



NEWSLETTER



Welcome

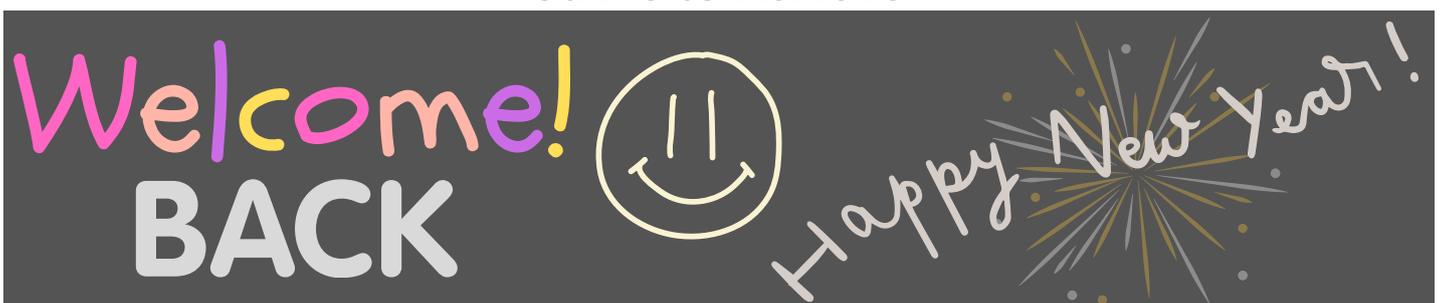
Happy new year! We want to wish you all the very best for the upcoming year. We are certainly feeling optimistic that 2022 will be a fantastic year for Halsnead Primary School.

Well done to all our children for all of the hard work that has gone into this week. It can sometimes be tricky coming back to school after a long holiday, and we are proud of the way that our children have come back this week. There has been so much hard work and enthusiasm reported all around the school. We have loved seeing such brilliant attitudes to learning all round.

At the start of a new year, I want to mention the importance of two things that make a huge difference to children's education - attendance and reading. It is so important that children are in school every day. Time off school has a big impact on children's development, both academically and socially. We are here to help and support getting all of our children into school every day. Please contact us if you require any support regarding attendance. Please also continue to read at home with your child. This has such a significant impact on children's learning, and we are really thankful to parents and carers for your support with reading at home. We are launching a whole school reading challenge very soon so watch this space.

I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Strive to Achieve



School Admission Procedures - Primary Closing 15th January 2022

Please note that the closing date for Reception place applications for the September 2022 intake is fast approaching; **Sunday 15th January 2022**. Please follow the link to apply online: <https://parentportal.knowsley.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home>
Please see the attached poster for more information and if you have any questions or queries contact the Knowsley School Admissions Team or School.

PARENT GOVERNOR Vacancy

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy that will commence in February 2022. Due to the Christmas period, the application deadline has now been extended to next **Friday 14th January 2022**. If you are interested in the position, please contact school. For more information regarding the position see the attached advert.

Attendance for this Week

Week beginning **5th January 2022**.

Congratulations to **3 ET** who achieved **96.1%** attendance — well done!

Overall school attendance was **91.6%**

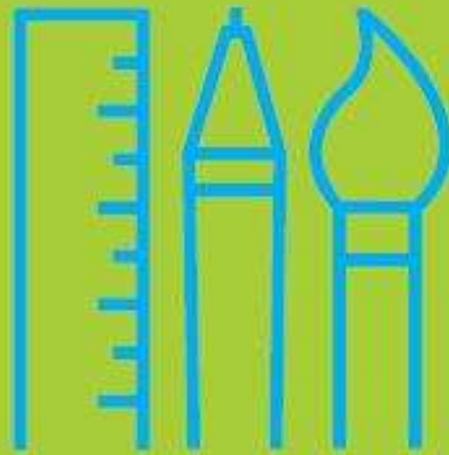
OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET IS: **97%**

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill & Miss Thorneycroft	96.1
Reception - Miss Lucas	95.5
Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty	94.4
Reception - Mrs Wills	94.3
Year 2 - Miss Spencer	93.9
Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas	93.1
Year 4 - Mrs Redmond	92
Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan	90.5
Year 6 - Mr Owen	87.9
Year 1 - Mrs Kendall	85.3
Year 3 - Miss Keenan	84.8



