

# HANNAH BALL SCHOOL

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## MESSAGE FROM MR HINGLEY

There seems to be so much going on in school at the moment it is hard to keep up!

Last week we had an exciting visit from a theatre company who worked with our year 3s. This forms part of our commitment to provide our pupils with the very best experiences throughout the curriculum and they can then draw on these as they progress through their topics. Please do check our website for curriculum information. Follow this link so that this information is easy to find.

<https://www.hannahball.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/curriculum/>  
to watch this too.

Please don't forget that it is anti-bullying week next week. This is a time to remind ourselves what bullying is and how we can deal with it. To start the week off we are wearing odd socks on Monday. Our Year 5s are sharing their remembrance assembly on Monday too and parents, if you are available, you are welcome to come in to watch this too.

Our school council have decided to celebrate Children in Need day on Friday - the children will be wearing their own clothes.

Year 2 are also going to Windsor castle on Friday which they are very much looking forward to!

Have a wonderful weekend.

# Star of the Week



## RECEPTION

Roo is our star of the week. He has been doing lots of independent writing in class using his sounds. Well done Roo!

## YEAR ONE

Zalika for her fantastic behavior this week! She's been putting in a great effort, sticking to the class routine flawlessly. Way to go!

## YEAR TWO

Our 'Star of the Week' this week is Ivor! In recent weeks, he's been working exceptionally hard in his learning, seeking help when he needs it and using classroom resources independently. Ivor is showing growing responsibility by taking care of his belongings and having his diary signed. He consistently treats other children and adults with respect, displaying good manners and kindness. Well Done Ivor!

## YEAR THREE

Leo. He has been participating in class and trying really hard in all subjects. Well done Leo.

## YEAR FIVE

Zohair - for stepping out of his comfort zone and speaking loudly and clearly during assembly practice for Remembrance Day.

## YEAR SIX

Asharah for her excellent diary entry in English and letter as a WW2 evacuee in History.

## MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

### RECEPTION

Reception have been enjoying the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears in class this week.

Our role play area has been turned into the Three Bears cottage and the children have had the opportunity to role play the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears using different sized teddy bears and bowls.

Next week, the children will have the opportunity to make porridge using porridge oats, milk and honey. A permission slip will need to be returned to allow your child to take part in this exciting activity. Please remember to add a small comment to your child's planner each evening to tell us how your child's reading is coming along. Please go through your child's Harder to Read & Spell words before reading with your child. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Wright & Mrs May

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### YEAR ONE

In our English lessons, we're delving into the events of The Great Fire of London. The children have taken in the details of what happened in 1666 and have grasped the underlying causes of the fire. They're currently practising their skills in sequencing these historical events.

In our Maths classes, the focus is on writing number sentences. It would benefit all the children to practice counting both forward to 20 and backward from 10.

In History, we've embarked on a fascinating journey exploring The Great Fire of London. The children played detectives, investigating the factors that contributed to the rapid spread of the fire.

Thank you for your unwavering support. Wishing you a delightful weekend ahead.

Homework note - Mathletics

The login details for Mathletics are in your childrens planner.

please complete

How many

order numbers to 10

order numbers to 20

## YEAR TWO

Welcome back to our second week! It's been a bustling one. We began with a fun art lesson where the children used crayons to create firework pictures and explore different textures. In English, we're continuing to dive into the exciting story of 'Kassim and the Greedy Dragon.' We're building important skills that will help us with our writing next week. In Maths, we're learning about related number facts. Remember, practicing number bonds to 10 and 20 with your child helps with mental math and understanding maths strategies.

We're thrilled to share that on Friday, November 17th, we'll be going on a school trip to Windsor Castle. Please take a moment to talk to your child about good behaviour, listening, and staying safe during the trip. If your child tends to get coach sick, please chat with Mrs. Elliott before the trip.

