

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

Spring 1 2023 – Week 4

HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

An Exciting Delivery for Foundation!

Holly and Maple class were very happy this week to take delivery of a new piece of equipment in their outdoor area!

This will continue to help children develop their gross and fine motor control. The children are so excited to get climbing and exploring!



Extreme Reading Competition

This is a gentle reminder of the Extreme Reading Challenge that is open to all children (from Foundation to Year 6) and staff members at Hanslope. Can you get a picture of yourself reading your book in unusual and out-of-the-ordinary places? The more creative – the better! We would love for families to get involved as well so please feel free to join in. Children can bring in a hard copy of their photographs (not digital please) throughout the course of the term and give them to their class teacher. All of the photographs will be used to create a fantastic display! The deadline for entries is **Friday 3rd February**. A prize will be awarded for the best entry in each class.

Thank you for your support.
Miss Hudson and Mrs Pearson



TTRockstars



Congratulations to **Hawthorn**, who were the winners of TTRockstars Garage Challenge last week!

Weekly Attendance Figures

Our whole school attendance is sitting at a reasonable level so far, but it is below our target of 95% or more for the end of this academic year. Below is a breakdown of each class's attendance this week. Although no class had 100% attendance this week, well done to **Larch** class who were exceptionally close!

	Holly	91.1%
	Maple	91.6%
	Larch	99.4%
	Laurel	96.3%
	Alder	97.9%
	Elm	95%
	Oak	98.2%
	Rowan	90.5%
	Cedar	93.3%
	Redwood	95.4%
	Blackthorn	96%
	Hawthorn	91.7%
	Lime	97.4%
	Poplar	92.5%
School Total		94.6%

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!

MK SEND Information Day

MK Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Day

Saturday 4th February at The Ridgeway Centre, Wolverton

Timings: 9:15am – 3:45pm

MK SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (MK SENDIAS) and PACA MK (Parent Carer Forum) are holding their annual information event for children and young people with a SEN or disability and their parents and carers. The theme for the 2023 event is: Let's talk SEND - your personal journey.

The Mayor of MK will open the event, which will then be followed by a keynote speech and dance performance by 'What's The Drama!' group.

There will be many information stands and representatives from local organisations, health service teams, council statutory services and national charities to offer support and information to families attending the event.

The workshops will run in the morning and afternoon. The sessions for parents/carers on various topics will be delivered by specialist teachers, educational psychologists and occupational therapists etc.

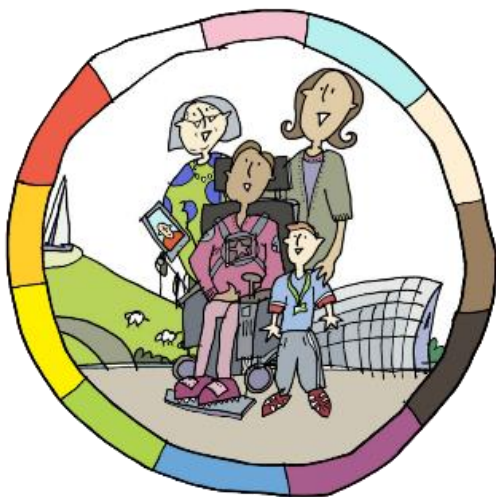
There will be a huge amount of activities for children and young people to enjoy, such as: crafts, gymnastics, and dance.

There will be a sensory space (drop-in), FREE crèche for parents to book as well as a FREE lunch. Refreshments will also be provided.

For more information and to book your place please visit <https://www.mksendinfoday.co.uk/>

Workshop and crèche places must be pre-booked to avoid disappointment. The booking system will **open from Tuesday 17 January and close on Tuesday 31st January 2023 at 5pm**. If you would like to know more, please **contact: MK SENDIAS contact@mksendias.org.uk or PACA pacamk@gmail.com.**

#MKSENDinfoday



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Safer Internet Day 2023

Safer Internet Day 2023 is celebrated on **7th February 2023**, with thousands of people across the UK working together to champion youth voice and engage in conversations about how we can all work together to make the internet a great and safe place.

It is a fantastic opportunity to focus on online safety with your child, whatever their age. We will be celebrating this day in school by completing a variety of activities, all centred around this year's theme: **'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'**.

To help continue on from the work we do in school, the UK Safer Internet Centre (<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023>) has created a range of pages to help you start up an e-safety conversation with your child – whatever that may be about, and no matter how much time you have.

So, why not take this opportunity to listen to children and young people and make positive change together!



Parent's Evening – S&L Drop-In

Sophie Gager (our school speech and language consultant) will be available in the School Library during parents evening on **Tuesday 7th February** from 3.30pm-6pm.

Sophie will be available for short drop-in sessions during this time if you wish to speak to her with any concerns or questions.

If your appointment is Wednesday evening, please still feel free to pop in and speak to Sophie.

Thank you.

