

HENLEY IN ARDEN C OF E PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we have reached the end of the academic year I want to say how proud I am of every child at Henley! This week has provided many opportunities to reflect on the past year and the many successes the school has had. We have had 2 inspections, both Ofsted and SIAMs, who recognised the many strengths of our school. It isn't without the hard work and dedication of all staff that this happens.

Today we say goodbye to our Year 6 children. As they embark on the next step of their journey I would like to say how much of a pleasure it has been for you all to be a part of Henley Primary! I special thank you to Natasha and Jenson for their fantastic work as head boy and head girl this year.

I am pleased to share with you next year's Year 6 leaders:

Head Boy: Ollie Supperstone **Head Girl:** Amelia Payne

Deputy: Josh Retallack **Deputy:** Ameliya Hodgson

House Captains: Arden - Luke Riley, Beaudsert - Georgia Smith, DeMontfort - Billy Brackstone

Ambassadors: Aaron Brackstone, Austin Yorke, Euan McHale, Frankie Lovell, Rian Summers, Rosie Easton

May I wish you all a very happy summer break. I hope we have the chance to enjoy some sunshine. We look forward to seeing all of the children again on Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Kate Adcock



FRIDAY 19TH JULY 2024

Class of 2024

Goodbye Year 6!





Value Champions of the Year

Nursery - Elliot
 Reception - Ernie
 Year 1 - Isabelle
 Year 2 - Rimika
 Year 3 - Esmay
 Year 4 - Rauri
 Year 5 - Ameliya
 Year 6 - Max



Stars of the Year

Nursery - Leo
 Reception - Sienna
 Year 1 - Rose
 Year 2 - Otis
 Year 3 - Phoebe
 Year 4 - Oliviai
 Year 5 - Josh
 Year 6 - Eva



Year 6 Awards

Reading Award - Will P
 Creative Writing award - Natasha
 Maths Award - Jenson
 Science Award - Will F
 D+T, Art Award - Ellis
 Creative Arts Award - Louie
 Creativity Award - Freya
 Sports Shield - Noah
 Empathy and Kindness Award - Lucy

Venture Cup - Remmy
 KS2 Progress Award - Alesha
 Progress Award - Stan
 Courage Cup - Isabel
 Work Ethic and Effort Award - Poppy
 Work Ethic and Effort Award - Alyssia
 Resilience Cup - Callum
 Determination Cup - Tyler
 Value Champion - Max
 Star of the Year - Eva

Well done!



5019

Arden

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Beaudesert

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Demontfort

Reporting Concerns

If you have a worry or concern, please speak to the class teacher at the end of the day. If you are not satisfied that your concern has been dealt with then please make an appointment with Mrs Griffin as our Assistant Head teacher. If you are still not happy, then you can make an appointment with myself through the main office. If you have a concern regarding your child's additional needs, please contact our SENCO Mrs Gray.

We have been awarded the Gold Award in the Safe and Active Schools Programme. We have also received a Long Service Award for being active participants of the programme for 7 years.



Values 2024-2025



Diary Dates can now be found on the school website using this link:
<https://www.henleyinardenprimary.org.uk/diary/grid/2024/9/>

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court clarified has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 2017). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is their responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2023-24

It is important to note, Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days). Where a Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2024-25

The law relating to Penalty Notices is due to change with effect from 1 September 2024. Therefore Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absences taken after this date will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.

- Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).
 - oFirst Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.
 - oSecond Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days.No reduced amount,
- Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.
- Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice) A penalty notices will be not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.