Past' Workshop</b>	<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</b>
<b>Flu Immunisations</b>	<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Year 4 Ancient Egyptians 'Portals into the Past' Workshop</b>	<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>	<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 3.20pm - 3.45pm</b>
<b>5C Swimming</b>	<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>

<b>FS Greens Windmill Trip</b>	<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>FW Greens Windmill Trip</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>
Half Term Holidays	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Back to School	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Inset Day	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November

**Signposting**

**Nottingham Free School - Year 6 Open Evening**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September - 5.00pm - 8.00pm. Places can be booked via our website [www.nottinghamfreeschool.co.uk](http://www.nottinghamfreeschool.co.uk).