

# NEWSLETTER



## Welcome

8TH SEPTEMBER 2023

What a brilliant first week we have had at Halsnead! Our attendance has been phenomenal, children are working hard, and we are all looking forward to celebrating the progress and achievements of all our pupils as we move into another academic year.

On Tuesday, during assembly, we reflected on our successes from previous years and thought about what we would like to improve upon this year. Suggestions included, improving our presentation, working even harder in class and always showing kindness in our actions and words.

Children really impressed me with their attitude towards taking responsibility for their own improvement. Perhaps the children could share with you the things they have done well this week and what they would still like to get better at.

As ever, children have lots to look forward to this year. Teachers are keen to book trips and activities, which will provide fantastic experiences for our pupils whilst extending their learning. 6L have already had their first swimming lesson of the year and really impressed the adults supervising. Well done 6L.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to staff, pupils and families for the warm welcome I have received as the new Head of School – it is greatly appreciated. I look forward to seeing the children happily coming into school on Monday.

Mrs Whitehall

### Weekly attendance for Halsnead Primary

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
Reception/Lucas	128	0	0	0	128	100.0
Reception/Hoang	123	0	5	0	128	96.1
Y1	174	0	0	2	176	98.9
Y2	212	0	4	0	216	98.1
Year 1/2	166	0	2	0	168	98.8
Year 3	172	8	4	0	184	97.8
Year 3/4	164	0	12	0	176	93.2
Year 4K	212	0	2	10	224	94.6
Y5 and 6	220	0	4	0	224	98.2
Y6	196	0	4	8	208	94.2
Year 5K	248	0	0	0	248	100.0
Totals	2015	8	37	20	2080	97.3

Attendance-Well done to all our children this week and a big well done to Reception and Year 5 for getting 100%!!!!

# WEEKLY UPDATES



Your child must not wear jewellery except studded earrings which your child can remove.



Can you please provide your child with a water bottle for school especially during this hot weather.

## P.E DAYS

**PE uniform is a school jumper, white t-shirt (plain or school badge) and maroon/black PE shorts with sensible footwear.**

**Nursery- Monday**

**Reception- Monday**

**Y1-Friday**

**Y1&2-Wednesday**

**Y2-Tuesday**

**Y3-Tuesday**



**Y3&4-Wednesday**

**Y4-Monday**

**Y5-Monday**

**Y5&6-Friday**

**Y6-Friday**

# WEEKLY WELLBEING

## Well-being.

### Digital Detox

A great way to promote mental health and wellbeing is by spending time away from screens.

The internet is full of amazing learning opportunities but it's good to balance screen time with lots of fresh air and exercise outside. This is even more important once autumn's here and the weather takes a dip for the worse. Have a look at these suggestions for activities to support a digital detox and see how many you can complete as a family.

## What Are the Benefits of a Digital Detox?



# POEM OF THE WEEK

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Would a best friend  
Eat your last sweet  
Talk about you behind your back  
Have a party and not ask you?

Mine did.

Would a best friend  
Borrow your bike without telling you  
Deliberately forget your birthday  
Avoid you whenever possible?

Mine did.

Would a best friend  
Turn up on your bike  
Give you a whole packet of your favourite sweets  
Look you in the eye?

Mine did.

Would a best friend say  
Sorry I talked about you behind your back  
Sorry I had a party and didn't invite you  
Sorry I deliberately forgot your birthday  
-I thought you'd fallen out with me

Mine did.

And would a best friend say, simply  
Never mind  
That's OK.

I did.

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Please visit the link below to access further information and complete your child's consent form, even if you do not want them to receive their flu spray. As this will avoid further communications from our service:  
<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.co.uk>

## Knowsley Immunisation Team

We will be attending your child's school between September and December.

All children in Nursery to Year 11 will be offered a Flu Nasal Spray to protect them against Flu this winter!

We will be in your child's Nursery / School on:

13th November 2023

### Contact details

Knowsley Immunisation Team - Telephone: 0151 351 8805  
(Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)

## Flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child

### 1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia.

### 2. Protect you, your family, and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.

### 3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have.

### 4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record.

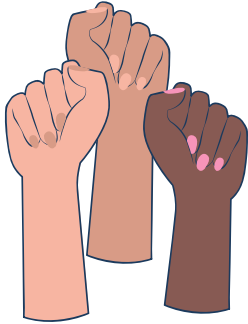
### Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.





