



NEWSLETTER



Welcome

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We have been focusing on our half term value of 'respect' in school and children are learning all about how we need to respect ourselves, others and our world. It has been lovely to see so many children showing respect around school by being polite to others, talking positively and kindly and being role models for our school. We are really proud of the way our children role model all of our values on a daily basis.

We have sent an attendance newsletter home this week, with some reminders about attendance procedures and the importance of good attendance and punctuality. Missing school makes a huge difference to children's personal and academic progress. Please come and talk to us in school if you need any support with attendance and punctuality.

On Thursday 13th October we have our school Open Evening. We would really appreciate your support in publicising this and sharing this information around the community. We have sent a poster home with children; please share this with anyone who may be interested and help to promote our fantastic school. If you are able to offer any support in promoting this event please talk to our office team.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Strive to Achieve

Nursery and Reception Open Day!

Places are still available for Nursery and Reception intake September 2023. We are holding an Open Day on **Thursday 13th October at 3.30pm** for any new parents. Please come and join us. Everyone is Welcome! Please see the attached flyer for more information!



We have places available in our breakfast and after school club for children in nursery and reception. If you do require a place, please get your Kids' Club Registration Pack from the office.

Dates for your Diary....

26th September - Nasal Flu Vaccinations
26th September - Kab's Tea and Coffee Morning
26th September - Year 5 meeting for residential trip 3.30pm
12th October - Reception Vision Screening
13th October - Nursery and Reception Open Day 3.30pm
19th October - Parents' Evening
8th November - Braiswick school Photos

School Admission Procedures for 2023

For further information, please see the attached School Admissions posters on how to apply for a Reception or Secondary School place for September 2023. Please take note of the deadlines for each.

Deadline for **Secondary** Applications is **31st October 2022**

Deadline for **Reception** Applications is **15th January 2023**

Attendance for this Week

Week beginning **19th September 2022.**

Congratulations to **5 & 6 D** who achieved **99.1%** attendance — well done!

Overall school attendance was **94.8%**

OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET IS: **97%**

Year 5 and 6 - Mr Doherty	99.1
Reception - Miss Lucas	98.4
Year 4 - Miss Thorneycroft	98.1
Year 5 - Mr Owen and Miss Neale	96.8
Year 2 - Miss Spencer	95.8
Year 1 - Mrs Wills	95.2
Year 3 and 4 - Mrs Kendall	94
Year 3 - Miss Keenan	92.3
Year 1 and 2 - Mrs Thomas	90
Year 6 - Mr Lenaghan	87.5

URGENT NOTICE: PARKING

WE HAVE HAD A NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS REGARDING PARKING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL AND DRIVING INTO SCHOOL:

- DO NOT PARK ON THE DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE TO SCHOOL
- DO NOT PARK OVER PEOPLE'S DRIVEWAYS
- DO NOT DRIVE INTO SCHOOL TO PARK ON THE PREMISES (THIS IS CAUSING A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE TO CHILDREN AND PARENTS WALKING INTO SCHOOL)



The Heath Family (NW)
A Multi-Academy Trust



Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Nasal Flu Vaccinations will be taking place **Monday 26th September** for Nursery to Year 6 children. Please complete your child's electronic flu consent form via this link ASAP

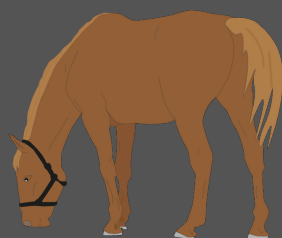
<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

Please complete the form, whether you would like your child to have the vaccination or not.

If you have any further question, please call the Knowsley School Immunisation Service on **0151 676 5141**

THANK YOU

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Friends Lane Riding School for their kind donations to EYFS!



Scarlet Fever

Please see the attached poster with information regarding scarlet fever; what the signs and symptoms could be, how to control an infection and actions to take if you suspect an outbreak.



To celebrate Kabs working in partnership with your child's school, we would like to invite you into our breakfast club to offer you an insight into what we do and have a coffee, tea, and a biscuit.

It will also be an opportunity to speak to one of the team, kabs manager or tommy the director about the vision we have in terms of the development of the children and answer any questions you might have.

This Tea/coffee morning will be held on **Monday 26th September** at **0800-0900**.

Any parents who are not currently signed up to our service and are interested in coming along to meet us and learn what we are about are more than welcome.

Any questions or feedback can be directed to hello@kabs-fitness.co.uk or 07525166584





Poetry Corner

A Poem for Thought

Each week we will be sharing a poem for you to read, practice and talk about at home. We hope you enjoy them! Here is today's from Lewis Carroll.

The Crocodile

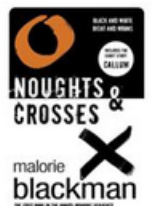
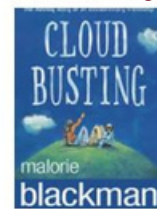
How doth the little crocodile
Improve his shining tail,
And pour the waters of the Nile
On every golden scale!
How cheerfully he seems to grin,
How neatly spreads his claws,
And welcomes little fishes in,
With gently smiling jaws!

