



NEWSLETTER



Welcome

The start of 2021, like much of last year, has been very different and I hope you are all keeping safe and well.

It is really important as a school we get 100% participation and engagement in our remote working. Whilst I know every situation is different, remote learning is not optional. Your children had a superb term back in school in Autumn and we are determined to keep this progress up during closure but we need your support with this. Please ensure your children are logging on daily to Seesaw or Tapestry. If you are having difficulty, please contact the school, we can help!

I am aware that many of our families have experienced an especially challenging time during the Coronavirus pandemic. During this especially difficult time, our thoughts and prayers are with everyone in our community who is bereaving a loved one or is experiencing a time of great difficulty at present. However, please do not feel alone. As always, the Halsnead team are here to help. Detailed on the next page are some avenues for support, which I hope may be of use. However, please do contact us and we will do all we can to assist you - even if it is to just talk. We are all in this together, but together we are stronger.

Strive to Achieve

COLD WEATHER ALERT

The Met Office have issued a Cold Weather Alert around severe cold weather/icy conditions/heavy snow from yesterday, Thursday 14th January to Monday 18th January:

Therefore if your children are still coming into school, please ensure you send them in their jumper/cardigan and appropriate warm clothing (warm winter coat, hats, scarves, gloves). Please ensure these items are all clearly labelled with you child's name.



The Heath Family (NW)
A Multi-Academy Trust

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

It is more important than ever to look after your own mental wellbeing during this difficult time, so that you can look after your own children. If you need extra support, there are a range of organisations offering lots of useful resources on looking after yourself and your family.



Lots of useful information and advice on how to support your child during the coronavirus pandemic.

www.youngminds.org.uk
0808 802 5544



Provide telephone, webcam and online chat counselling for young people struggling due to COVID-19.

www.relate.org.uk



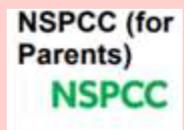
Confidential helpline.

www.familylives.org.uk
0808 800 2222



Help you deal with stress and anxiety, improve your sleep, boost your mood and feel more in control.

www.nhs.uk/oneyou



If you are worried about a child, even if you are unsure, contact our professional counsellors for help, advice and support.

www.nspcc.org.uk
0808 800 5000



Free 24-hour listening support.

www.samaritans.org
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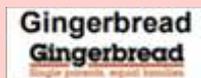


Free confidential 24/7 crisis text support.

www.giveusashout.org
Text SHOUT to 85258

Single Parents

It can be tough being a single parent, and even more so during the lockdown, when usual support networks can be limited. For coronavirus, updates and advice tailored to single parents, including co-parenting and child contact arrangements see:



Single Parent Helpline.

www.gingerbread.org.uk
0808 802 0925



Advice for parents/carers and young people.

www.cafcass.gov.uk

Online Safety

To keep your children safe online, visit:



Online safety programme.

www.thinkuknow.co.uk



Access to free resources and videos about online safety.

www.nationalonlinesafety.com

VALUE AWARDS

Nursery - Miss Lucas

Jacob M: Where do I start with you Jacob? You have come back to Nursery with such a can-do attitude and we all couldn't be prouder! Just like Andy Aspiration, you have shown all of our value characters and your love of learning seems to have grown even more - I didn't think that was possible! You have shown resilience, kindness, integrity, respect and collaboration in everything you have done this week. Keep it up Jacob!

Elsie M: Elsie, you have only just started with us, but it feels like you have always been a part of our Nursery! You have got stuck in with the home learning and produced some fabulous work. And it doesn't stop there! You have recently started attending our Nursery, and you have had the best attitude and smile anyone could wish for. Andy Aspiration told me you are a shining star! Keep up the great work Elsie, we are all proud of you!

Reception - Mrs Davies

Finley R: Finley has been trying his best at everything he has faced. He has shown he is just like Andy Aspiration.

Sophia P: Sophia has demonstrated excellent collaboration through playing with all her friends in school. Well done Sophia.

Reception - Mrs Wills

Amelia-Rose S: Wow, Amelia-Rose your work at home has really put a huge smile on my face. You have been super busy completing lots of learning activities. You have shown great resilience, just like Rosie Resilience, in every activity. Best of all you do everything with a big smile on your face and you look like you are having lots of fun.

