Halterworth weekly bulletin

Letter from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all parents and carers for supporting our recent changes to the morning school routine. We understand that any change can be challenging, particularly when they affect the start of the school day. However, from a school point of view, we are already seeing a number of positive benefits. Children are coming into school more quickly and calmly, classes are settling much faster, and registers are being completed more efficiently. This means that learning can begin sooner and children are making the most of every minute of the school day. We have also noticed a reduction in the number of children arriving late, which is helping everyone to start the day positively and successfully. today we have practiced with the children, giving parents a hug on the first bell and then moving to their line, remembering to face the front. When the children practiced this today, every child was able to enter their line in 55 seconds, our challenge is to match that time on Monday. Thank you for your patience and support as we continue to embed these arrangements.

We were also delighted to welcome so many families into school for our Open Class Sessions. It was wonderful to see such an amazing turnout. We hope you enjoyed seeing how we teach English across the school and had the opportunity to see just how well your children have settled into their new classes. Our children were incredibly proud to share their learning, and it was lovely to see so many smiling faces around the school.

This week, I have also had the privilege of interviewing our Year 6 pupils who have applied for the roles of Head Boy, Head Girl and House Captain. As always, our children made me incredibly proud. Listening to them talk about why they wanted to take on these important responsibilities and hearing the passion they have for our school was truly inspiring. Their thoughtfulness, maturity and commitment to making our school even better shone through in every interview. We are fortunate to have such a talented and caring group of young people, and I look forward to announcing our successful candidates soon.

Today, we were delighted to welcome colleagues from another school to Halterworth to see our teaching and learning in action. During their visit, they explored how our staff use adaptive teaching strategies to ensure that every child is supported, challenged and able to succeed. Visitors also observed how our shared pedagogical approaches are consistently embedded across the school, providing pupils with a coherent learning experience and helping to drive strong outcomes. We were proud to showcase the dedication of our staff and the enthusiasm of our children, who demonstrated excellent attitudes to learning throughout the day.

Julie Bray
Head Teacher

Book Recommendations from the children.

Y6 - Overthinkers Club
"I like this book because of the drama scenes between friends"

Y5 - Investi-Gaters
"It is really funny and entertaining"

Important Reminders

Gentle reminder - Please ensure your childs PE kit is in school Monday to Friday.

If they return home wearing their PE kit midweek please make sure it is back in school the next day.

Many thanks.

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term

KS1 Nativity Dates

YR - Tuesday 15th December 9.15am or 5.30pm
Y1 - Wednesday 16th December 9.15am or 5.30pm
Y2 - Thursday 17th December 9.15am or 5.30pm

Tuesday 6th October	Y6 Fairthorne Parent Information Meeting
Friday 9th October	Yellow Day - Non school uniform day
Wednesday 14th October	YR Help your child with phonics parent workshop
Wednesday 14th October	Book fair
Thursday 15th October	Book Fair
Friday 16th October	Y2 Blown Away Trip
Monday 19th October	Book Fair
Monday 19th to Thursday 22nd October	Parents Evenings
Tuesday 20th October	Y2 Winchester Science Museum Trip
Tuesday 20th October	Y6 Virtual Pasta Making Workshop
Wednesday 21st October	Y4 Winchester Trip to support Anglo Saxon topic
Thursday 22nd October	Y1 Milestone Museum Trip
Thursday 22nd October	Y6 Virtual Pasta Making Workshop
Monday 26th to Friday 30th October	Half Term
Monday 2nd to Friday 6th November	Y6 Fairthorne Residential
Thursday 5th November	SEND parent coffee morning
Monday 9th November	KS2 HSBC Finance Workshops
Wednesday 11th November	Whole School Flu Vaccinations
Friday 13th November	Y6 Southampton Art Gallery Workshop
Wednesday 25th November	Y6 Parents Information evening SAT's
Friday 27th November	HSA Wreath Making
Monday 7th December	Rocksteady Concert
Tuesday 8th December	KS2 The Abbey Children
Thursday 10th December	Rocksteady Concert
Thursday 10th December	Christmas School Dinner
Monday 14th December	KS1 and KS2 Panto - Robin Hood
Tuesday 15th December	School Council - UK Pariliment Trip
Monday 21st Dec to Friday 1st January	Christmas Holidays

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School Sponsorshp events coming up.

Our amazing **Mrs Anderson** is taking part in **Royal Parks Half Marathon on 11th October for Alfie's Wish**.
If you would like to sponsor her please click here:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/inga-anderson-3?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=FR-heroes_FRPo_Event-near-badge_uk

Our amazing Halterworth Honeys walked 16 miles along the Testway on Sunday 27th September and raised £1176 for the new school field extension so a great BIG thank you to every one who sponsored them.

Safeguarding is our absolute priority. Please act on concerns that you have about any children that you know. If you have a concern about the safety of a child or young person and you want someone to find out what is going on, contact the Hampshire Children's Services Department. Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm, phone 0300 555 1384. At all other times, contact the out-of-hours service, phone 0300 555 1373. Anyone can make a referral. At Halterworth Primary School, Mrs Bray is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), while Miss Easton, Mrs Wright, Mrs Crosland and Mrs McStay are the Deputy DSLs. Please remember anyone can make a referral and safeguarding is everyone's concern.