Your Weekly Guide from the Digital Leaders

The nationwide campaign ([#WakeUpWednesday](#)) from the National Online Safety Community provides expert advice on the latest platforms and online risks that parents and carers need to know about through engaging and content-rich design.

Here at Hanslope, our Digital Leaders will select a guide to be published in our newsletter each week which gives guidance on how to keep children safe online. The first one they have chosen is tips on how to build cyber resilience at home.

BUILDING CYBER RESILIENCE AT HOME

As a society, we're increasingly using technology and tech services in the home. Digital assistants which can adjust the heating or turn lights on and off; streaming services for shows and movies on demand; games consoles; smart speakers; phones; laptops ... the list goes on. As we introduce each new gizmo to our homes, however, we increase the level of threat from cyber criminals. It's essential, therefore, that we learn to become more cyber resilient in relation to the devices and digital services that the people in our household use.

WHAT IS 'CYBER RESILIENCE'?

Cyber resilience focuses on three key areas: reducing the likelihood of a cyber attack gaining access to our accounts, devices or data; reducing the potential impact of a cyber incident; and making the recovery from a cyber attack easier, should we ever fall victim to one.

- 1. PASSWORDS: LONGER AND LESS PREDICTABLE**
The longer, less common and predictable a password is, the more difficult it becomes for cyber criminals to crack. The National Cyber Security Centre's 'three random words' guidelines are ideal for creating a long password which is easy to remember but hard to guess.
- 2. AVOID RE-USING PASSWORDS**
When you use the same password across different logins, your cyber resilience is only as strong as the security of the weakest site or service you've signed up for. If cyber criminals gain access your username and password for one site or service, they'll definitely try them on others.
- 3. USE A PASSWORD MANAGER**
A good way to juggle different passwords for every site or service you use is to have a password manager. This software stores all your passwords for you, so you simply need to remember the master password. LastPass, Dashlane, iPassword and Keeper are all excellent password managers.
- 4. BACK UP YOUR DATA**
Keep a copy of your data using OneDrive, Google Drive or another reputable cloud-based storage solution. If it's extremely important or sensitive information, you could even decide to keep more than one back-up version – by saving it to a removable USB drive or similar device, for example.
- 5. ENABLE MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (MFA)**
Multi-factor authentication is where you need access to your phone (to receive a code, for example) or another source to confirm your identity. This makes it far more difficult for cyber criminals to gain entry to your accounts and your data, even if they do manage to get your username and password.
- 6. CHOOSE RECOVERY QUESTIONS WISELY**
Some services let you set 'recovery questions' – such as your birthplace or a pet's name – in case you forget your password. Take care not to use information you might have mentioned (or are likely to in future) on social media. More unpredictable answers make cyber criminals' task far harder.
- 7. SET UP SECONDARY ACCOUNTS**
Some services provide the facility to add secondary accounts, phone numbers and so on to help with potentially recovering your account. Make sure you set these up: they will be vital if you're having trouble logging in or if you're trying to take back control of your account after a cyber attack.
- 8. KEEP HAVING FUN WITH TECH**
Consider our tips in relation to the gadgets and online services your household uses. Protect yourself and your family, and don't let the bad guys win: devices are not only integral to modern life but also a lot of fun – so as long as you keep safety and security in mind, don't stop enjoying your tech.
- 9. CHECK FOR BREACHES**
You can check if your personal information has been involved in any known data breaches by entering your email address at www.haveibeenpwned.com (yes, that spelling is correct!). It's useful if you're worried about a possible attack – or simply as motivation to review your account security.
- 10. CHANGE DEFAULT IOT PASSWORDS**
Devices from the 'Internet of Things' (IoT), such as 'smart' home appliances, are often supplied with default passwords. This makes them quicker to set up, but also less secure – criminals can identify these standard passwords more easily, so change them on your IoT devices as soon as possible.
- 11. KEEP HOME DEVICES UPDATED**
Download official software updates for your household's mobile phones, laptops, consoles and other internet-enabled devices regularly. Security improvements and fixes are a key feature of these updates – so by ensuring each device is running the latest version, you're making them more secure.
- 12. STAY SCEPTICAL**
Cyber criminals commonly use various methods, including emails, text messages and social media posts. Be cautious of any messages or posts that are out of the ordinary, offer something too good to be true or emphasise urgency – even if they appear to come from someone you know.

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

Tuesday 31st January 2023	MK Lightning Ice Hockey Assembly
Friday 3rd February 2023	Courtney Tulloch in – ‘Sports for Champions’ Event
Tuesday 7th February 2023	3:30 – 6:00pm – Parents Evening – booking has been live since Monday 23rd January.
Wednesday 8th February 2023	4:00 – 7:00pm – Parents Evening – booking has been live since Monday 23rd January.
Friday 10th February 2023	TERM ENDS
Monday 20th February 2023	TERM STARTS
Thursday 2nd March 2023	World Book Day (Non – uniform, although dressing up is optional). More details to follow.
Friday 17th March 2023	Comic Relief – more details to follow.
Friday 31st March 2023	TERM ENDS



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