Sonny M: What a shining star you have been this week. You have been working so hard to complete all of the learning, well done. Your work has hugely impressed me as it is so beautifully presented. I can see how much effort you have used. Your happy, smiley face has been a delight to see on Tapestry. You are just like Andy Aspiration, striving to achieve.

Year 1 - Mrs Kendall

Once again it has been really, really hard to choose just 2 stars of the week. The children in 1K have all been amazing and I have honestly really struggled to pick just two children because it could have been so many children. Thank you for all of your hard work and a HUGE thank you to all the grown-ups who are supporting children at home, it is incredible!

Corbin D: Corbin is always the first person who is up and ready for learning. He logs on straight away and he always sends me a good morning video which really makes me smile! Corbin has been chosen as he always shows Andy Aspiration in his work and tries his hardest to complete all of his home learning. Corbin is definitely a mix of all the other values just like Andy Aspiration.

Michael P: Michael has been a little superstar this week and last week!! He completes all of his home learning and always pushes himself to make sure his work is outstanding! I am so proud of Michael for everything he has done this week at home. One of the things I especially loved this week was the letter he wrote for PSHE all about India Integrity. I thought it was fantastic because it showed how much Michael understands the value of integrity! Well done Michael I am really proud of you!

Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Olushonde

Lennon B: You have been an absolute star at home this week! Your video explaining how to add two-digit numbers using Lego was outstanding! You have truly demonstrated our school value of Andy Aspiration by trying your very best with all of your school work. I am SO proud of you!

Erin E: Your dedication to your school work this week has been outstanding. You put 100% effort into everything you do and your concentration at home is inspiring. Thank you for demonstrating the value of India Integrity by being honest, kind, helpful...the list is endless!

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Year 2 - Miss Spencer

Bobby S and Jacob Di: I have chosen these two superstars because they have been working their socks off this week! They haven't let anything get in the way of their learning and always show enthusiasm towards their education.

Well done boys, I am so proud of you!

Year 3 - Miss Keenan

Isabella D: - Resilience - For always completing her work to the best of her ability and really progressing with both her number and letter formations.

Bobby S: - Resilience and Integrity - For never giving up and always trying his best with a smile on his face! We are so lucky to have Bobby in our class.

Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Mrs Westoby

Harry P: For demonstrating our value of Rosie Resilience this week. He has tried very hard with his home learning, even when he has found tasks more difficult. Keep working hard Harry. Well done!

Matthew H: We are so proud of all the hard work and effort you have been putting into your home learning. Your work has been of the same high standard you produce in school, we can see how hard you are working every day. Keep up the fantastic work!

Year 4 - Mrs Redmond

Joseph P: What an amazing first two weeks you've had Joseph. You never stop giving 100%. Your aspirational attitude and growing resilience make all your teachers proud! Keep up all the hard work - you're a star. ★

Zak M: Wow, what a week! You have worked with sheer determination, especially in maths! Your positivity has been infectious! Keep believing in yourself, Zak - just like we do. 👍

Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan

Adam B: What a superstar! Adam has completed EVERY SINGLE ACTIVITY he has been given on Seesaw for home learning and has even gone above and beyond to take part in different challenges set by his teachers. He has worked extremely hard and has shown so much enthusiasm towards his learning. Great work, Adam!

Clíodhna N: What a week Clíodhna has had! She has worked so hard to complete all of her learning activities this week and has been so pleasant on Seesaw by checking in with her teachers and her friends to see how everyone is doing - how kind! She has also shown resilience and persevered with her tricky maths work this week. Keep it up, Clíodhna!

Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

Lilly-Rose E: Lilly has blown me away this week with the incredible work she has produced. Your determination to succeed has been wonderful to witness and I love how you have gotten the family involved with your partner talk. You have had an amazing week, well done!

Will T: Will has produced some fantastic work whilst in school this week. He has demonstrated fantastic collaboration skills whilst working with his peers. He has also kept Miss McDonough and Mrs Simms entertained with his jokes. Well done Will. 😊

Year 6 - Mr Owen

Ethan B: Ethan has worked incredibly hard in school this week and has shown wonderful collaboration with others in the group. Mrs Simms has also appreciated all of his jokes - he has kept her thoroughly entertained.

Megha A: There are not enough superlatives to describe Megha. She has worked incredibly hard and blown me away with her art work. Keep up this amazing attitude - you will go far!