



10th September 2018

Our school council and children have discussed and shared ideas about a school motto that underlines everything that we do as a school. Alongside the governors and the school team, it was agreed that **our new school motto is now Achieve, Care, Enjoy (A.C.E.). Howitt children achieve their best, care for others and enjoy their learning.** The motto is the basis of Howitt Primary Community School and underlines everything that we do as a school for our children. You will see the new motto being used in school in lots of places.

THANK YOU

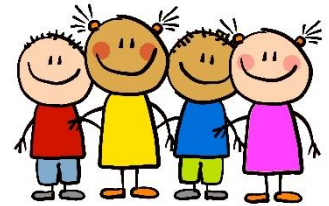
Thank you so much for your support as we start a new year. The children have settled very quickly and are working very hard straight away. There is a calm, hardworking atmosphere in the school. It is fantastic to see.

COME AND MEET YOUR CHILD'S NEW TEACHER

We are very proud of our hard working and dedicated teachers and support staff at our school. Please come and meet your child's new teacher and hear about the expectations and activities planned for their year ahead. Infant classes will meet on **Monday 10th September** at 3:30pm (Year 1 and 2). Years 4, 5 and 6 will meet on **Wednesday 12th September** at 3:30pm The meetings will be held in your child's classroom and will be an opportunity to ask questions and gather information about the coming year.

COMING INTO SCHOOL

As many of you are aware we had a trial period during June and July where year 2 children came straight into school between 8:45am and 8:55am. This has been very successful and we have had a significant number of parents thank our staff and comment positively on this. At Howitt we **always** have the health and wellbeing of your children at the forefront of our decisions. We would now like to extend this to other year groups; years 1, 2, 3 and 4 children can come into school any time between 8:45 and 8:55 in the morning. **May we politely remind you to guide your child to the door but remain outside the school building yourselves, as it can be congested at times and our staff on gate duty need a clear view to prevent children wandering back outside.** We appreciate that on occasions you may need to speak with the class teacher. This is a good time to let them come into school to get themselves settled calmly. We will be starting this with year 5 and 6 too very soon. There is always a member of staff at the gate from 8:45am. However, the staff are not responsible for your children before 8:45am unless they are in breakfast club. Please do not send them into school before that time as the teachers are preparing their lessons. We also politely request that at the beginning and end of the school day our school site needs to be vacated as soon as possible to keep the children safe and secure.



YOGA BUGS

The year 1 children will be beginning their Yoga Bugs lessons this week. This is led by an experienced yoga teacher and is based on yoga exercises but is very good for developing posture and coordination.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Parents' evenings: Tuesday 9th October & Thursday 11th October (after school) look out for letters.

Year 5 Harvest Breakfast: 19th October

Year 6 SATs: 13th - 16th May 2019



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