



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

**Autumn 1 2025-26 – Week 5** 

# HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 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 (<a href="mailto:harriet.lovegood@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk">harriet.lovegood@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk</a>) to find out more and help make a difference!

### 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 this link:

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



### **Celebrating Hanslope's Winners!**

#### **TTRockstars**



TTR winners from last week were

Hazel

#### House-Points









Housepoint winners from last week were **Squirrel** 

### **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! Congratulations to Larch, Laurel and Alder!

Holly	92.1
Lime	92.7
Blackthorn	92.9
Maple	94.7
Rowan	95.2
Hazel	96.2
Beech	96.2
Redwood	96.5
Poplar	97.9
Hawthorn	99.1
Larch	100
Laurel	100
Alder	100
School Total	96.4

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EQUATES TO:	100%	OUTSTANDING
4 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	98%	VERY GOOD
6 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	97%	GOOD (Q
9 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	95%	ALMOST THERE
11 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	94%	IMPROVEMENT NEEDED
19 SCHOOL PAYS MISSED	90%	CONCERNED ATTENDANCE OFFICER WILL BE IN TOUCH
28 SCHOOL DAYS MISSED	85%	VERY

## 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!

### **In-School Updates: This Week**



In Year 6 last week, the children were visited by Mrs Lawson and Mr Truan - two members of the Senior Management Team from Radcliffe secondary school. The visit enables the Year 6 students to ask the senior leaders questions about the transition process and also find out about all the incredible opportunities they have ahead of them next year.

-such as one of the many science experiments the children look at, known as 'Elephants Toothpaste'. The Radcliffe Schools' Year 5/6 Open Day (just for parents and carers ) is on October 15th and the Year 6 Open Evening (for the whole family) is on October 16th

In Year 5, we have been learning about online safety in Computing. After discussing ways to stay safe online, such as not sharing personal information, we used the glitter analogy: once you put something on the internet, it is very hard to "clean it up" or remove it. The children worked hard to tidy up the glitter, but by the end of the day, there was still some left on the floor - a useful lesson learnt.





This week Year 3 have kickstarted their science learning about the body. We have looked at different animal skeletons and read up on some facts about endangered animals. We have also built our own skeleton and discussed how our bones and joints fit together. We looked at another wordsearch to learn and discuss key vocabulary. As we are also looking at healthy eating, we looked at what food we ate yesterday, ready to learn more about a healthy balanced diet. The children have also been looking at the story of Chinese new year and in preparation for an in class performance we have been practicing five note scales on glockenspiels!



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### Hard work from school council – and all of you!

#### Macmillan:

The school council would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who donated their goods and then bought and donated to Macmillian. Our 'Coffee and Cake' event raised a total of £375.58! This will go a long way to support people and their families during some of their most difficult times.

#### School Council:

School council have been busy this week designing and organising posters ready for their next event: Hanslope Harvest! Look out in future newsletters for more information.







### Dates for your calendar

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

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.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October** – KS1 parents invited to school to see writing progression (more details sent in school comms)

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October** – Yr 3/4 parents invited to school to see writing progression (more details sent in school comms)

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – Yr 5/6 parents invited to school to see writing progression (more details sent in school comms)

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Assembly (school community only)
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Parents' Evening (more details to follow)
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Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Term Ends Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Term Starts