



NEWSLETTER



Welcome

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. It has been lovely to welcome everyone back after the Easter break. What a brilliant week it has been! Children have shown such positivity towards their learning and we are so proud of the work we have seen this week. I would like to give a special mention to the children in Year 6, who are all showing amazing dedication and commitment to their learning and SATs revision sessions. Well done all!

This half term's value is collaboration. This is something that is so important to us as a school. In every part of school life, we want to encourage our children, families and staff to collaborate so that we can all get the best out of each other. We are so grateful to all of you for your support and the strong sense of community we have at Halsnead.

Finally, I would like to say a massive well done to our whole school family on raising over £900 for our school through our Easter raffles. What an achievement!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mr Catt

Strive to Achieve

 **BANK HOLIDAY** 

Remember this coming Monday 2nd May is a bank holiday so school will be closed. We will see you on Tuesday 3rd May 2022.



The Heath Family (NW)
A Multi-Academy Trust

Scooters/Bikes

If your child is bringing their scooter or bike into school, please ensure it is taken to the bike lock up next to the football pitch on the junior playground. This is locked during the day. Bikes and scooters cannot be left in the reception foyer.

Health and Safety Notice

Please note, dogs are not allowed on the school premises at any time. Also to ensure safety, please note children should not go on the bark area on the infant playground at the end of the day.

Family Learning

Family learning are once again offering parent and carer courses via Zoom this half term. Please find attached the two leaflets with more information. These courses will be offered to Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) and Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6).

Knowsley Flower Show Schedule 2022

Please follow the link to find out more information:
www.knowsleyflowershow.com

Attendance for this Week

Week beginning **25th April 2022**

Congratulations to **3 4 ET** who achieved **99.1%** attendance — well done!

Overall school attendance was **95%**

OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET IS: **97%**

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Miss Thorneycroft 99.1

Reception - Miss Lucas 98.9

Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan 97.4

Year 3 - Miss Keenan 96.7

Year 1 - Mrs Kendall 96.4

Reception - Mrs Wills 95.6

Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty 94.5

Year 2 - Miss Spencer 94.3

Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas 93.2

Year 4 - Mrs Redmond 91.5

Year 4 - Mr Owen 90.9

Social Media Misuse

Today a letter was sent home to children in Years 3-6 regarding the inappropriate use of the internet and misuse of social media. This normally happens from home or on children's mobile devices during evenings, weekends and holidays, not in school.

Staff at Halsnead have no jurisdiction to deal with incidents that occur online, and do not need to investigate it. The responsibility for monitoring a child's use of social media, or indeed the internet in general, must lie with parents and carers.

The age restrictions for most social media platforms is 13 and for Whatsapp is 16. Therefore, children at Halsnead should not be accessing any social media.

Family Learning Courses/Workshops for parents of children in Nursery and Reception

All sessions are free and available to all!

Letters and Sounds one off workshop

This one off workshop introduces you to phonics. Find out how your child is being taught phonics in school and how you can help them at home. The session will be delivered via zoom and last for one hour. See the timetable below.

One off parenting workshop

This workshop will explore positive parenting strategies, support you to put boundaries in place and give you suggestions of what you can do when your child misbehaves. A two hour workshop delivered via zoom.

Ready to Learn one off workshop

Ready to Learn is a one- off workshop for parent/carers of children in Nursery and Reception. Throughout the workshop you will be given ideas of how you can support your child to learn. How to give praise and make learning fun. The session will be delivered via zoom and last for one hour.

Making Games for Learning

Making Games for Learning is a three-week course and will be delivered via zoom and will last for one hour. Throughout the course, you will make simple, fun learning games/activities to develop and support your child's English and Maths. All resources will be provided FREE of charge.

If you are interested in any of these courses/workshops, please choose the day and time that best suits you and contact the relevant tutor.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Letters and sounds 3 rd May 10-11am Annmaria Miller		Ready to Learn 5 th May 10-11am Ann Curley Making Games for Learning 12 th , 19 th and 26 th May 10-11am Ann Curley	Parenting workshop 6 th May 10am-12pm Sharon Fitzgerald
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All sessions are free and available to all!