Lewis Carroll 1832-1898

AUTHOR OF THE MONTH!



MALORIE
BLACKMAN



Malorie Blackman is an English **children's author**.

She writes young adult and children's novels, short stories, and picture books. She was named the United Kingdom's Children's Laureate in 2013.

The role of Children's Laureate is awarded once every two years to an eminent (important) writer or illustrator of children's books to celebrate outstanding achievement in their field.



Malorie Blackman.

Blackman's books always feature black characters. This is because none of the characters in the stories she read as a child were black. Blackman felt that this was a problem, and she vowed to solve it as a writer.

Books teach children to see the world through the eyes of others and empathise with others..

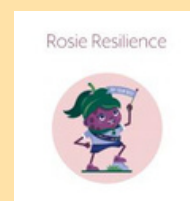
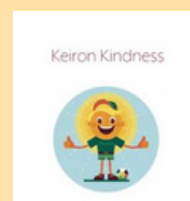
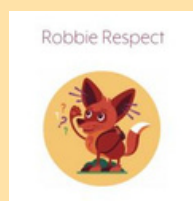
Malorie Blackman says:



Halsnead Nursery & Reception Open Day



THURSDAY 13th OCTOBER 2022 AT 3.30PM



Nursery and Reception places available
for September 2023

Here at Halsnead we provide a happy learning environment
for each child to achieve their full potential.

We hope that you can come along to our Open Day and meet
our fantastic staff!



*"A friendly school where pupils feel
safe and cared for."* Ofsted

Every child will reach their own personal and academic
excellence and will be motivated to be a life-long learner.

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Parents of year 6 Children
It's time to apply for a secondary school place (year 7)
September 2023 Intake

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

CLOSING DATE 31ST OCTOBER 2022

- If your child is currently in year 6 of primary school or their date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012, now is the time to apply for a year 7 secondary school place for September 2023.
- There is no automatic transfer – everyone must apply between 12 September 2022 and 31 October 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 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



Knowsley Council



Parents of pre school children
**It's time to apply for a school reception class place
September 2023 Intake**

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

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2023

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, now is the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2023.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery – everyone must apply between 12 September 2022 and 15 January 2023 by completing the application form of the Local Authority in which you live.
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Liverpool L3 1DS

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Floor C, PO Box 100 PHE.clhpt@nhs.net
County Hall
Preston PR1 0LD

Greater Manchester 0344 225 0562 option 3
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London Road
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www.gov.uk/ukhsa

Dear Colleague,

Re: Update on scarlet fever and iGAS cases in the North West

Further to our communications in March 2022 regarding scarlet fever, we are writing with an update. Regionally and nationally, we continue to see high rates of scarlet fever, higher than would be expected for this time of year. The same pattern has been noted for cases of invasive group A streptococcus (iGAS), particularly in children under 10 years. iGAS is a far less common infection caused by the same bacteria as scarlet fever but can lead to more serious illness.

The action that schools and nurseries can take to reduce spread of infection remain the same and are outlined below, including a reminder of the signs and symptoms.

Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A streptococcus (GAS). The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and pallor around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a 'strawberry tongue'. As the child improves peeling of the skin can occur.

Infection control advice

In schools and nurseries it is recognised that infections can be spread through direct physical contact between children and staff and through shared contact with surfaces such as table tops, taps, toys and handles. Maintaining an ongoing emphasis on environmental cleaning, hand washing, respiratory hygiene, and ensuring staff and children who are unwell remaining away from the setting, will help reduce transmission of most infections within your setting. Ensure any cuts or scrapes are thoroughly cleaned and covered with waterproof dressings to help prevent invasive infection.

Actions to take

- Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should **not attend** nursery / school / work until **24 hours** after starting appropriate antibiotic treatment.
- Whilst scarlet fever is circulating it is important that any children and adults with chickenpox do stay off school or nursery until all their blisters have dried over, which is usually 5 days after they first appeared.
- If you suspect an outbreak of scarlet fever at your school or nursery (i.e. two or more linked cases, for example in the same class or year group), **please notify** your health protection team on 0344 255 0562.

- If you have any cases of chickenpox or flu whilst scarlet fever is still present in the same class or year group, please notify your health protection team on 0344 255 0562.

Further guidance

More information about scarlet fever can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/scarlet-fever-symptoms-diagnosis-treatment>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/>

Guidance on exclusion for a range of infectious diseases can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities>

Yours sincerely

Yasmin Ahmed-Little

Dr Yasmin Ahmed-Little, Consultant in Health Protection
NW Health Protection Team
UK Health Security Agency

cc LA DPHs

Robbie Respect



Colleen Collaboration



Andy Aspiration



Indio Integrity



Keaton Kindness



Rose Resilience



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

Half Term Value - Respect

Value Behaviour of the Week: We speak to each other in a kind manner.

Nursery - Mrs Hoang

Izla H: Izla - You have shown respect for our environment and have been the best role model to all our children. I am so proud of you and how super sensible you are.

