

To prepare our children to reach their full potential in a modern, evolving and diverse world.

### Autumn 1 2024-25 – Week 2

### HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Welcome to Hanslope!

Welcome back to a new and exciting academic year! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break, filled with memorable experiences. As we step into the new term, we are eager to see our school community come together once again with renewed energy, enthusiasm, and a shared commitment to learning and growth. This year promises to bring fresh opportunities for personal development, creativity, and academic achievement. Let us all work together to make this year one of success, collaboration, and joy. Here's to an outstanding year ahead!



### Join Our Primary School PTA – Make a Difference!

Are you a parent, guardian, or staff member passionate about enhancing our school community? We are looking for enthusiastic, dedicated individuals to join our Parent-Teacher Association (PTA). This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved, make a positive impact, and help enrich the educational experience for all our children.

#### What does the PTA do?

- Organises fun events and activities for students and families
- Raises essential funds for school projects and resources
  - Builds a strong sense of community What we're looking for:
  - Willingness to contribute time and ideas
    - Teamwork and a positive attitude
  - No previous experience is necessary just enthusiasm!

By joining the PTA, you'll have the chance to meet other parents, work closely with school staff, and directly support your child's school life. Whether you can offer a few hours or more, your involvement will be greatly appreciated.

Interested? Contact Mrs Lovegood via email (<u>harriet.lovegood@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk</u>) to find out more and help make a difference!

### New Year – New House Captains and Vice Captains!

One of the brilliant things about being in Year 6 (as well as the SATs!) is having the opportunity to run for House Captain and Vice-Captain – the Year 6 teachers have appointed this year's role models – the children are currently writing a short piece about themselves, ready to share in next week's Newsletter!



### **Lost Property**

We kindly remind you that all items of school uniform must be clearly labelled with your child's full name. This will ensure that, in the event of an item being misplaced, it can be promptly returned to its rightful owner.

Your cooperation in labelling your child's uniform helps us to efficiently manage lost property and reduces the likelihood of items going missing permanently.

Unclaimed items/items not named will be placed outside on the Salcey playground on Thursday and Friday for collection.

Any lost property that remains unclaimed by the end of each half-term will be disposed of accordingly: items bearing the school logo will be discarded, while those without will be donated to charity.



### Learning Updates on our Website



To keep up to date with what your child is learning in Autumn 1, head to the school website, where you will find the Knowledge Organisers and Newsletters for each year group.



### **Weekly Attendance Figures**

Our whole school attendance target is 95% or more for the end of this academic year. Every week, we will share the percentage attendance for each class, starting from **next week!** 

Holly	
Maple	
Larch	
Laurel	
Alder	
Elm	
Oak	
Rowan	
Cedar	
Redwood	
Blackthorn	
Hawthorn	
Lime	
Poplar	
School Total	

EQUATES TO:	100%	OUTSTANDING
4 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	98%	VERY GOOD
6 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	97%	
9 SCHOOL PAVS MISSED	95%	
11 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	94%	
19 SCHOOL MISSED	90%	CONCERNED ATTENDANCE OFFICER WILL BE IN TOUCH
28 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	85%	VERY

**School Total** 

## Did you know...

If your child finishes the year with **95% attendance** they will still have missed 10 school days, which equates to around **55 hours of learning time**?

In fact, if your child misses just one day in the week it equates to them missing **20%**, with their weekly

attendance sitting at just 80%.

Remember: every day counts!

# Attendance will be celebrated in assemblies and through certificates every half-term!

### Summer Fair 2024



We are delighted to announce that the summer fair, back in July, raised nearly £2,000 for our school! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended and to the incredible staff, parents, and

volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the event such a success. Your generosity, enthusiasm, and dedication truly made all the difference. A special thank you goes to members of our PTA who worked behind the scenes and on the day to ensure everything ran smoothly. Without your support, none of this would have been possible, and we are so grateful for the wonderful sense of community that made this day so special. Thank you once again for helping us achieve this fantastic result!

### Hanslope School's Official Facebook Group

Please join our Facebook group where we post about upcoming events. It's the best way to keep posted! To join, follow the link below!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/385370060554710/

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### **Packed Lunch Expectations**

This is an important reminder that Hanslope is an **entirely nut free school.** There are a number of students, and some staff, with **extremely severe** allergies, and it is of the utmost importance that there is no risk of cross-contamination from nuts or nut-based products (eg. chocolate spread, nutty granola bars etc.) in packed lunches.



### **Urgent** Health and Safety Notice

The **Staff Car Park is for Staff and Deliveries only**; it cannot be used to drop off and pick up at **any time** - this also includes breakfast club, 326 and after school clubs - unless you have been given permission to do so.

If the gate is shut, please do not stop or park in front of it - this is causing issues with staff trying to get into and out of the car park and causing traffic to back up dangerously on the road.

There have been several very near misses with both children and cars in the carpark – some of these incidences are visible on site CCTV when staff are leaving and parents are entering at the end of the day. We *really* do not want anyone to get hurt so please be considerate. Any queries, please contact the site team on:

#### site@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk

- Please use the pedestrian gate only and do not walk through the carpark.
  - No dogs are allowed on site, except for guide dogs.
    - Smoking and Vaping are not allowed on site.

Thanks for your continued support - Hanslope School Site Team

### Dates for your calendar

Remember, it is possible to sync the school calendar on our website onto your phone by following this link: <u>https://www.hanslopeschool.co.uk/calendar-help</u>

Here is a reminder of the upcoming diary dates for you to plan ahead. Please note that all the dates and times shown here are accurate at the time of publication - alterations to the information listed below may happen due to unforeseen circumstances; if this does occur, we will endeavour to let you know as quickly as possible.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September – Foundation children start Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Bridgebuilder Assembly Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October – FS Phonics presentation to parents - 2:30 - 3:00pm Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm (more details to follow) Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening 4pm – 7pm (more details to follow) Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Term Ends



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