Make sure your child comes to school in full uniform, with a coat, comfortable shoes, and a packed lunch if you've chosen this option. We're also in need of volunteers for the trip, so if you can join us, please speak with Mrs. Elliott.

Have a wonderful weekend!

## YEAR THREE

The Year 3s have been amazing again this week. In English we have introduced a new book called the Stone Age Boy. We have been learning how to identify adverbs, verbs and conjunctions in writing. In Maths, we have been learning how to use the column method to add and subtract. In Science we went on a walk around the school to collect different types of rocks and were able to describe them and explain what buildings are made from them. We have been reading a book called 'Stig of the Dump' and In RE, we learned about Christmas symbols and what it means to Christians. The weeks are going by so quickly. Looking forward to week 3. Have a good weekend. Miss Stickland and Mrs Yasin.

**Homework:** Homework is given out on Friday. This is due back next Wednesday. These are compulsory to do.

**Reading:** Reading should be done every day. Please make sure this is done. Signatures need to be in the planner for the right week.

## MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

### YEAR FIVE

This week, year 5 have been busy studying our new English text 'Treason' with a focus on the descriptive language used by the author to describe London. We will be using this description to help with our main writing next week. In Science, we have started to explore a variety of materials, describing the properties using scientific vocabulary. In maths we have learnt how to multiply/divide by 10,100 and 1000 using place value grids. And to end the week, year 5 have been working extremely hard in practicing our 'Remembrance' assembly (which they will be performing for the school on Monday). Thank you for all your hard work this week , have a great weekend year 5. Mrs Mir, Miss Dear and Miss Saldanha.

### Homework:

English - to write a poem about Remembrance day. The top 3 will be read out in assembly.

