



# NEWSLETTER



## Welcome

Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation when dropping off and collecting your children, it is greatly appreciated. Please remember to stay 2 metres apart at the gates, wear a mask and leave as soon as you have collected your child/children. As the weather is now getting colder, please send your children into school wearing a warm coat. On PE days, we encourage the children to wear tracksuit bottoms rather than shorts.

### Strive to Achieve



## Seesaw & Tapestry Homework



Homework will be set on Seesaw (KS1 and KS2) and Tapestry (EYFS) every Friday. Please support your child to log on and complete this. Each week there will be a special award for the class with the highest number of children who have completed their homework on Seesaw or Tapestry. The winning class will receive a trophy and every child who has contributed will receive a reward. Please encourage your child to log on to Seesaw or post your child's work on Tapestry and help their class to win!





## Year 1 Vision Screening

Vision Screening for the children in Year 1 will take place on the morning of the 7th and 9th October. Can you please return your consent if you wish to opt in or opt out as soon as possible.

## Accessing Work at Home - Survey

As we are sure you have read in the press, many schools are having to close bubbles due to positive Covid tests. Whilst we remain confident that our systems and routines are keeping our children and staff safe, we must make sure we are ready if we have to close a class bubble. To help make sure we are as prepared as possible, please can you complete the survey below about accessing work at home. Please copy & paste the link for it to work. You only need to complete it once. Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/75TBJQR>

## Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child only brings water into school and not juice or squash.



## Attendance for this Week

Week beginning 25th September 2020.

Congratulations to RW who achieved 100% attendance — well done!

Overall school attendance was 96.1%

OUR ATTENDANCE TARGET IS: 97%

Reception - Mrs Wills	100
Year 2 - Miss Spencer	99.6
Year 1 - Mrs Kendall	99.5
Year 1 and 2 - Mrs Olushonde	99.3
Year 3 and 4 - Mrs Elwill & Mrs Westoby	98.6
Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan	96.8
Year 4 - Mrs Redmond	94.8
Year 6 - Mr Owen	93.6
Year 3 - Miss Keenan	92.6
Reception - Mrs Davies	92.1
Year 5 and 6 - Mr Doherty	90.7

## Parent Governor Vacancy

Please see the poster below for more information.



**The Heath Family (NW)**  
A Multi-Academy Trust



## HALSNEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

### VACANCY FOR PARENT GOVERNOR (December 2020 or sooner subject to vetting process)

#### *What are we looking for?*

Our school Governing Body is made up of Trust Appointed, Parent, Staff and Associate Governors. Our Governors may come to us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the School and are the link between the School and the community it serves. We are currently looking for a Parent Governor and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

- time and commitment to spare
- an interest in the performance of the school
- a desire to contribute to and represent the community
- an open and enquiring mind
- the ability to look at issues objectively
- the confidence to ask questions and join in debate
- a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- the ability to work well with others

If you match the above description, you may be the very person to become a Parent Governor at Halsnead Primary School.

#### *What can we offer?*

- A chance to develop skills in strategic management
- The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our School
- Training to develop an understanding of specific School management issues
- A sense of achievement in making a difference to our School
- The pleasure of helping students reach their potential

#### *What is the Governing Body's Role?*

- oversight of the finances for the school
- decide on the number of staff
- decide on the level of pay for teachers
- help to decide the priorities for the school when the school improvement plan is being developed
- ensure the national curriculum is taught to all pupils
- set targets for pupil achievement
- publish national test and exam results
- compare the performance of their school to similar schools
- receive information about the quality of teaching in the school
- have a published strategy for dealing with parental complaints and concerns
- ensure health and safety issues are addressed
- set the times of school sessions
- consult the Principal when making decisions
- ask challenging questions
- help develop school policies and procedures
- consider the repair and maintenance of school buildings
- consider the use of school premises outside school hours
- appoint committees of governors to look at specific issues such as finance, staffing, inclusion.

If you are interested, please contact Amanda Tyrell, Administrator, at Halsnead Primary School, Pennywood Drive, Prescot L35 3TX, 0151 477 8130 or by email [Amanda.tyrell@halsnead.co.uk](mailto:Amanda.tyrell@halsnead.co.uk) for an application form (closing date: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020) The Heath Family (NW) is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of students and the post is subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (formerly Criminal Records Bureau). Further information about DBS checks can be found at [www.gov.uk/crb-criminal-records-bureau-check](http://www.gov.uk/crb-criminal-records-bureau-check).