# BRITISH VALUES



## Reflection

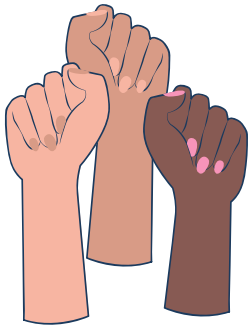
Artwork comes in many different forms and represents different things to each of us. It can bring great enjoyment and meaning. The value of art can be so much more than just the price that's paid!

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## Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Our behaviour, actions and words affect others. We can show respect to ourselves and each other, whether we win or lose.



## Protected Characteristics

Tennis players from all over the world compete at Wimbledon. Someone's colour, nationality or ethnic or national origins should never be the reason they are unable to compete.

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## Half term Value: Respect

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Significant person: England women's football team

### Nursery-Mrs Leah

'Whole Class's for our stars this week. They have all come back into school so sensibly, demonstrating a grown-up attitude and showing kindness to each other. They have all tried hard to listen carefully to instructions and to play nicely together, sharing our toys beautifully-well done superstars!

### Reception-Miss Lucas & Miss Hoang

**Clay-** You have a wonderful first week in reception. You have come in and settled well. You have shown respect towards all your new friends. We are so proud of you.

**Pollie-** Wow what a fantastic first week Pollie. You have shown so many of our values and been a good role model to all others we are so proud of you.

### Year 1 - Mrs Wills

**Roman C** - What a fantastic start you have made to Year 1. We are very proud of how you have contributed to our learning all week. You are an excellent role model displaying the values of Robbie Respect every day.

**Evelyn P** - You have been a super star, Evelyn. Every day you have come to class with a huge smile on your face and great enthusiasm for school. You show everyone how to be like Robbie Respect and take care to listen to others and support them.

### Year 1 & 2 - Miss Addy

**Heidi** - Heidi, you have been really brave and made a great start to your new school. Every day you have worked so hard and been incredibly polite. Well done!

**Harley** - This week you have shown excellent manners to both your classmates and teachers around school. You have made our class very proud, keep it up!

### Year 2 - Miss Spencer

**Wesley** - You have had a wonderful first week in school. I am so proud of your attitude and the respect you are showing in class. Keep it up Wesley!

**Jaxon** - What a delight it is to have you in our class. You have the most beautiful manners and always show respect! Well done, Jaxon.



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### Year 3 - Miss Neale

**James**- James has had a brilliant start to Year 3! He has been a role model for behaviour and has displayed fantastic listening skills. Well done, James!

**Taylor**- What a start to Year 3 this young lady has had! She has adapted to KS2 so well and has displayed all of our values all week! Keep it up, Taylor!

### Year 3 & 4 -Miss Thorneycroft

**Albie**- 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!

**Scarlett**- just like Robbie, you have been exceptional this week! You show respect to school equipment, your work, friends and staff. You are polite and never forget your manners. It is so lovely to have such a respectful pupil in my class. Well done!

### Year 4 - Mrs Kendall

**Gabriella** - Showing Robbie Respect in all areas of school. Gabriella has been a delight to have in school this week, I am so proud of her and how much her attitude to learning has improved over the summer. She has got off to a flying start in Year 4! Keep up the great work.

**Ares** - what a superstar! You have been an excellent role model to other children in our class. You are always ready and eager to learn, it has been a pleasure to get to know you this week, I am delighted to have you in my class this year!

### Year 5 - Miss Keenan

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### Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

**Jacob C** -has had a fantastic beginning to Year 5. Although he has faced many obstacles with his arm, he has shown a great deal of determination and not let that get in the way of his success. I have been particularly impressed with his attitude to learning this week. Well done, Jacob, keep it up!

**Mia Mc G**- has made a fantastic start to Year 6. She has blown me away with her kindness and how she respects others. Mia has always given a great deal of input into classroom discussions and really impressed me with her presentation. Keep up the hard work Mia.

### Year 6-Mr Lenaghan

**Jake H** - What a brilliant start this young man has had to the year. I can't express how impressed we have been with the attitude he has shown towards his learning and the effort he has put in to not only doing his best in every single lesson, but to also help his peers with their learning. We are super proud of Jake and look forward to seeing the heights he can reach this year.

**Jake B** - Aspirational, motivated, and supportive; these 3 words best sum up Jake's first week in year 6. He has displayed the value and characteristics that we expect of our children at Halsnead and this has helped him to thrive in everything he has done so far. He has a strong passion for learning and puts 100% into everything he does - keep up the good work, Jake!