



NEWSLETTER



Welcome

Welcome to our final newsletter of the half term. What a brilliant first half term we have had! The children have blown us away with their attitude to their learning and their effort and enthusiasm in the classroom. We have seen so much progress as a result of the hard work of children, staff and parents/carers at home. I would like to personally thank you all for your continued support from home.

We finished our half term with our first ever Halsnead Values Awards. This was a great celebration of our school values, and although not everyone was chosen to receive this award, there are so many value superstars in our school who show our school values each and every day. The most important thing for us as a school is that our children grow up with our school values at the core of who they are. We are so proud of them all.

As Halloween and Bonfire Night draw nearer, I would like to remind you all to stay safe over the holiday and enjoy the time you have together to rest and get ready for another busy half term in November.

Have a lovely half term!

Strive to Achieve

Music



Steel Pan Drums

On Monday Mr Lenaghan's class put on a fantastic musical performance for their parents and carers on the Steel Pan Drums.

Over this half term, they have been working incredibly hard alongside Mrs Hamer from Knowsley Music and Performing Arts Service. The children warmed up with various clapping exercises and performed a piece originating from the Caribbean.



The Heath Family (NW)
A Multi-Academy Trust

Childcare Sufficiency Survey

Please see the below message from
Knowsley Council Early Years Team:

Dear Parents/Carers

In order for us to ensure we have enough childcare in the borough it would help us if all parents/ carers would complete the Knowsley Childcare Sufficiency survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/K38GFGB>

The information you provide will help us to make plans for future childcare and inform current childcare providers about what parents need.

Thank you for taking the time to complete.

Knowsley Early Years Team

Zoom FAMILY LEARNING COURSES

Knowsley Family Learning and Parenting Service are offering courses for parents and carers via Zoom.

The courses; 'Story Sacks' and 'Early English Share' are available for Nursery - Year 2 and will start after the half term. Please see more information attached.

Up-To-Date Payments

Please ensure that your Parentpay account is up for date for school dinners, Kid's Club, Breakfast Club Wrap-Around provision.

Failure of payments regarding school dinners will result in your debt being referred to Knowsley Debt Recovery Centre.

Failure of payments regarding Kid's Club, Breakfast Club and Wrap-Around, will result in your child losing their place as there is a waiting list for other children who need these services.

Attendance for this Week

Week beginning **18th October 2021.**

Congratulations to 5L who achieved 98.9% attendance — well done!

Overall school attendance was 93.6%

OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET IS: **97%**

Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan	98.9
Year 3 and 4 - Mrs Elwill & Mrs Westoby	96.5
Year 3 - Miss Keenan	96.3
Year 2 - Miss Spencer	95.1
Reception - Miss Lucas	95
Year 1 - Mrs Kendall	93.1
Reception - Mrs Wills	92.9
Year 5 and 6 - Mr Doherty	91.6
Year 4 - Mrs Redmond	91.1
Year 6 - Mr Owen	91
Year 1 and 2 - Mrs Thomas	89.6

Attendance COMPETITION

After half term, Mrs Whitby will be running an attendance competition. Any class who achieve 100% for the whole week will win an extra playtime at the end of the week. Will it be your class?



Dates for your Diary

Please note the following dates in your diary:

November 2021

1st	Children return to school after half term
3rd	Parents' Evening
10th	School Individual Photographs

PE TIMETABLE

Please see below the PE Timetable for when we return to school after the half term.
Please note that Reception will also be starting PE on Tuesday mornings.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3K 6O	Reception 2S	5/6D 3/4EW	Nursery 1K 1/2T	4R 5L

POPPY APPEAL

We now have poppies and poppy accessories available to buy in school after the half term. If you are interested in purchasing any of the following, please send your money into school in a sealed envelope with your child's name on it and the item they require. Can you please send the exact amount in for the item your child requires. Thank you.



Zip Pull

SUGGESTED DONATION: 50p



Reflector

SUGGESTED DONATION: 50p



Silicon Wristband

SUGGESTED DONATION: £1



Snap Band

SUGGESTED DONATION: £1.50

School Admission Procedures for 2022 - Secondary Closing Date

Please note that the closing date for **Secondary School** applications is fast approaching; **31st October 2021**. Please see the attached poster for more information on how to apply. Applications for **Reception** places are until **15th January 2022**.