Maths - To be given out on Monday

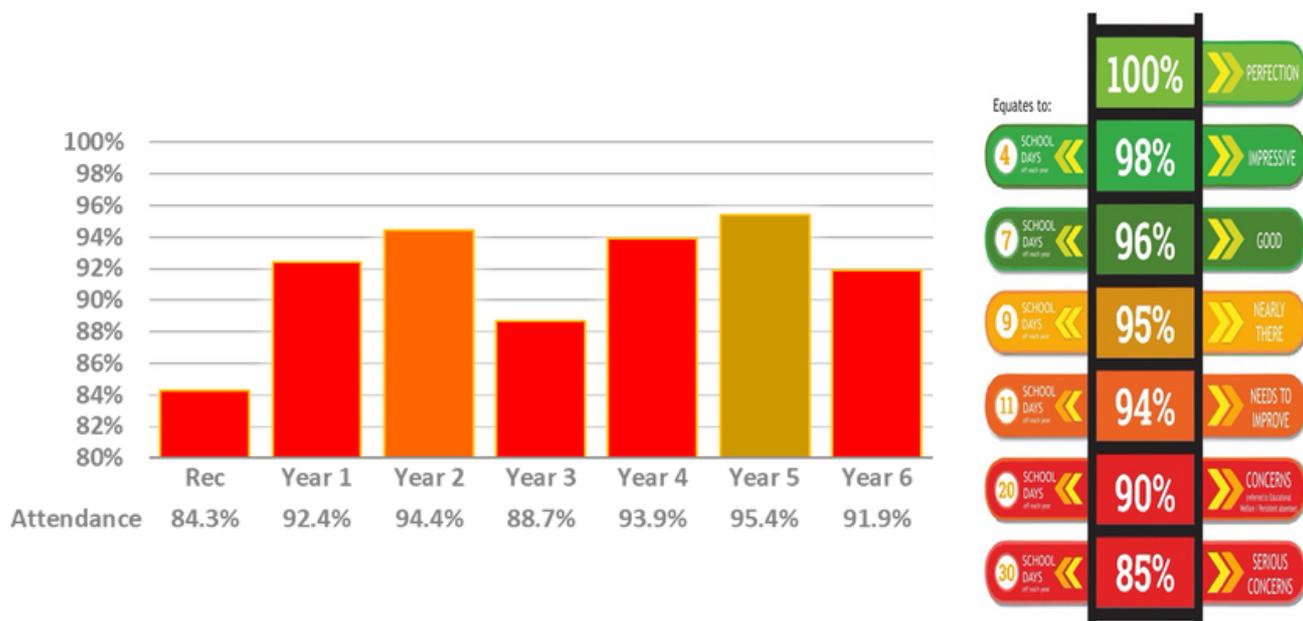
## YEAR SIX

We've had a great week in year 6 this week! In maths, we've finished our multiplication and division topic and have moved on to fractions; looking at how to simplify them. In English, we have been putting ourselves in the shoes of our main character, Rose Blanche, and thinking about what we would have done in her situation. We also wrote a diary entry as Rose and looked at how to describe a setting using figurative language. I have been very impressed with quality of writing in year 6, and they have been able to show they can apply these skills in other subjects which is wonderful to see. In history, we learnt all about Evacuation during WW2 and year 6 wrote some excellent letters in role as a child evacuee.

In science, we have started our new topic 'Electricity' where we learnt how to use scientific symbols to draw circuits. In PSHCE, we have also started looking at our new unit 'celebrating differences' and we began by looking at the word 'normal'. Year 6 had some excellent discussions and came to the conclusion that the definition is relative and that people's perceptions of what is not normal can sometimes lead to prejudices.

Another excellent week year 6 - well done!

# THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:



**Well done Year 5 for winning this weeks attendance with 95.4%!**

# NOTICES

This **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK**  
we are holding

**ODD SOCKS DAY** on  
**MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**



Come to school  
wearing your odd  
socks to celebrate  
what makes us all  
unique!

**Let Me Play**

FUN | INCLUSIVE | EDUCATIONAL

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR FUN DAYS

SWIMMING, MULTI SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, NERF WARS, CLIP 'N' CLIMB,  
LASER TAG, BOUNCY CASTLE, ESPORTS, LEGO BUILDING & MORE!

Week 1: Wednesday 20th December – Friday 22nd December  
Week 2: Tuesday 2nd January – Wednesday 3rd January

**Wycombe Leisure Centre**  
Handy Cross, High Wycombe HP11 1UP  
**9.00am – 4.00pm**  
Early drop off from 8am, late pick-up until 5pm

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5 (SCHOOL YEAR 1) - 12  
**FROM £22.50 PER DAY!**

Discounts for siblings & full week booking - please see booking page for details.

**We accept Childcare Vouchers, Tax-Free Childcare & we are OFSTED registered!**

Please bring: Lunch, Snacks, Waterproof Clothing & A Refillable Drinks Bottle.

Accepting HAF bookings if your child is eligible for free school meals

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# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Who?
	November 2023	
Monday 13th November	Odd Socks Day for Anti bullying week	Whole School
Thursday 16th November	Union Baptist Church Assembly	KS1
Friday 17th November	Children in Need -Non uniform day	Rec, Y1, Y3, Y4,, Y5, Y6
Friday 17th November	Y2 Windsor Castle Trip	Y2
Thursday 23rd November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	Reception
Friday 24th November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	YR1
Tuesday 28th November	Great Fire of London & Kings & Queens workshop -Y1	YR1
Tuesday 28th November	Kate Poels author visit	KS1 & KS2
Thursday 30th November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	YR2
	December 2023	
Monday 4th December	Pantomime 2-3pm	Whole School
Tuesday 12th December	Trip to Hampton Court	Y5
Tuesday 19th December	Last day of Autumn term	Whole School
	January 2024	
Thursday 4th January	INSET Day	Whole School
Friday 5th January	School Starts	Whole School
	June 2024	
Thursday 27th & Friday 28th June	Longridge Residential Trip	Y6
	July 2024	
Friday 19th July	Longridge Day Trip	Y5