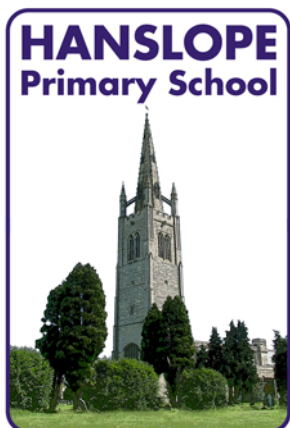


NEWSLETTER



Summer 2 Issue 1

The second half of the Summer term has got off to a great start. We have had some good weather to date and hope that this continues into the remainder of the year. Staff and pupils are busy at work preparing for end of year assessments but there are a number of activities to look forward to in order to bring the year to a positive close.

Athletics News

Last Friday the Athletics Team represented the school at Stantonbury Track for the first of 3 heats across Milton Keynes schools. The team were supported by parents and staff (even Mrs Cowper came with baby Thomas) and we were all very pleased with the outcomes. The final results won't be published until late next week but keep your fingers crossed that as many of the team are able to take part in the Finals on Saturday 4th July.

326 Sleepover

No surprises that this turned out to be both a popular and successful event. I can't comment on how tired the participants would inevitably have been the following day, but a great time was had by all.

Attendance

Milton Keynes Council has teamed up with Planet Ice to promote good attendance by rewarding pupils who achieve 100% in different terms of the year. Hanslope School was selected for the Spring Term reward and we are pleased to announce that 63 pupils achieved 100% attendance for that period. Each child has been issued with a certificate and a voucher for a free family skating session. Well done to all and enjoy!

Open Afternoon

Apologies once again for any inconvenience that may have been caused by cancelling the Open Afternoon that was due to take place on Wednesday. Due to redecoration around the school and the slight disruption this could cause, it was felt that it would be best to postpone.

There will be an opportunity for you to peruse your child's work at the Consultation Evening on Tuesday 30th June (letter to follow - this will include information about who your child's classteacher will be next year). In addition, may I take this opportunity to remind you that all parents/carers are invited to spend some time working or reading with their children between 8.45 and 8.55am each day in classrooms.

Parent/Carer surveys

Thank you to all who have returned the questionnaires; so far the feedback we have received has been productive. If you have not yet returned your survey, it would be much appreciated if you could do so by the end of next week. Once all feedback has been collated, I will report on the collective findings. Where relevant, comments will feed into the School Development Plan for the next academic year.

Pupils will be completing their own surveys this week and we look forward to hearing their views.

Competition success

A few months ago Miss Britnell asked pupils to enter a poster competition promoting sun safety. A number of entries across the school were entered and we were overjoyed to discover that Hanslope School had won. As a result the school has been given a 'Shade Sail' (sun shelter) which is due to be installed on the grassed area next to the trim trail in July.

Chicken pox

This is just to advise that we have an outbreak of chickenpox in the school. Should your child be diagnosed with this, the recommended period for them to be kept off school is 5 days from the onset of the rash.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 24th June:

Year 2 visit to MK Theatre for the Primary Music Festival
Briefing meeting for parents of new Foundation Stage children

Friday 26th June: End-of-year reports go out

Tuesday 30th June: Summer Term Consultation Evening 3.30-5.30 and then 5.45 -7.00pm

Wednesday 1st July: Linford Sports Day, 9.30am start

Friday 3rd July: Salcey Sports Day, 9.30 start

Saturday 4th July:

Morning: Athletics Finals

Evening: Barn Dance

Monday 6th July:

Pupils spend the morning with their new teacher

2.15pm Briefing meeting for new Year 3 parents

Tuesday 7th July: Summer Music and Dance concert at Roade School

Thursday 9th July: Year 4 visit Woburn Safari Park

Friday 10th July:

Linford children visit Salcey Forest for the day

Year 3 visit the Living Rainforest

Monday 13th July: Year 6 visit Warwick Castle

Wednesday 15th July: Whole school 'Lunch and play' at the recreation ground.

Friday 17th July: School closes for the Summer holidays

School resumes for the new term on Thursday 3rd September 2009.

And finally.....just a reminder that if there are any issues parents would like to discuss or get clarified in respect of any aspect of school life, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Debbie Doherty

18th June 2009