

Community Resilience  
Respect Learning Creativity  
Integrity Potential

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

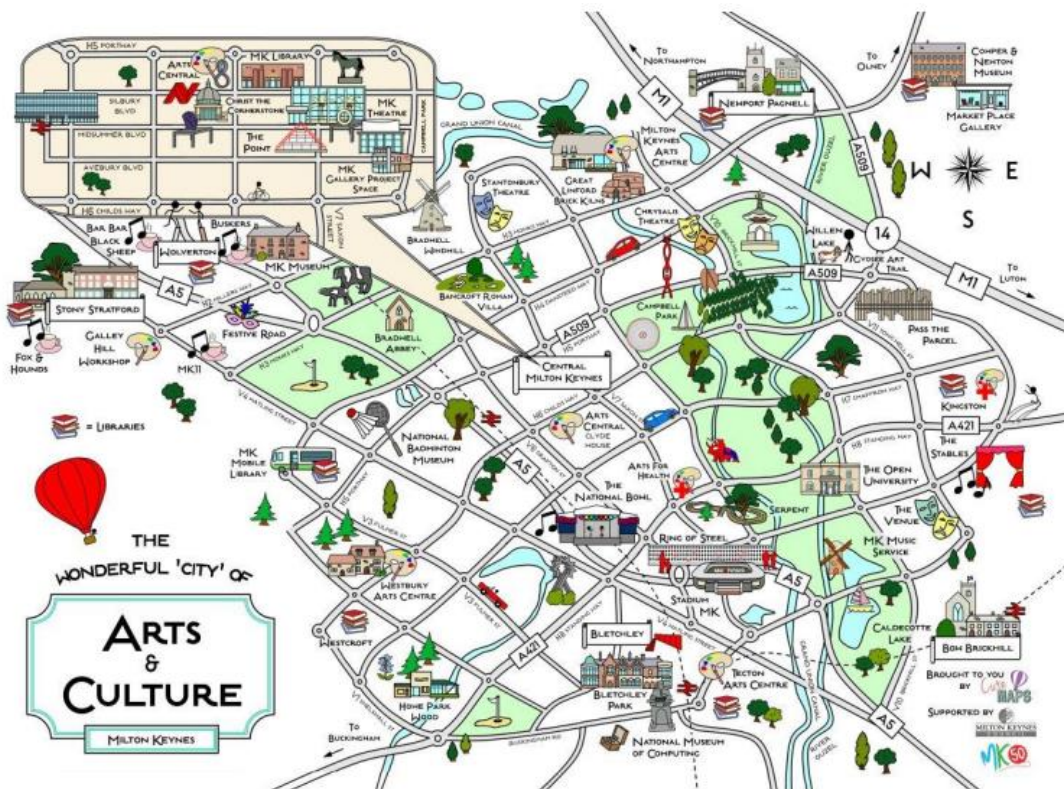
**Spring 2 2023 – Week 2**

## HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Milton Keynes' Cultural Offering!

We live in (or near to) a growing city that hosts a wealth of cultural organisations and venues, including: world-class contemporary art galleries; museums; theatres; art centres; heritage sites; performance and dance spaces; community arts facilities; artist run studios and workshops!

Take a look at current arts and heritage listings at [Destination MK website](https://www.destinationmiltonkeynes.co.uk/) here:  
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# Wellbeing Seminar

To Parents and Carers,

This is a reminder of the **Wellbeing Seminar – ‘The Five Ways of Wellbeing’** – that is taking place on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** **between 9am and 10.30am** in Salcey Hall.

Everyone is welcome.



## 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 on the last week of Spring 1. Well done to **Rowan** class for their 100% attendance rate!

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|  | Holly      | 97.9% |
|  | Maple      | 94.7% |
|  | Larch      | 97.6% |
|  | Laurel     | 96.3% |
|  | Alder      | 99.5% |
|  | Elm        | 97.6% |
|  | Oak        | 97.7% |
|  | Rowan      | 100%  |
|  | Cedar      | 92.9% |
|  | Redwood    | 97.5% |
|  | Blackthorn | 95%   |
|  | Hawthorn   | 95.2% |
|  | Lime       | 96.8% |
|  | Poplar     | 98%   |

**School Total**

**96.8%**

## 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?**

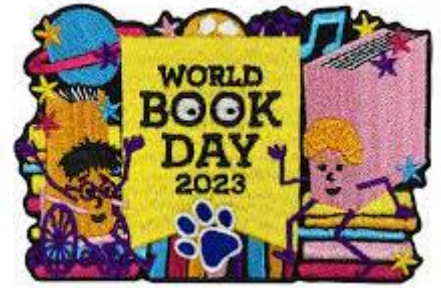
In fact, if your child misses just one day in the week it equates to them missing **20%**, with their weekly attendance sitting at just **80%**.