The Heath Family (NW)
A Multi-Academy Trust





Parents of pre school children
It's time to apply for a school reception class place
September 2022 Intake

Knowsley residents - Apply online by visiting www.knowsley.gov.uk

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2022

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, now is the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2022.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery – everyone must apply between 12 September 2021 and 15 January 2022 by completing the application form of the Local Authority in which you live.
- Knowsley residents should apply by accessing the online application portal via the Knowsley website www.knowsley.gov.uk.
- It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure they have read the admission policy of each school they are considering applying for and provided all the information required to support their application – this may include completing a supplementary information form with some individual schools where requested.
- For full information about the application and allocation process and admission policies for individual schools, visit the school admission pages at www.knowsley.gov.uk and access the 'Knowsley Primary Education, Information for Parents' prospectus.

For further advice, contact Knowsley School Admissions Team

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk

Tel: (0151) 443 3372 / 5143 / 5142



HALSNEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

VACANCY FOR PARENT GOVERNOR (February 2022 or sooner subject to vetting process)

What are we looking for?

Our school Governing Body is made up of Trust Appointed, Parent, Staff and Associate Governors. Our Governors may come to us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the School and are the link between the School and the community it serves. We are currently looking for a Parent Governor and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

- time and commitment to spare
- an interest in the performance of the school
- a desire to contribute to and represent the community
- an open and enquiring mind
- the ability to look at issues objectively
- the confidence to ask questions and join in debate
- a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- the ability to work well with others

If you match the above description, you may be the very person to become a Parent Governor at Halsnead Primary School.

What can we offer?

- A chance to develop skills in strategic management
- The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our School
- Training to develop an understanding of specific School management issues
- A sense of achievement in making a difference to our School
- The pleasure of helping students reach their potential

What is the Governing Body's Role?

- oversight of the finances for the school
- decide on the number of staff
- decide on the level of pay for teachers
- help to decide the priorities for the school when the school improvement plan is being developed
- ensure the national curriculum is taught to all pupils
- set targets for pupil achievement
- publish national test and exam results
- compare the performance of their school to similar schools
- receive information about the quality of teaching in the school
- have a published strategy for dealing with parental complaints and concerns
- ensure health and safety issues are addressed
- set the times of school sessions
- consult the Principal when making decisions
- ask challenging questions
- help develop school policies and procedures
- consider the repair and maintenance of school buildings
- consider the use of school premises outside school hours
- appoint committees of governors to look at specific issues such as finance, staffing, inclusion.

If you are interested, please contact Amanda Tyrell, Administrator, at Halsnead Primary School, Pennywood Drive, Prescott L35 3TX, 0151 477 8130 or by email ATyrell@HPS.theheathfamily.org.uk for an application form (closing date: Friday 14th January 2022) The Heath Family (NW) is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of students and the post is subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (formerly Criminal Records Bureau). Further information about DBS checks can be found at www.gov.uk/crb-criminal-records-bureau-check.

VALUE AWARDS

Robbie Respect



Colleen Collaboration



Andy Aspiration



India Integrity



Keiron Kindness



Rosie Resilience



Our School Values - Respect, Resilience, Aspiration, Collaboration, Integrity, Kindness
Half Term Value - Integrity
Value Behaviour of the Week - We are role models to others.

Nursery - Mrs Hoang

Lucas Y: For lighting up the start of the year with his beaming smile. You have been so determined this week to succeed at all the challenges we have done. I am so proud of you. Keep being a little ray of sunshine.

Corey T: Corey - You are such a fantastic role model to all the children. Each day you follow all our school rules and have grown in independence. Keep being a shining star, I am so proud of you.

Reception - Miss Lucas

Ebony F: Ebony, you always make the right choice during continuous provision, even when you aren't working with an adult. You are always busy and engaged in your learning.

Kristupas S: Kristupas, you have had a brilliant first week at Halsnead! You have really settled in to our class routines, and have enjoyed learning in the building and construction area. Well done Kristupas!

Reception - Mrs Wills

Paige O'N: Paige is an excellent role model for being just like India Integrity. She always makes the right choices, even when no-one is watching her. She takes responsibility for her actions and likes to help others in need. She understands the importance of telling the truth, even when it is difficult. Just like India Integrity, Paige will never let her peers down and can always be relied upon by adults when needed.

