# HANNAH BALL SCHOOL





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### **Message from Mr Hingley**

We are offering quite a few after school clubs (and even before school) across the school.

Many of these are free. Our offer at the moment is

Boys and Girls Football club
Drumming club
Dodgeball and
Martial Arts

Breakfast club runs from 8am for all pupils. You don't need to book for this but there is a small charge of £2.50 per session.

We also do have an after school club, run by Quackers. Our children are collected from Hannah Ball School and the club runs at King's Wood school. The charge for these sessions are in the following link... https://www.quackersoutofschoolclubs.co.uk/

Thank-you to all of those parents who were able to attend the 'Meet the teacher' sessions. It has been nice to see so many of you in school over the last two weeks. We will share the slides with you so that you have them for your reference.

Timings: Remember please that we start the school day at 0845 and lessons start promptly at 0850. I am pleased to see that this is getting much better and we have so many of you attending school on time. If you do choose to send your child in late, we will ensure that this lost learning time is caught up, either at breaktime or lunchtime. Remember - Every Second Counts!

Volunteers: We will always welcome volunteers - so if you do have a morning or an afternoon to spare and would like to help in school, please do contact us via the school office (office@hannahball.bucks.sch.uk). Volunteering looks fantastic on CVs and volunteering in a school may open up opportunities to work within the education sector.

There is some information further on in this newsletter about illnesses and when to keep your child off school. We have had such a strong start to the year with attendance, but this week it has been really low. Please ensure you send your child into school if at all possible. If in doubt, please check the list included in this newsletter, or phone us and we will advise you.

# Star of the Week

RECEPTION
Eddie for using his sounds to write about what makes him happy! Well

done Eddie!

Aiza has received star of the week. She continues to demonstrate a positive behaviour and always takes part during lessons.

**YEAR ONE** 

#### **YEAR TWO**

Younas. He has worked so hard in both his behaviour and in his learning. He has shown responsibility and resilience which is so lovely to see. Keep up the good work Younas!

YEAR THREE Laila. She shows respect

in the classroom and outside as well as excellence in her work. Great job Laila. YEAR FOUR
Bradley Platek for
excellent behaviour.

**YEAR FIVE** 

Filip for taking on feedback about his handwriting. His writing is now looking amazing and neat which makes it that bit more enjoyable to read!

YEAR SIX
Lily M for her
excellent use of
description and
range of sentence
openers in her
retelling of
"Macbeth".

### **MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

#### RECEPTION

This week in Reception we have been continuing to look at our story "The Colour Monster goes to School". We have thought about the different things we need to bring to school each day and some of the things that make us feel happy! In maths we are helping our class puppet, Mr Fox, practise his counting, making sure we are using our counting fingers and touching each object as we go. Thank you to all those parents who attended our meeting yesterday, we hope it gave you an insight into what your child will be learning with us over their time in reception and the expectations we have. You were all given a copy of our curriculum map and the early learning goals so please continue to refer to these to support your child at home. If you were unable to attend the meeting please see a member of Reception staff who can give you a copy of this. As a reminder PE is only on a Tuesday. All children came home with a library book on Tuesday, this will be changed every Tuesday, so please make sure it is in their book bag. Home reader books are changed on a Tuesday and Friday. Have a good weekend!

#### **YEAR ONE**

The year 1 pupils had a great week of learning. In Maths they learnt about fewer, more and the same. On Thursday we explored the school during Geography, using a map and we located different features and areas across the school. In science we learnt about Autumn and collected leaves and sticks to create an Autumn poster as a class.

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

#### **YEAR TWO**

On Tuesday, we had our **Woodland Detective Day. The** children loved exploring the school grounds looking for mini-beasts and identifying what plants and animals we have on our school grounds. In English, we have begun planning our writing for our Dodo bird diary. Continue to practice the text map with them at home, it will support them in their final stages of writing next week. In Geography, we have been looking at maps of our local area. The child loved looking at photos of places they had been to around High Wycombe. Please ensure you complete Mathletics (login found in the planner) and practice their spelling words with them ready for our weekly spelling tests on Friday. If you would like to know how best to support your child, please come and have a chat with me. Thank you for your support.

#### **YEAR THREE**

This week has been a busy week in Year 3: In Maths we are learning place value, we have learned to to use a number line up 1000. We have also been doing arithmetic on Wednesdays to help build our mental maths and learn new strategies. In Science we have just started our new topic called Animals including humans, we did an experiment about if someone has longer bones in their legs can they jump further. Topic is around Settlements and what they are. Year 3 learned about the differences between human and physical features in geography and different uses of land. In English we have started writing our own adventure stories based on the 'The Jungle Book'.

Homework - homework is every week. They will be given it every Friday and expected to have it done by Wednesday. This is to be done along with Matheletics. Their sign-ins have been stuck in their planners.

Reading and Planners - students should be bringing this in everyday and have it signed to show they are reading. They have also been given the jungle book text, please make sure this is read as well.

