

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

**Autumn 1 2023 – Week 2**

## HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Welcome to Hanslope!

A very warm welcome back to all parents, staff and students who are coming back to a new academic year at Hanslope School – and an even warmer welcome to those children, staff and parents who are new here too!



We hope you all had a lovely Summer – and that you enjoyed the 'last days' of it in the freak-heatwave last week!

### 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**, 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](mailto: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*

# New Year – New House Captains and Vice Captains!

One of the brilliant things about being in Year 6 (aswell 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!



## Phonics Presentation for KS1 Parents

On **Thursday 12th October**, you are invited to a Phonics Presentation, where we will explain how we teach phonics at Hanslope Primary School and how you can support your child at home.

The session will run from 2.30 – 3.00pm.

The PowerPoint presentation used will be available on the website following the presentation.

Please let Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Fox or Mrs Pearson know by **Friday 6th October** if you can attend, either via the Home-School Book, the form (sent home with your child this week) or by email to: [lisa.lawrence@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk](mailto:lisa.lawrence@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk); [jane.fox@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk](mailto:jane.fox@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk) or [emma.pearson@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk](mailto:emma.pearson@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk).

Thank You.

## Learning Updates on our Website



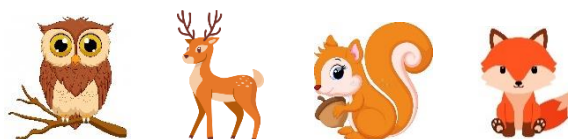
To keep up to date with what your child is learning in Autumn 1, head to the school website, where you will find the Knowledge Organisers and Newsletters for each year group.

## TTRockstars



TTR winners will be available from **next week!**

## House-Points



Housepoint winners will be available from **next week!**

## Weekly Attendance Figures

Our whole school attendance target is 95% or more for the end of this academic year. Below is a breakdown of each class's attendance **from last week**. Well done to **Rowan, Cedar, Redwood and Poplar** classes for having the highest attendance rate!

	Holly	N/A
	Maple	N/A
	Larch	94.5%
	Laurel	95.8%
	Alder	97.1%
	Elm	89.5%
	Oak	97.9%
	<b>Rowan</b>	100%
	<b>Cedar</b>	100%
	<b>Redwood</b>	100%
	Blackthorn	98.5%
	Hawthorn	96.4%
	Lime	96.4%
	<b>Poplar</b>	100%
<b>School Total</b>		<b>97.3%</b>



## 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!**

**This half term, we will be holding an Attendance Assembly and, going forwards, this will be a regular assembly each half term!**

## Year 5 – Writing Superstars!

Last Academic year, the current Year 5's (now in Hawthorn and Blackthorn) took part in a National competition during their English lessons where they had the opportunity to compete to enter for the chance of being **published writers** in an anthology book.

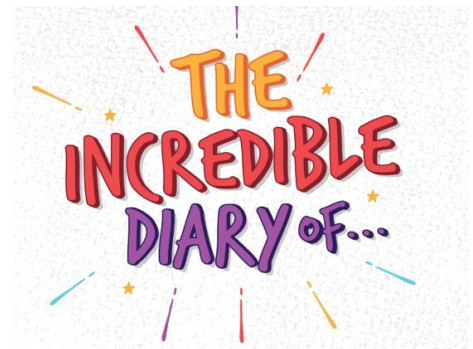
We are pleased to announce that we had a number of entries chosen and some of the children have an opportunity to be published!

If your child is one of the winners, a letter has gone home this week for parental permissions – please follow the instructions given to ensure your child's work makes its way into the anthology!

Hanslope School are due to get one copy of the Anthology – which we will proudly display in Year 5!

**Well done to all of those who took part!**

*Miss Norris*



## FOHS – Facebook Page

Please follow the FOHS Facebook page where we post daily about upcoming events, including the end of term leaving party and various summer fundraising events, all raising money for the school. It's the best way to keep posted!

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofHanslopeSchool>



## 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.



## An emotional 'Goodbye'

We are really saddened to say 'goodbye' to a well-loved member of Hanslope School. Mr Broughton has stepped down from his post here, and will be focusing on his PT business. He will be greatly missed by staff, students and parents.



## Dates for your calendar

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

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 – Year 6 Trip to Holdenby House

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September – European Day of Languages

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – MacMillan Coffee Fundraising

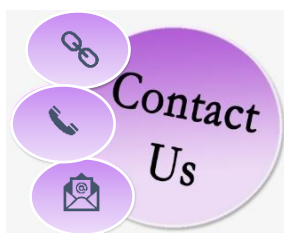
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Bridgebuilder Assembly

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October – FS Phonics presentation to parents - 2:30 - 3:00pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm (more details to follow)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening 4pm – 7pm (more details to follow)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Term Ends



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