**Remember: every day counts!**

# World Book Day

As we are celebrating **World Book Day** during the week of **27th Feb – 3rd March**, this is just a reminder about the 'Booky Breakfast' that is taking place on **Thursday 2nd March from 8:30 am until 9:00am**. This is a chance to have a simple brioche breakfast and share a story with your child in our hall. Details for this are in a separate parents' communication.

With the Booky Breakfast taking place in Salcey Hall on **Thursday morning, 2nd March**. The All Weather Pitch entrance will not be open in the morning. It will be open again in the evening.



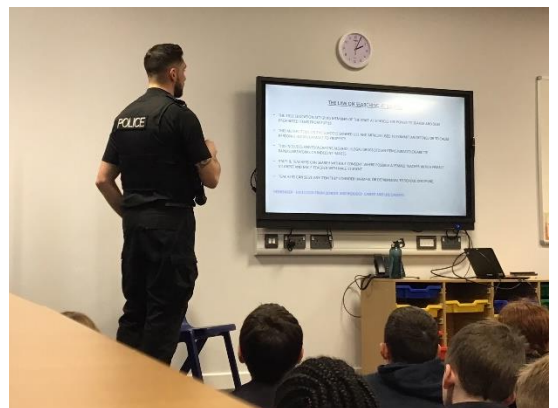
Also, a note to remember the 'book swap' taking place on Friday of this week. Your child (during the week) can bring a book they no longer read into school and can choose another one to take home on Friday.

Any questions, please feel free to contact either of us or your child's class teacher.

Miss Hudson and Mrs Pearson

## Knife-Crime Awareness for Years 5 and 6

On Friday, Years 5 and 6 were fortunate to have a representative from the Thames Valley Police deliver an assembly about knife crime awareness. The children asked some very insightful questions, and found the assembly very interesting.



"It was very interesting, especially hearing from a professional's perspective." (Phoebe, Blackthorn)  
"I found it interesting to learn about certain laws surrounding knife crime." (James L, Blackthorn)

## School Start/Finishing Times

***A reminder of timings for all parents and carers:***

**8.35am:** School gates open (both on Salcey and by the All-Weather)

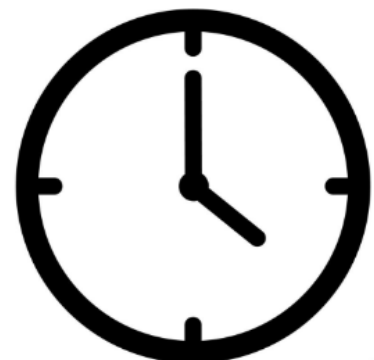
**8.45am:** Children lined up and brought into school – gates shut shortly after

**8.55am:** The school day begins

**3.05pm:** School gates open for parents (both on Salcey and by the All-Weather)

**3.10pm:** School day ends for Foundation Stage

**3.15am:** School day ends for Year 1-6



# 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.

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| <b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>    | <b>TERM STARTS</b>   |
| <b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023</b> | <b>Year 6 SATS Information Evening</b>   |
| <b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023</b>      | <b>World Book Day (Non – uniform, although dressing up is optional). More details to follow.</b> |
| <b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023</b>        | <b>Mental Health Seminar for Parents – 9am-10.30am</b>   |
| <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>        | <b>Courtney Tulloch (to visit in the PM)</b>   |
| <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>     | <b>Foundation Afternoon Tea (details to follow)</b>  |
| <b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>       | <b>Comic Relief – more details to follow.</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023</b>    | <b>Wheel Power (wheelchair sports) Assembly @ 10am</b>   |
| <b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>       | <b>Science Week</b>  |
| <b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>      | <b>Holly and Maple - Trip to Woad Farm</b>   |
| <b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>       | <b>TERM ENDS</b>   |



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