

**Newsletter**

**Autumn 1**

**2018**



**Autumn Term**

Here we are again! The Summer seems to have flown by and we are already back and working hard. All the children have settled well into their new classes.

I would like to officially welcome all the parents of the new children to our school. Please don’t hesitate in contacting any member of staff if you need any assistance and my direct email is listed at the end of this newsletter.

**House Captains and Vice Captains**

Our Year 6 children have voted for their house and vice captains. I am pleased to announce they are as follows:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **House** | **House Captain** | **Vice Captain** |
| **Fox** | **Palmer Ward** | **Tilly Taverner** |
| **Owl** | **Niamh Crewe** | **Ted Humphrey** |
| **Squirrel** | **Tom Paton** | **Nancy Pollitt** |
| **Deer** | **Cameron Pryke** | **Emily Marshall** |

Congratulations to these children; I am sure you will be great in your role.

**Year of Wellbeing**

2018/9 is the **Year of Wellbeing** at Hanslope Primary School. Our staff are currently planning events and activities to promote wellbeing to our children. Further details will be shared when they have been finalised.

**Outdoor Learning**

As the weather is still warm and dry it’s hard to imagine the children needing their outdoor learning kits. In fact, it has been dry since April during on school days. However as this term progresses it will be turning colder and wetter. All pupils need to have their outdoor learning kit in school. If you are unsure of what is needed, please speak to your child’s class teacher.

**Academic Results**

Academically, we had another successful year in 2017/18 across the whole school. I would like to thank all the teachers and teaching assistants that work so hard, the children that push themselves and want to do well and all our parents that support their child/children and their learning. The results for 2017/18 are as follows:

* **100%** of our Year 1 children passed their Phonics Check.
* Our end of KS1 results were:

**83.3%** of pupils were assessed at the Expected Age Related Standard or above in Reading and **80.2** in Writing. **86.6**% were assessed at the Expected Age Related Standard or above in Maths.

* The table below shows our end of KS2 results

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Data** | **Hanslope Primary** | **National Figure** |
| The combined % of pupils achieving the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Mathematics | **82.5%** | **64.3%** |
| % of pupils achieving the expected standard or above in Reading | **85%** | **75%** |
| % of pupils achieving average standard or above in Writing | **87.5%** | **78%** |
| % of pupils achieving the expected standard or above in Maths | **88%** | **76%** |

This means that for the fifth consecutive year will be in at least the top 10 primary schools in Milton Keynes (out of 90 primary schools altogether).

**Y6 Pupils and Secondary Applications**

I wish to remind all parents of Year 6 children that you need to apply for a secondary place for your child in your chosen school by **31/10/18.** If you are unsure how to apply please see the MK or Northampton LA website.

**Macmillan Fundraising Event**

We will be holding our annual Macmillan Event on **Thursday 27th September**. This will be a cake sale. Paper plates/bags and information will be sent home in plenty of time for you to kindly fill with cakes. These will be sold from 3:15 on the KS2 playground. This year there will not be a set price but we will be asking for donations for our local Macmillan Hospice.

**Harvest**

We will be celebrating Harvest on Thursday 11th October. We will have an in school only assembly in the afternoon but will wish to invite all parents to the KS2 playground at 3:00pm. All our children will then come out and sing a couple of songs to you. Once this has happened the children will return to their classes and be dismissed in the usual manner. **Please be prepared for the children to possibly be dismissed slightly later than usual.**

We will be collecting food for the MK Food Bank and ask for any donations that you can spare.

**Dogs/Scooters/Bikes/Play Equipment/Parking**

I wish to remind everyone that dogs are not allowed on the school premises at any time.

Similarly, scooters and bikes are not to be brought to school.

Before and after school we have had quite a lot of children playing on the KS2 Trim Trail and KS1 play equipment. The children know that this is not allowed and have been reminded of this. The reason for this is that the equipment is not supervised by a member of staff during these times.

We have had quite a few incidents of parents bringing their car into the staff carpark before/during and after school. I would like to politely remind you that this is prohibited.

**Diary Dates**

****

27th Sep 2018 Cake sale at 3:15pm on the KS2 playground.

11th Oct 2018 Harvest – Singing to parents at 3pm.

18th Oct 2018 Individual school photos.

25th Oct 2018 School Disco

25th Oct 2018 Last day of Autumn 1

5th Nov 2018 Autumn 2 begins

6th Nov 2018 Parents’ Eve 5:00 – 8:00 pm.

7th Nov 2018 Parents’ Eve 3:30 – 6:00 pm.

11th Dec 2018 KS1 Nativity 9:30 am.

12th Dec 2018 KS1 Nativity 9:30 am.

18th Dec 2018 KS2 Pef. at Hanslope Church 10:00 am

 (parents will be admitted from 9:30 am).

21st Dec 2018 Last day of Autumn Term 2.

7th Jan 2018 Spring Term 1 begins.

* ***Please note all the dates and times shown here are accurate at the time of the publication of this newsletter. Any unforeseen event may happen that could cause alterations to the information listed above; if this does occur we will endeavour to let you know as quickly as possible.***

**Ryan Fensham-Brown** ryan.brown@hanslope.milton-keynes.sch.uk