# VALUE AWARDS

## Nursery - Miss Lucas

**Benji M:** I have chosen Benji for Keiron Kindness. Benji has been chosen because he has demonstrated kind hands and kind words while in Nursery. He has invited friends to play with him and used wonderful manners. Well done Benji, I am super proud of your kind hands. Keep it up!

**Teddy B:** I have chosen Teddy for Andy Aspiration. Teddy has been chosen because he has been a role model for his friends in Nursery this week. He has demonstrated determination in his counting and has shown brilliant tracking eyes during carpet time. Well done Teddy, I am so proud of your determination and hard work! Keep it up.

## Reception - Mrs Davies

**Elarna M:** For showing kindness and being a really good friend.

**Sophia P:** For working really hard to write her name and starting to form the correct letters.

## Reception - Mrs Wills

**Tyler-James C:** You share everything with your friends and look after others just like Robbie Respect.

**Poppy I:** You have grown in confidence as a class member and enjoy to try new things just like Rosie Resilience.

## Year 1 - Mrs Kendall

**Eddie R:** For showing Andy Aspiration all week. You have been working so hard and your amazing attitude is really showing in your maths and English work. Well done.

**George G:** For being just like Rosie Resilience I have loved seeing you persevere with your maths this week. You have really been thinking about your number bonds to 10. Keep up the great work!

## Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Olushonde

**Tom M:** Tom truly deserves this award as every single day he demonstrates the value of India Integrity. He is always following the school rules and is always doing the right thing. You are such a good role model to others Tom!

**Amelia S:** Amelia shows the utmost respect to pupils and staff alike. She is like Robbie Respect as she spends time ensuring that our school environment is tidy - thank you for being so thoughtful Amelia.

## Year 2 - Miss Spencer

**Alexis C:** Lexi has settled wonderfully into our school community. She shows each and every value daily and always likes to help her friends and teachers out.

**Seth B:** Seth has been working very hard in maths this week. He has modelled Colleen Collaboration by helping his friends when they have struggled with a question. He is always so polite and a great role model within the classroom.



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## Year 3 - Miss Keenan

**Holly M:** - Resilience - For consistently being determined and resilient when approaching both her Maths and English!

**Mason D:** - Kindness - Showing kindness everyday to everyone, within not only the class but the school. He is a role model for his fellow classmates.

## Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Elwill and Mrs Westoby

**Lydia M:** We have loved seeing you persevere with your maths this week, just like Rosie Resilience. We are really proud of you, well done.

**Kian L V:** For being our very own Andy Aspiration. You are always making the right choices in everything you do, you always work to the best of your abilities and you have an amazing attitude towards school. We are so proud of you, well done.

## Year 4 - Mrs Redmond

**Layla F:** What a week! You have worked your socks off - you have been an example of Andy Aspiration to everyone - well done!

**Jessica L:** Your writing in English was lovely this week, Jessica. You carefully thought about Katherine Johnson and showed great resilience and determination - just like she did! Well done.

## Year 5 - Mr Lenaghan

**Daisy C:** Daisy is a model student in 5L and epitomises our Halsnead Values each and every day. She is always showing kindness and it is great to see her growing in confidence! We have been so impressed with the piece of writing she has produced this week for our end of topic writing; it emphasises the time and effort she has put into her work and she should be immensely proud of herself.

**Tommy I:** Tommy has been wonderful in 5L and shows kindness and collaboration every single day. His manners are impeccable and he is a well-respected member of our class. We have been so impressed with his maths work and his confidence in the subject has really developed; the time and effort he is putting into his work is really showing and he should be so proud of that.

## Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty

**Aiden R:** For displaying our value of integrity and kindness this week. Aiden challenged the behaviour of others and was very honest. He also supported his friends when they were upset. What a fantastic week Aiden, keep it up!

**Lennon F:** For showing great respect in class and engaging well in lessons. Lennon used fantastic scientific language this week when describing the process of dissolving!

## Year 6 - Mr Owen

**Kevin R:** For showing Andy Aspiration this week and working incredibly hard in all of his work. I have been so impressed!

**Jana A:** Jana has shown our value of resilience this week. She has been challenged in her writing this week but has really risen to the challenge! I am so proud!