Jorge-James H: Wow, JJ what a star you are in the Reception classroom. You show great integrity in everything you do and set a great example to your peers. It is lovely to see how you make the right choices when accessing your learning both indoors and outside. You are supportive of your peers and like to offer them help, which is fantastic to see. You can always be relied upon to be sensible and show a great strength of character.

Year 1 - Mrs Kendall

Finley R: For coming back to school and wowing his teachers with his fantastic work ethic and completing all of his work! Keep up the fabulous work and keep trying your hardest. You have made us so happy and we are so proud of you! Well done!

Noah D: For his fabulous attitude to his work this week! You have been a superstar in maths, English and history... in fact in everything you have achieved this week! We are so proud of you! Keep up the good work!

Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas

Harley T: Harley has started the new year with a fantastic attitude. He has really taken onboard this term's value - integrity. Harley has stepped up and has made right choices and he has always taken responsibility for his actions. He has displayed kindness towards his friends and has been a great help in the classroom. Well done Harley, I am very proud you - keep up the fantastic work!

Tom McC: Tom is certainly following in India Integrity's footsteps by being a shining example of integrity. He always makes right choices and is trustworthy. Tom never judges other people when they make wrong decisions or if they have made a mistake, he understands everyone is learning and is considerate to others - what a great role model!

Year 2 - Miss Spencer

Albie S: For showing India Integrity in class this week by helping out his friends in lessons when they have needed support.
Well done Albie!

Eliza O'L: For always making the right choices. You really are a shining example of India Integrity. Well done Eliza!

Year 3 - Miss Keenan

Camran H: - Integrity - Camran works so hard and with integrity everyday. He gets on with his work without being asked and uses everything that has been talked about during the lesson and applies it effectively within his work. He helps everyone without being asked and always displays amazing manners. I am so proud of you, you have shown great progress this week.
2022 will be amazing!

Nevaeh C: - Integrity - Nevaeh what a week! You have been working so hard this week. You don't do anything for praise and enjoy working with integrity, producing amazing work. You enjoy helping people and always shows good manners. You show integrity everyday. I am so proud of the fantastic work you have produced this week. Keep up this hard work, 2022 looks very bright!

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Miss Thorneycroft

Taya M: Taya has had a fantastic start back to school! She has shown aspiration and resilience in both her maths and English work, I am so proud of how hard she has been trying. She always tries her best and gets stuck in! Taya has also displayed kindness and collaboration this week. She has helped her friends when things get a bit tricky and had a positive mindset. Keep up the good work Taya, I am so proud of you.

Isla W: Isla has been working collaboratively all week. She is great at communicating with her friends and teachers. When things get a bit tricky Isla is great at helping other children. Her kindness and willingness to help is appreciated by everybody in the class. Resilience has also been displayed by Isla this week, she has been brave and tackled things head on, and not giving up when the going gets tough! A lovely start to the term, well done Isla.

Year 4 - Mrs Redmond

Caleb R: Wow! You've started 2022 with a bang! Completely 'on the ball' and ready to learn! Keep up your hard work and always wear that smile!

Kerry-Rose B: Kerry-Rose - You are our very own India Integrity. You are the perfect role model for others. You can be relied upon to always make the right choices, take care of others and tell the truth. Well done and thank you for being you!

Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan

Daisy S: Daisy was impressive in maths this week as she showed great aspiration to complete her challenge activities. Not only that, but she was determined to show her knowledge and requested additional challenges!

Bobby H: Bobby has blown us away with his knowledge in history and science this week. He has been linking his knowledge of the key historical concepts from previous topics and using these to make links to our current topic of Ancient Greece.

Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

Remi C: Remi has had a great return to school. She worked tremendously hard to improve her presentation and produced a great piece of writing to be very proud of. Well done Remi, keep up the good work!

Jake S: Jake has had a fantastic return to school. He has worked incredibly hard, particularly with his fractions work. I was blown away by his determined attitude. Well done Jake, keep up the good work!

Year 6 - Mr Owen

John E: John has had a great start to 2022 with a positive attitude towards his learning, particularly in History. I have been impressed with John making the right choice because it is the right choice to make and this has not gone unnoticed by the adults in school. Well done John! Keep it up!

Lilly B: Lilly has shown a real determination and focus towards her work this year and it has been a pleasure to watch. She has been focused and on-task for all of the lessons and has produced some fantastic work as a result. I love to see Lilly challenging herself in maths and really aiming high. Well done Lilly!