Understand the teenage brain This 1 off workshop explores changes to the brain which effect how our young people behave. Be prepared and receive ideas on how we can support our young people. The session will be delivered via zoom and last for one hour. See the timetable below.

Connect 5 – A 4 week course which helps to build resilience in families. Explore how to recognise and support our young people experiencing stress. Gain ideas to support the whole family to have positive emotional health and wellbeing. The course is delivered once a week for one hour via zoom.

Key Stage 2 Maths course

Key Stage 2 maths is a 2 week course for parent/carers of children in Y3 to Y6. Throughout the workshops you will be given ideas of how you can support your child to develop their maths skills. Sessions will cover the 4 areas of number. The sessions will be delivered via zoom and last for 2 hours.

All resources will be provided FREE of charge.

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	Teenage Brain 3 rd May 10-11am Sharon Fitzgerald KS2 Maths 10 th and 17 th May 10am-12pm Annamaria Miller			
Teenage Brain 16th May 1pm-2pm Sharon Fitzgerald		KS2 Maths 11th and 18 th May 12.30-2.30pm Annamaria Miller	Connect 5 5 th , 12 th , 19 th , 26 th May 1-3pm Sharon Fitzgerald	

VALUE AWARDS

Robbie Respect



Colleen Collaboration



Andy Aspiration



India Integrity



Keaton Kindness



Rose Resilience



Our School Values - Respect, Resilience, Aspiration, Collaboration, Integrity, Kindness

Half Term Value - Collaboration

Value Behaviour of the Week: We work well in a group and encourage each other.

Nursery - Mrs Hoang

Bobby R: Bobby - You have had such a fantastic week in our nursery. You have shown all of our school values in just one week. What a fantastic start to your Halsnead journey. Well done Bobby we are extremely proud of you.

Lily C: Lily you have shown you can be just like Colleen Collaboration this week. You are such a kind and caring young lady. This week we have observed you working with your friends and sharing our nursery resources. Well done superstar!

Reception - Miss Lucas

Wesley R: You have been an absolute superstar this week Wesley! You have shown all our school values, but particularly Colleen Collaboration. You have worked extremely well in small groups during learning time and this has transferred across to your play-based learning. It was such a joy to watch you engage, encourage, share and laugh with your friends whilst creating bubbles in our water tray.

Keep it up! Well done!

Jacob M: Jacob, you have made us all very proud this week! You have been working brilliantly with your friends during English group time discussions. It has been lovely watching your confidence grow and the language we have heard is exceptional! Just like Colleen Collaboration, you have been excited to share fun moments with your friends and you have encouraged them to join in. Well done Jacob!

Reception - Mrs Wills

Patrick B: Patrick - What a great week you have had to start this new term. It has been lovely to see you showing others how to be Colleen Collaboration. Just like this value star, you work well in a group by waiting for your turn and sharing equipment fairly. Well done Patrick, you are an enthusiastic class member.

Oliver G: Oliver - It is refreshing to see how you have demonstrated our new school value this week, well done. Colleen Collaboration is a very important value as she likes to encourage others to join in activities and work as a team. With your friends this week, you have been very enthusiastic when learning in both the small and large construction areas. Your imaginative ideas has meant that the models created have come to life!

Year 1 - Mrs Kendall

Oliver B: For always showing excellent collaboration skills. You are kind, patient and friendly. You always contribute to Class discussions and you help others when needed.

Logan McC: For always making the right choices and supporting your friends in collaborative work especially in our maths lessons. I love listening to you supporting your friends and helping them to be successful in their learning.

Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas

Amelia-Rose S: This term we are focussing on Colleen Collaboration, and Colleen understands that one small act can make an enormous difference. Returning from a school break can be daunting and this week Amelia-Rose has offered kindness to friends in the classroom who have felt worried or upset. Well done Amelia-Rose for thinking of others and making a difference!