Harrison S: WOW we have a new Harrison in our nursery. He is just like Robbie respect, always offering to help others and making sure we look after all our things. Keep it up superstar.

Reception - Miss Lucas

Penelope F: Penelope, where do I start? You always show Robbie Respect and encourage and model to others how to show respect. You have a great understanding of how your words can impact others and you always remember your beautiful manners! You have been developing your good mornings and good afternoons and it has been lovely seeing how proud of yourself you are. Well done Penelope, we are very proud of you!

Jace T: Jace, you have shown Robbie Respect in the bucketloads this week! You have been a superstar in taking turns and modelling to other how we take turns. You have been using beautiful manners during play and adult interactions. You have shown an understanding on how your actions impact others and we couldn't be prouder Jace. Well done mate, keep up the brilliant work!

Year 1 - Mrs Wills

Poppy P: Poppy - What a wonderful role model you are to our class. You always show respect to everyone you meet in school, using your polite words and manners at all times. Just like Robbie Respect you use your listening ears to listen carefully to instructions. You use kind words when speaking to others and work very supportively with your carpet and table partners. What a fantastic example you demonstrate. I am very proud of you.

Brody H: Brody - We are so lucky to have you as a member of 1W. It is lovely to see what beautiful manners you have in school. You work wonderfully with your partners, sharing equipment and taking turns too. You are a very kind, caring boy who always tries his best. Keep up your hard work. Well done superstar.

Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas

Tom M: Tom you have been a shining star since your first day in Year 1. You display the school values in abundance, especially Robbie Respect. Every day you listen to instructions first time, work as a good partner and respect the classroom. Thank you for being such a good role model to your friends.

Autumn D: Autumn you have become such a fantastic class helper! You care for your friends if they feel sad, you repeat the class rules to children who haven't listened and you help me with little jobs. I am very proud of how well you have settled into Year 2. Keep up the good work Autumn!

Year 2 - Miss Spencer

Louis L: I am so proud of Louis. He always shows Robbie Respect. This week he was spotted complimenting his friends in the cloakroom, showing that he is not only respectful, but kindness is also embedded within him. Well done!

Lawrance Y: What a wonderful week Lawrance has had. He has been showing Robbie Respect by helping out within the classroom, using his listening ears and being ready first! Well done Lawrance - I am so proud!!

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Year 3 - Miss Keenan

Maggie-May R: - Respect - Maggie shows high levels of respect every single day. She always tries her best and is always giving input in every single lesson. She enjoys helping others and has the most amazing manners.

Evan R: - Respect - Evan embodies respect! He loves learning new things and always helps those around him who are struggling. He never interrupts and enjoys putting up his hands to answer and ask questions. You are a true role model, Evan!

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Kendall

Abie S: For his outstanding attitude to all aspects of year 3. He has worked his little socks off since starting year 3 and really got off to a flying start. I am excited to see how much progress he will make this year! Great work Abie, I am so proud of you - keep it up!

Amelia G: Amelia epitomizes everyone single one of our values every single day! This week she has showed incredible resilience with a maths challenge! Choosing to work on it whenever she can and never giving up. Seeing the delight on her face when she knew she'd cracked it was amazing! I am beyond proud of how hard she works.

Year 4 - Miss Thorneycroft

Nevaeh C: Nevaeh, wow! You have blown my socks off this week! I am so impressed with all of your hard work, not only in the classroom but in your personal growth and development too! You have stood out to me this week for showing respect in everything that you do. Well done.

Caiden C: Caiden, you have been following in Robbie Respect's footsteps this week, showing everybody how to be respectful. You have put others first and looked after them when they needed a friend. You have used kind words and actions to have a positive impact on the people around you. I am so proud of you!

Year 5 - Mr Owen and Miss Neale

Poppy I: Poppy has had such an amazing start to year 5. Her enthusiasm is infectious and she has been an incredible friend to others in the class. Keep up the hard work Poppy, we are very proud of you.

Ezmae M: Ezmae has the ability to light up any room she walks into with her bright personality! She has been enthusiastic about her learning and been volunteering answers in different lessons. Well done Ezmae, you have been amazing!

Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

Harry S: Harry has had the best start to Year 6. He has taken on huge responsibility and led the playleaders with precision since returning to school. Harry shows all of our school values in abundance, especially respect. He is so thoughtful of others and always aims to help in anyway he can. Well done Harry, keep up the excellent work.

Daisy S: Daisy has had a great week. Daisy has excelled during her maths work this week and showed a great attitude when faced with difficult challenges. Daisy also shows the value of respect daily with both her peers and staff around school. Well done Daisy, keep up the good work.

Year 6 - Mr Lenaghan

Aingel G: Aingel is a great example of someone who embodies our Halsnead values, particularly our value for this term - Robbie Respect. She speaks kindly to others, always willing to offer support when needed, and always gives her full attention to the teacher. This has helped her to excel this week with our maths and ordering operations.

Hope G: A word that we would use to describe Hope often is 'motivated'. She is motivated to do her best, motivated to listen and learn, motivated to be successful at everything she does. This is a fantastic attribute to have and this is helping her to excel in her work, particularly her maths!