

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

**Summer 2 2023 – Week 6**

## HANSLOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Sports Day Winners!



A very BIG congratulations to **Squirrel** House, who were the overall winners on Sports Day this year! Here are the two Year 6 house captains – Summer and Alfie – holding up the **new** House Cup!



### Important Transition Information

**Transition information** for this year is as follows:

**On the afternoon of Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** the children will be transitioning to their new classes for the following Academic Year. **On the morning of Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July** the children will continue with their transition activities, and will return to their '22-'23 class after lunchtime.

**On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 3:30pm - 5:00pm** all teachers will be in Salcey Hall if you would like to drop in and meet your child's new teacher.



# Summer Reading Challenge – Ready, Set, Read!

Please see below for some exciting information on a reading challenge for the Summer Holidays:

Summer Reading Challenge 2023

## Ready, Set, Read!

Presented by The Reading Agency.  
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

**Ready, Set, Read!** (a sports and games themed Challenge that aims to keep children's minds and bodies active over the summer break) is this year's Reading Agency Summer Reading Challenge that asks children to read at least 6 library books during the summer holidays.

Children signing up for the challenge at their local library are given a folder and collect stickers as they read which will enable them to help our team of characters cross the obstacle course and collect the 6 golden book stickers.

After reading 6 books children are presented with (while stocks last!) a medal and a certificate of reading achievement and for 2023 children will also be presented with a copy of Rebel Girls Kick it.



*Thanks to a partnership with The Reading Agency and Nike.*

Children can sign up from **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** and should complete the challenge by **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September**. They can take part at any Milton Keynes Library (remember Woughton Library is located in the Farthing Enterprise Centre in Netherfield) during staffed hours.

Taking part increases children's reading confidence, skill and enjoyment. It motivates them to read, inspires creative responses to books, and helps to minimise the "summer learning dip."

Below is a summary of **Ready, Set, Read!** Summer Reading Challenge.

Who is it for?

- The challenge is for children of all ages and it is free to join.

What do they do?

- Aim to read 6 library books during the school holidays; these can be whatever interests them: stories or information books, graphic novels, eBooks or audio books.

What do they get?

- Each time they finish a book they collect a sticker.
- Halfway through they will receive a bookmark
- Once they read six books they will receive a certificate, a medal and a copy of Rebel Girls Kick It (while stocks last!).

Does it cost anything?

- It's free to join the library and borrow books but a child's parent/carer needs to fill out a form on the child's behalf.
- It is also FREE to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge

**Useful Links:**

<https://readingagency.org.uk/resources/?programme=src&audience=school-teachers> free downloadable resources on The Reading Agency's website

[www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk) has book recommendations, games and information for parent/carers and schools.

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/libraries/nearest-library> Library info including locations and opening times

<https://miltonkeynes.spydus.co.uk/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/JOIN> online joining form

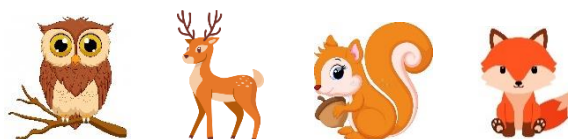
<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/libraries/learn-research/elibrary> info about online library resources including eBooks and eAudio books.

## TTRockstars



Final results will be available in the last Newsletter of the Academic Year!

## House-Points



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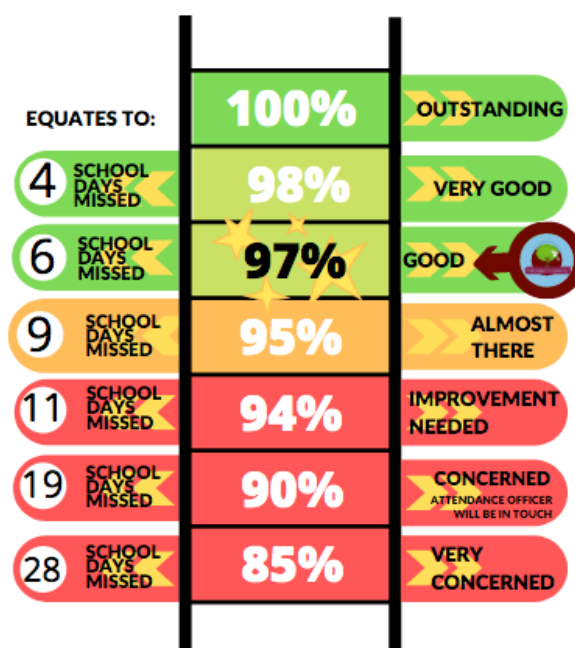
## Weekly Attendance Figures

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 from last week. Well done to Cedar class for having the highest attendance rate!

	Holly	91.1%
	Maple	90%
	Larch	90%
	Laurel	96.7%
	Alder	93.9%
	Elm	95.4%
	Oak	91.4%
	Rowan	87.1%
	Cedar	99.1%
	Redwood	97.5%
	Blackthorn	95.5%
	Hawthorn	88%
	Lime	76.8% (transition days inc)
	Poplar	68.5% (transition days inc)

**School Total**

**90.2%**



## 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; going forwards, this will be a regular assembly at the start of each half term!**

# 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.

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports are to be sent home Ice Lolly Sale
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Public Speaking Competition Transition Afternoon – New Classes 'New to Year 3' Parent Meeting
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Morning – New Classes 'New to Foundation' Parent Meeting – 11am Meet your child's teacher (academic year '23/'24) – 3.30pm-5.00pm in Salcey Hall
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	'It's Your Move' – Year 6 Transition Morning – Workshop
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (school-time AM) All Parents Welcome Year 6 Leavers party (school-time PM) – More details to follow.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of Term – Day finishes at normal time
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	INSET DAY
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Children start
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Foundation 1:1 pre-booked appointments with the Foundation Stage Staff
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Foundation children start



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