Nancy McE: Nancy always has her listening ears switched on and she truly values the opinions of everyone around her. Colleen Collaboration would be immensely proud of Nancy who showcases our school values everywhere! Thank you Nancy for taking care of your friends and me!!!

Year 2 - Miss Spencer

George G: George loves to work collaboratively. He loves to help his friends out when they are unsure and is very patient when doing so. He knows it's important to work as a team in order to solve problems and listens carefully to what others have to say. Well done George - as always, I am so proud of you.

Eliza O'L: Just like Colleen Collaboration, Eliza loves to share her stories about her experiences. She knows it is important to form her own opinion on what she learns but also to listen to what others have to say. She works very well with her partner and loves to challenge others with questions such as 'What if...'. I am so proud of you Eliza - keep being you!

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Year 3 - Miss Keenan

Isabella R: - Collaboration - Isabella has worked extremely hard this week. She continues to blow me away with her commitment to her studies. Isabella has thrived collaborating with others and shows great knowledge of the work she has been tasked with and enjoys sharing that information with others.

Alyvia F: - Collaboration - Alyvia you have been amazing this week! Your English has been the stand out piece of work! When tasked with a challenge you enjoy discussing it with your partner and working together to get the best outcome for both. Superb work!

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Miss Thorneycroft

Brandon P: Brandon, you have shown collaboration this week by helping others and working in a team. In maths you have put your collaboration skills to the test, you have worked collaboratively with others to solve problems and share ideas. Your commitment to collaboration has expanded beyond the classroom too, showing all of Coleen Collaboration's qualities on the playground! It has been wonderful watching you collaborate with those around you, sharing your own ideas and listening to others. You have really stood out to me this week Brandon, I am so proud of you - well done!

Isaac M: Isaac, this week you have displayed both India Integrity and Coleen Collaboration! Just like India, you make the right choices and do the right thing... even when nobody is watching! It is your collaboration skills in particular that have shone this week. You are eager to help others and share your ideas. Likewise, you are able to appreciate other people's ideas and listen to what others have to say. A great start to the term, keep up the good work!

Year 4 - Mrs Redmond

Mikey B: Mikey - Wow! What a week - I have been so proud of your incredible attitude to learning this week. You have shown superb collaboration - listening well, working with your friends and contributing with enthusiasm to class discussions. Keep up all your hard work!

Lucy McE: Lucy - You have started this summer term with a bang! You have been a role model of learning - curious, resilient, and aspirational! You demonstrate collaboration in all lessons - well done, Lucy - keep up your hard work!

Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan

Ruby R: Ruby has shown collaboration in abundance this week. She has helped others by showing them her retrieval techniques in focused reading, supported others in English who were off the day before to catch them up with their learning, and as always, has been a fantastic play leader.

Joel J: Joel has impressed us so much since starting back. He is showing determination to produce the best pieces of writing that he can and is putting much more time and care into his work. However, he stood out to us this week for his work in maths. He has been absolutely smashing it with our '8 in 6 fraction challenge' each day and has taken the time to support others at his table, providing impressive, detailed descriptions of how to work out each calculation so that the others around him can learn and be successful.

Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

Olivia D: Olivia has showed fantastic collaboration skills this week. I have been particularly impressed with how she worked alongside her peers when revising for her SATs. Olivia always offers her help where she can and gives 100% to all she does. Well done Olivia, keep it up!

Leighton N: Leighton has had a great week. He was very impressive during a class debate where he explained why we shouldn't use plastic. I was impressed with the collaboration with his peers and how he conducted himself. Well done Leighton, keep it up!

Year 6 - Mr Owen

Tommy I: Tommy has worked incredibly well with others this week. He has supported members of his group, shared his knowledge and learned from others. Tommy has shown a real pride in his learning and is reaping the rewards of all of his effort. Well done Tommy - Keep it up!

Adam B: Adam has worked really hard this week and has shown fantastic collaboration skills. Adam has not only worked well with his peers, but with adults in 1:1 groups and has shown incredible progress in just a few days. I am so proud of your attitude this week Adam, well done!