School Photos



School photographs have been booked for **Wednesday 10th November 2021**. The photographer will be taking individual photographs of all children in school.

WE ARE BACK IN SCHOOL ON MONDAY 1ST
NOVEMBER 2021

Have a great half term!

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 - Respect

Value Behaviour of the Week - We always display good manners.



A huge well done to all our children who were awarded the half term certificate for showing Robbie Respect!!



Nursery - Mrs Hoang

Nursery: Nursery, I am so proud of you. You have finished your first half term and you are all amazing. I am blown away with how much you have settled into our school and how you have represented our school values. You have been respectful in many ways, you look after each other and our nursery. Thank you for being brilliant and making Mrs Hoang, Mrs Fairclough and Mrs Payne so proud.



Florence C

Charlie T



Reception - Miss Lucas

RL: Wow! What a great first half term we've had RL! Each one of you have taken change in your stride and shown resilience and determination in everything you have done. You have made Mrs Irving and I super proud with the respectful actions and words you have shown. Your manners are excellent and the respect you have for our school is outstanding. There isn't a day that goes by without another adult commenting on your beautiful manners and gorgeous walking around our school. I can't believe you are all only 4 or 5 because your listening ears and the care you show for others is amazing. Well done RL!



Raegan P

Brody H



Reception - Mrs Wills

RW: You have all made a wonderful start in Reception. You have settled so quickly since September and the time has certainly flown by. Your enthusiasm for learning is amazing and you start each day with a thirst for new learning. I am so proud of you all and look forward to heading into the next half term with you all. Thank you for being superstars



Jorge-James H

Ava T



Year 1 - Mrs Kendall

1K: What a great start we have had in year 1! You have all settled in so well and we are really proud of you. The last few weeks have been an absolute pleasure and you have all earned a well-deserved rest! We hope you have a fabulous half term and we can't wait to see you all after the half term break! Mrs Kendall and Miss Pattie.



Taylor K

Sunny R



Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas

1 2 T: Wow! What an amazing start you have all made to Year 1 and 2! I am so proud of each and every one of you for the hard work and dedication you have displayed in such a short time. There has been an abundance of respect, kindness and resilience - what a great team we are! Enjoy your well-deserved holiday.



Nancy McE

Tom McC



VALUE AWARDS

Year 2 - Miss Spencer

2S: What a fantastic start to Year 2 you have had! Robbie Respect has been shown day in, day out by all the children in our class. You ensure your listening ears are switched on and have magnetic eyes during our learning. I am so proud of each and every one of you. Have a well-deserved rest over half term!



Lola P

Eddie R



Year 3 - Miss Keenan

3K: What a superb start to Year 3! You have been an absolute dream to both teach and get to know! I have enjoyed every second of your beautiful smiles and hardworking, dedicated attitude to your learning! You have made great progress so far, I can't wait to see where our learning will take us! The kindness and respect you show to one another is inspirational and radiates around the classroom! I can't wait for the rest of the year! Well done!



Lorrette H

Seth B



Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Mrs Westoby

3 4 EW: What an amazing half term you have had in 3 and 4 EW. Every single member of this class has shown aspiration, resilience, kindness, respect, integrity and collaboration. We could not be prouder of you all. Enjoy your half term break, ready to keep up the hard work when you return. Mrs Elwill and Mrs Westoby



Scarlet L

Jake B



Year 4 - Mrs Redmond

4R: What a wonderful start to Year 4! You have blown me away! Bursting with resilience and aspiration you have worked your socks off! Kindness and respect have been abundant too! Have a lovely half term, you fabulous lot!



Conor E

Ezmae M



Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan

5L: With our value for this term being respect, we have put a big emphasis on how we can display respect each and every day, both in class and outside of class. The children have shown exemplary respect each and every day by holding doors for other children and staff, remembering their manners and ensuring they show respect to their learning environment by keeping the classroom tidy and picking up any litter they spot outside. What a great start to life in UKS2 and I can't wait for next term!



Harley F

Ella D



Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

5 6 D: You have blown me away this half term with your resilient and determined attitudes! I'm so proud of the respect and kindness you show to all around school. Enjoy your half term!



