



# Hanbury's Farm Newsletter

## Growing and Succeeding Together

Monday  
17th September  
2018  
Autumn Term 1



### HANBURYS FARM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance expectation is 97% and over. Our whole school attendance for last week was 95.22%

The winning year group was Year R. Their attendance was 98.75% Keep it up!



### WELCOME BACK !

A warm welcome back after what we hope has been a restful and enjoyable summer break for everyone!

It's wonderful seeing all the children back at school and looking really smart in their school uniforms. They have had a good start to the new academic year and it's lovely to see so many children, including some new starters, settle down quickly into their new year groups. Our reception children have started with us and are settling into their new routine incredibly well!

We've had a positive start to the new term, with everyone focused, working hard and ready to learn. Let's keep this up!

We have lots happening over the coming weeks and will keep you informed as the term progresses. Diary dates, activities and events will be on the school newsletter every week or on our school website [www.hanburysfarm.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.hanburysfarm.staffs.sch.uk).

### ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

As we start the new academic year can we kindly remind you that attendance at school is extremely important. The learning that takes place in primary school ensures your child develops all the essential skills to be as successful as possible.

If your child is absent from school on a regular basis this will affect your child's ability to learn.

If you need to take your child out of school during term time, including a family holiday, a '**leave of absence**' form **MUST** be requested in advance from the school office, completed and returned. It is important that school knows where your child/ren are during term time. We have a statutory duty of care to report any unknown absences.

A reminder that leave of absence request of **ANY** duration for a family holiday during term time will **NOT** be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances involved. We encourage good attendance in school with certificates, rewards, assemblies and 'Dougie' our attendance dog. Pupils who start dropping below 95%, are closely monitored. Parents will be informed about their child's attendance and with support from school, will help to make improvements. Staffordshire County Council's 'Code of Conduct' is available on our school website which details more information about attendance.

We are always here to help and support you in any way we can. If you have any concerns or need to talk to a member of staff, please contact the school office. We thank you in advance for your continued support.

### BUILDING WORK IN SCHOOL

During this term we are having some building work being done in KS2. This is currently happening in year 3 and 5 where new ceilings and sink areas are being replaced. There should be minimal disruption to the children while this work is being carried out and will not affect the school day in any way. Thank you.

### CHILDREN BEING COLLECTED BY SOMEONE ELSE

If your child is to be collected by someone else at the end of the day, please inform the school office. We have a duty of care to safeguard the children and if we are not aware of someone different picking them up we cannot let them go.

Thank you for your continued support with this.

A polite reminder that **NO** smoking is allowed or dogs/pets anywhere on the school premises. Thank you for your support.

### HEALTHY SNACKS IN SCHOOL

We encourage healthy eating in school. Help support us by sending your child in with healthy snacks at break and lunchtimes such as fruit, yoghurts, carrot/cucumber sticks, dried fruit such as sultanas or raisins.

If you are stuck for ideas visit the change4life website [www.change4life.co.uk](http://www.change4life.co.uk) where you'll find lots of ideas and recipes for snacks and lunchboxes. Ensure your child has their water bottle in school everyday. There is a water machine that they can fill their bottles up from during the day.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2018/2019

- Tuesday 18th September - Landau Forte QEMS open evening 6:00pm  
Wednesday 19th September - The Wilnecote School open evening 5 :00pm - 7:30pm  
Thursday 20th September - Tamworth Enterprise College open evening 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
Monday 24th September - Reception parent workshop with Lisa Baker, Flourishing families 1:15pm - 3:15pm  
Friday 28th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:15am -10:15. All welcome! Donations to Macmillan!  
Thursday 4th October - Landau Forte, Amington open evening 6:00pm  
Friday 5th October - Year 6 class assembly (details to follow)  
Friday 12th October - Year 5 class assembly (details to follow)  
Tuesday 16th October - Parents consultation evening (details to follow)  
Wednesday 17th October - Parents consultation evening (details to follow)  
Friday 19th October - Year 4 class assembly (details to follow)  
Tuesday 23rd October - Harvest Festival assemblies (details to follow)  
Friday 26th October - Year 3 class assembly (details to follow)  
Friday 26th October - School finishes today for the holidays  
**HOLIDAYS SCHOOL CLOSED - Monday 29th October - Friday 2nd November inclusive**  
Monday 5th November - School re-opens for pupils  
Thursday 8th November - Year 2 class assembly  
**Friday 9th November - INSET day School closed**  
Friday 16th November - Year 1 class assembly  
Wednesday 21st November - School photographs - families, sibling and individuals  
Friday 23rd November - Reception class assembly  
Tuesday 18th December - R, Y1 & Y2 Christmas play 10:00am in school  
Wednesday 19th December - Year 3 & 4 Christmas play at 9:30am/Year 5 & 6 at 2:30pm at the church

## SPECIAL MENTIONS

- Reception** - Jasmine - For settling in well to Reception  
- Finn - For recognising most numbers to 20! Amazing!
- Year 1** - Jacob - For settling well and becoming more confident  
- Lucas - For settling well and making new friends
- Year 2** - Joy - For settling into year 2 straight away  
- Freya - For not letting her broken arm inhibit her learning
- Year 3** - Amy - For showing great confidence when performing her poem and self evaluating herself  
- Aaliyah - For completing her challenge in maths - she worked really hard!
- Year 4** - Sophie P - Excellent rounding in maths and a positive attitude towards learning  
- Max - A great attitude towards his learning - always putting in 100%
- Year 5** - Caitlin - Much improved attitude to learning and amazing contribution to class discussions  
- Isabella R - Amazing effort in maths and literacy all week
- Year 6** - Lillie - Always ready to learn  
- Kai - Sharing a positive attitude towards work

**WELL DONE TO ALL PUPILS WHO HAVE HAD A SPECIAL MENTION!**

If you have any concerns regarding a child's welfare, you can contact Staffordshire First Response on 0800 131 3126 (out of hours 08456042886) or email [firstr@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:firstr@staffordshire.gov.uk). Warwickshire Mash safeguarding team on 01926414144

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