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02.10.26

Belong Achieve Thrive

World Poetry Day

Our pupils were very engaged in World Poetry Day. They showed real aspiration in their writing, producing some amazing poems and bravely performing them to others. It was wonderful to see so many children taking pride in their work and having the confidence to share it.

Red Cross Workshops

Year 6 took part in a Red Cross workshop exploring the bystander effect and what can happen when people do not stop to help in an emergency. The children discussed different emergency situations and considered how they can help others and make a positive difference.

Term-Time Holidays

We understand that families are often looking for the best value when booking holidays. Our school calendar provides a two-week break at the end of May and beginning of June, which falls outside the usual school holiday period and can provide an opportunity to access more affordable holidays.

This term, 18 children have already taken holidays during term time. We monitor attendance for all pupils whose attendance falls below our school target of 97%, as regular attendance is important for children's learning, progress and routines.

Thank you for your support in helping us to ensure that children are in school, learning and making the most of every opportunity.

Aspiration Visitor – Amanda Wah

We are looking forward to welcoming Amanda Wah, Gladiator Champion, back to Halsnead on Friday 16th October.

Amanda will be talking to our pupils about Mental Health and Wellbeing in a Digital World, followed by fitness sessions with the children. This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to think about looking after themselves, setting goals, challenging themselves and having the aspiration to be the best version of themselves.



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Cycling to School

We are really pleased to see so many children choosing to cycle to school. We currently have three pupils who wear their helmets every day when cycling in, which is a very small percentage of the children who cycle to school.

We would love to see more children wearing a helmet each day. If your child cycles to school, please encourage them to wear a helmet every time to help keep them safe.

Reception Language and Communication Workshop

Our Reception Language and Communication Workshop will take place on 19th October at 2:00pm. This is a lovely opportunity to come into school, take part in activities with your child and learn more about supporting language and communication at home. We warmly welcome all Reception parents.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy at Halsnead Primary School.

Our governors play an important role in supporting and challenging the school, helping us to provide the best possible education and opportunities for our children. If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a Parent Governor, further information about the role and how to express your interest will be shared with families shortly.

Parking on Pennywood Drive

We have received feedback from local residents that inconsiderate and unsafe parking on Pennywood Drive has, on occasions, blocked residents' driveways. Please be mindful of our neighbours when parking around school and ensure that driveways, entrances and access points are kept clear. We appreciate that the area can be busy at drop-off and collection times, but ask everyone to park considerately and safely.

Thank you for helping us to maintain positive relationships with our local community.

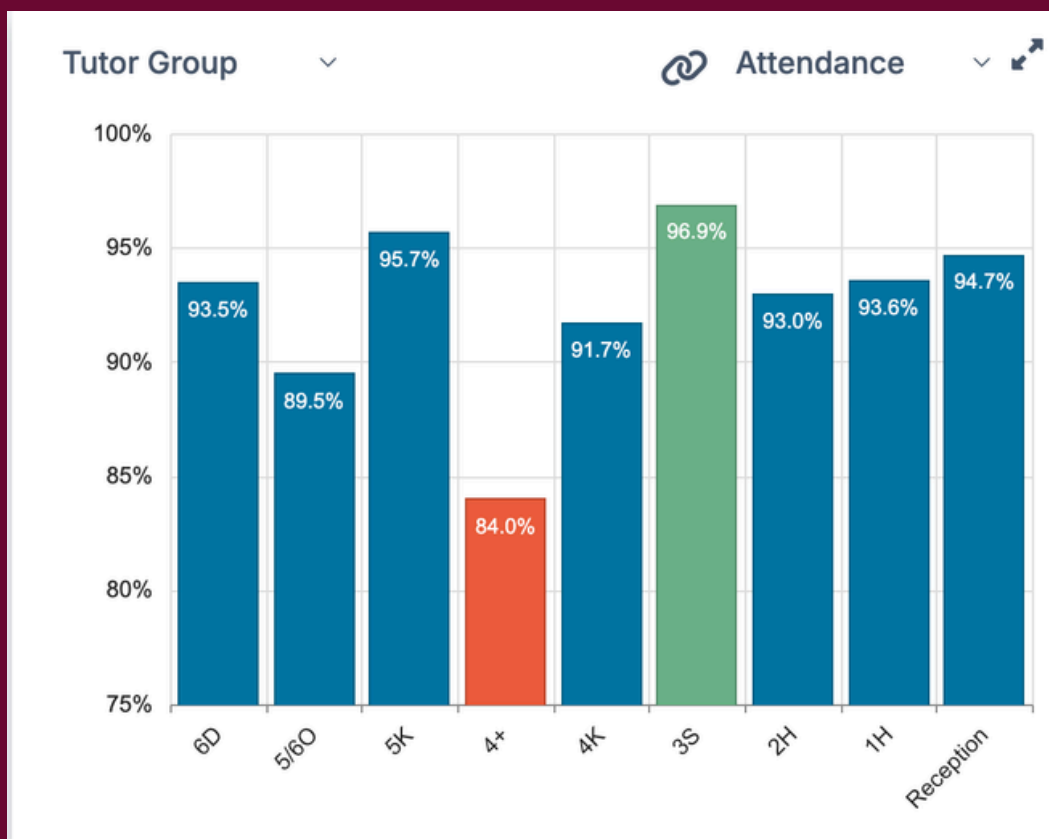
Friday Morning - Office

Please remember that the front office is closed between 8:25am and 8:40am every Friday while staff attend our whole-school briefing.

If your child attends Breakfast Club or Thrive on a Friday morning, they must arrive before 8:25am.



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Weekly menu

21.09.26	Main Meal	Vegetarian Option	
Monday	Pizza, wedges, beans/spaghetti	Ravioli in tomato sauce and wedges	Jacket potato/sandwich
Tuesday	Sweet and sour chicken and noodles	Sweet and sour Quorn and noodles	Jacket potato/sandwich
Wednesday	Chicken Katsu curry, rice, naan	Quorn Katsu curry, rice, naan	Jacket potato/sandwich
Thursday	Roast beef, roast potatoes, veg, gravy and Yorkshire pudding	Quorn fillet, roast potatoes, veg, gravy and Yorkshire pudding	Jacket potato/sandwich
Friday	Fish fingers, chips & veg/beans	Macaroni cheese and garlic bread	