Jessica W

Charlie E



Year 6 - Mr Owen

6O: We have had the most incredible, jam-packed and hectic half term but you have all been amazing. Our values are at the core of everything that we do and I am so pleased with how you have demonstrated them across the last nearly 8 weeks and how attitudes have improved. I know that your Respect, Integrity, Collaboration, Aspiration, Kindness and Resilience are only going to continue to develop and I cannot wait to see you all reach your own academic and personal excellence over the time we spend together! Enjoy your rest because things are only going to get more incredible, jam-packed and hectic!



Tommy I

Lacey-Lou H



ATTENDANCE



100%
EXCELLENT

Aim for
Excellence!
100%
Attendance

99%
VERY GOOD

97-98%
GOOD

96%
SATISFACTORY

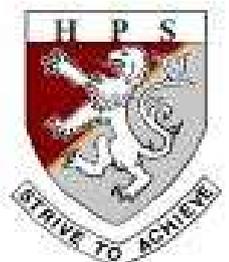
Grades are
affected if
attendance is
below 96%

**BELOW
96%
POOR**



Strive to Achieve

Halsnead
Primary School



FREE – 3 week course Story Sacks



We would like to invite parents and carers of children age from Nursery to Year2 to join in with our **FREE 3 WEEK** Storysacks course.

The sessions will be fun and informal and will:

- Give parents ideas for how they can ensure learning activities are successful;
- Give parents ideas about how to engage children with reading and bring books to life;
- Give parents an opportunity to make and play fun activities with their child;
- Show parents how to make puppets and props to support story telling.

All resources will be provided **FREE OF CHARGE**

Sessions will be for one hour per week via Zoom, starting week of 8th November

To book a place, choose the session which suits you best and contact the relevant person.

Please include your name, your child's name and school and a contact number

Sharon Fitzgerald - 07825 117 499 Sharon.fitzgerald@knowsley.gov.uk for
Tuesday sessions 10-11am starting 9th November

Vicky Powell - 07825 117 487 victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk for
Wednesday sessions 1-2pm starting 10th November

Ann Curley - 07825 117 482 ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk for
Thursday sessions 10-11am starting 11th November

FREE – 3 week Zoom course Early English Share



This 3 week course is for parents/ carers of children in
Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

**Starts on Wednesday 3rd November 2021,
10-11am on Zoom**

Each week in the 3 week Share course, parents and carers are helped to plan and create learning activities that are fun for both themselves and their child. Activities are carried out once a week at home. The following week, we will discuss how that activity went and will plan a new one.

Share is an opportunity for parents/carers to support their children's learning and to build positive relationships, through activities that they can enjoy with their child at any time - after school, at weekends, or in the holidays.

You will be provided with all the resources to make the games and activities which will be yours to keep at the end of the course.

For more information or to book your place, please contact

Vicky Powell - 07825 117 487

Victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk

Please include your name, your child's name and school and a
contact number



Parents of year 6 Children
**It's time to apply for a secondary school place (year 7)
September 2022 Intake**

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

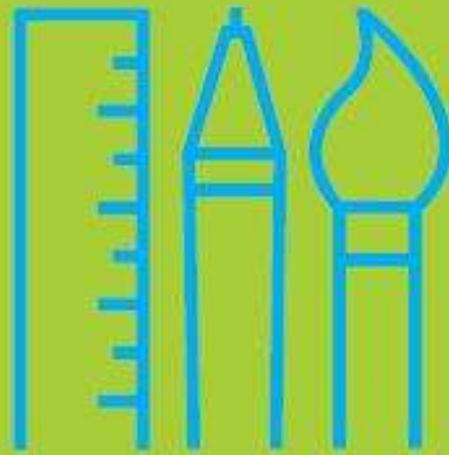
CLOSING DATE 31ST OCTOBER 2021

- If your child is currently in year 6 of primary school or their date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2011, now is the time to apply for a year 7 secondary school place for September 2021.
- There is no automatic transfer – everyone must apply between 12 September 2021 and 31 October 2021 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 Secondary Education, Information for Parents' prospectus.

For further advice, contact Knowsley School Admissions Team

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk

Tel: (0151) 443 3372 / 5143 / 5142



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.
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Get ready for a super scary

HALLOWEEN

October 31st 4:30pm-8:30pm



The Little Room Hire
18 Windy Arbor Road L35 3PB

After Dark Hours
6-8.30

Goody Bags

Scare Maze

Lucky Dip

Interactive games

PRE BOOK TO GUARANTEE

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with a paying child

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