Enjoy your weekend. Miss Stickland

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

#### **YEAR FOUR**

This week your children have had another busy week of learning. They have been continuing to learn about how to rewrite the story of the Rainbow Crow with different characters and have enjoyed sharing their own ideas and thoughts.

There are a number of clubs running at the moment: Girls Football, Boys Football and Kickboxing.

If you would still like your child to join these clubs please contact the office by email.

Reminder: We would like to remind you that we are now half way through the first Autumn Term and ties and jumpers should be worn daily. As the weather is still unpredictable, please make sure they bring a coat in as well.

#### **Earrings:**

Earrings should not be worn to school at all times. If they are, they will be covered with tape.

#### **Homework:**

Homework is due in on Wednesdays and given out on Fridays. Please make sure that it is completed and handed in on the right day.

#### **YEAR FIVE**

Another week has flown by and year 5 have been working ever so hard in their learning. In English, we have started our innovation stage of our writing and the children have come up with their own ideas. This is always the exciting part of writing where the children explore their imaginations and put into practice what they have learnt in their skills lessons. I can't wait to read these. In Science we have explored how the planets orbit the sun and how long each planet takes to make a full orbit. This has linked in with our maths and the class have arranged the length of time it takes for each planet to orbit the sun in ascending order. We are almost done with planning our fieldwork enquiry in Geography and have discussed/selected the best method to collect data for our investigation. We are hoping to visit the river Wye very soon to collect our data and complete our enquiry. In RE, we are studying the religion of Sikhism and have learnt some amazing facts about what it takes to be a sikh and why the 5 k's are important to them. Thank you for a great week 5. Have a lovely weekend - Mrs Mir, Miss Dear & Miss Saldanha:)

#### **Homework:-**

- -Mathletics tasks have been assigned online.
  -Spellings
- -Maths h/w book pages 10-12 (Steps 10-14)
  -TTRS

#### **YEAR SIX**

Well done to all of year 6 for another great week of learning. We are really impressed with the quality of work being produced across the curriculum. In English this week, year 6 have started writing their own versions of Macbeth, telling the story from his point of view. Mrs Harris and I have been reading the first two parts of their stories raptly and we are so looking forward to seeing the final products when they're finished and published next week. We have also been reading 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' in our whole class reading lessons and year 6 have been working on answering inference questions based on the story. They have thoroughly enjoyed their introduction to the works of Shakespeare so we have invested in a few class sets of the child-friendly versions for them to enjoy in our book corner.

In maths this week, we have been looking at factors and multiples as well as working on our arithmetic skills. In RE, we have been looking at how Hajj allows for Muslims to show commitment to God; learning all about the pilgrimage and what it entails. We had extremely thoughtful discussions in our PSHCE lesson this week where we looked at anti social behaviour and how to act responsibly as productive members of society. In science, we have been planning and conducting an investigation to find out how the distance of a light source from an object can affect the size of shadows. We have also been looking at planning a fieldwork enquiry for Geography. The class has decided to focus this on pollution in the river at Rye Park so we will be heading down there soon to collect data!

Well done year 6 for another excellent week. Have a lovely weekend!





# Should I keep my

child off school?



#### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

# No

# but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever	
Head lice	Tonsillitis	
Threadworms	Slapped cheek	





### Advice and guidance

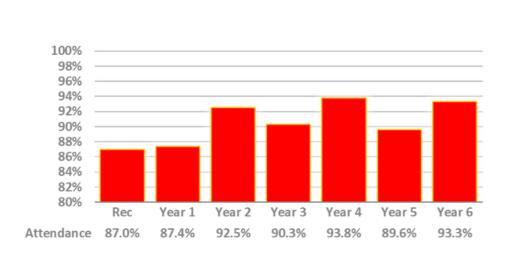
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

## Friday 5th October is School Census Day,

School Census days are a very important day in a school calendar especially for our funding. The Census determines core school funding with information about pupil premium and universal free school meals. Please can we encourage as many of you as possible to have a hot meal as this will really help with our funding Many Thanks!



## THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:









WHEN: FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER, STRAIGHT AFTER SCHOOL DROP OFF.

**WHERE: DINING HALL** 

If you are free please pop in for a cuppa and a slice of cake in exchange for a small donation!

We would be very grateful for cake donations for this event. They can be dropped off to us the afternoon before or on the morning. We look forward to seeing you there!



As usual we are collecting for One Can for our Harvest. We shall collect up to Half Term. Please send in your donations.





## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Date	Event	Who?
	October 2023	
Friday 6th October	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Parents/Carers
Thursday 12th Ocotber	Trip to Whipsnade Zoo	Y3
Friday 20th October	Last day of half term	Whole School
Monday 30th October	Autumn Term 2 begins	Whole School
	November 2023	
Friday 3rd November	Flu Immunisations	Whole School
Thursday 16th November	Union Baptist Church Assembley	KSI
Thursday 23rd November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	Reception
Friday 24th November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	YRI
Thursday 30th November	Visit to Union Baptist Church	YR2
	December 2023	
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