

NEWSLETTER



Welcome

A great start to the year for everyone at Halsnead...we had some fun in the snow last Friday; children in 5K have been swimming; we learnt all about gang culture in year 6 and we have had parents'/carers' evening too. Thank you so much to those who attended last week – we all know how important it is to work with families so we can help children to learn and grow. Unfortunately, our attendance has been very low since returning from the Christmas holidays. 96%+ is what is nationally expected, and we are way off. We want to work with families to maximise pupil attendance – we know that the more children are in school, the more they progress personally and academically.

Well done to the children this week who received their reward break for completing their reading, maths, and spelling homework. We understand that children work hard during the school day which is why the homework just focuses on practising key skills.

We have had so much interest in our Wonka reading challenge – really well done to all those participating; we congratulated 4K's Nancy and Evan today in our Celebration Assembly for being the first children to complete the challenge.

Have a great weekend everyone.

ATTENDANCE

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
Reception/Lucas	149	0	15	6	170	87.6
Reception/Hoang	130	0	20	0	150	86.7
Y1	193	0	25	2	220	87.7
Y2	246	10	14	0	270	94.8
Year 1/2	194	0	14	2	210	92.4
Year 3	207	10	5	18	240	90.4
Year 3/4	198	0	8	14	220	90.0
Year 4K	258	10	6	6	280	95.7
Y5 and 6	262	0	8	10	280	93.6
Y6	230	10	12	8	260	92.3
Year 5K	287	0	9	14	310	92.6
Totals	2354	40	136	80	2610	91.7



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Strive to Achieve



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NSPCC

Dear Parent or Carer,

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 2 February 2024.**

The NSPCC need our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that is always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.

On average, a child contacts Childline every 45 seconds.

Making Maths Meaningful

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in Dress up for Digits. Children are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme!

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a 50p donation per family, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

It All Adds Up.

We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support. All the money we raise will make an enormous difference to children today and help the NSPCC be there for children tomorrow.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Kendall

Maths Lead

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Mrs Leah

Ezdan- You have settled so well into Nursery, you are growing in confidence every day, you listen carefully to instructions, and you always try your best. We love to hear you talking more to your friends and familiar adults and to see you getting more involved daily with our carpet activities- well done super star!

Phoebe- Phoebe, we have been so proud of you this week for making really positive choices- you tell us often with a beaming smile on your face, "Look, I'm making the right choice!" You are remembering our classroom promises and routine and working hard with your learning- well done super star!

Mrs Hoang/Miss Bell

Nihaasvi - Nihassvi you have had a wonderful week. You have shown how you are independent in your own play. You are always following all of our school values and show these each and every day.

Clay - Clay WOW WOW WOW we are super pleased with how you have shown integrity all week. You have focused on your skills to be able to concentrate during carpet time. Well done Clay we are so proud.

Year 1 - Mrs Wills

Perla F – You show great integrity every day. You have drive and determination to succeed and bring much fun to our classroom. You have worked so hard to master finger spacing and you are so proud of the improvements this has made to all your written work. You are a shining, bubbly superstar.

Olivia O – Well, what can I say Olivia, you are India Integrity! What a shining example you are to everybody. You always make the right choices. You are kind and caring to others and always tell the truth. You are a wonderful role model and a fantastic class member. Well done, Olivia.

Year 1 & 2 - Miss Addy

Georgie – Are you sure your name is not India Integrity? Georgie, you are a great role model to everybody in our class. Every day you work hard, make the right choices, and demonstrate beautiful manners. Your determination to do better each day is amazing! Well done, Georgie!

Harley – What an amazing week Harley! You have shown respect and integrity in abundance with your beautiful manners! You are such a kind, caring and funny member of our class and we love having you in 1/2A. Keep being amazing, we are proud of you!

Year 2 - Miss Heslegrave

Finley – Finley this week has been amazing! You are a kind, helpful and super hard-working member of our class. You have shown real integrity this week in your determination and behaviour. I am so proud of your learning, especially in maths. Keep it up Finley, well done!

Sofia – Just like India you are consistently showing our school values every single day. You are polite, caring and try hard at everything you do. Sofia you always make the right choice. Thank you and keep it up, Well done!

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Year 3-Miss Neale

Finley- Finley I have been so impressed with you this week! You have shown resilience and integrity in everything you have done, and this has been really evident in your work. Keep it up Finley, I am so proud of you!!

Amelia- wow Amelia, you have blown me away this week. Your hard work and determination has allowed you to absolutely thrive in the classroom. You have been so involved in lessons and completed the work you have been set. Well done, Amelia, I am so proud of you!!

Year 3&4-Miss Thorneycroft

Alexis- Alexis what a fantastic week you have had! Just like India, you are so reliable, I know that I can count on you! The children in our class can count on you to help them when things get tricky and enjoy playing with you on the playground. You have shown so many of our values this week including kindness and respect. You are doing a super job!

Lucas- Lucas great job! Your integrity shines through in everything that you do. I love watching you sprinkle your integrity amongst others, guiding them through tasks that can be difficult at times. You are always putting other people's needs before your own and considering how other people are feeling. Keep up the good work!

Year 4-Mrs Kendall

Lola - Lola for showing integrity in everything she does.

Tom - Tom for his fantastic attitude to learning and always showing integrity

Year 5-Miss Keenan

Brooke – Brooke is such a polite, caring member of our class. She always shows our school values and has a brilliant attitude to learning. We love when you share your books with us (WW2). Keep up the great work!

Taya – WHAT A WEEK! You have shown great determination and a very positive attitude to learning this week with our new topic, Fractions. I have loved watching you try so hard at everything you do and helping others at your table! Well done!

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Year 5&6-Mr Doherty

Lilly- Lilly, I have been so impressed with your attitude to learning this week. You have also demonstrated your ability to be a great friend. You have supported your peers when they have been upset and really looked after them – Well done Lilly, keep it up!

Brandon- Brandon has had an exceptional week! You have blown me away with your maths work, always looking for different ways to represent your ideas. You have also been a great help around the class this week. Well done, Brandon, you are amazing!

Year 6-Mr Leneghan

Eva-Lily – Eva-Lily is a wonderful role-model in Year 6 for our Halsnead Values. She is consistently showing the behaviours and attitude towards her learning that we expect to see in our children at the upper end of the school.

Mikey – Mikey has been a keen and enthusiastic learner all week. He has thrived in his creative writing and shown great aspiration in his reading lessons. He is always spotted doing the right thing and leads by example.