

Halling Primary School - Learning for Life!

Our Core Values: Compassion, Integrity, Thankfulness, Respect and Resilience.

Head Teacher's Message

11th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic week we have had at Halling this week! The Grotto has been enjoyed by all and we have loved hearing about the children's experiences and watching some of their visits to Santa. We wanted to thank the PTA again for putting this together for us and to Santa for bringing so much Christmas cheer to the school! If you have ordered a photo and a Christmas decoration, these will be going home with the children next week.

Thank you for bearing with us while we try to get Seesaw, our home learning platform, ready for the children to use at home. The intention of this platform is that you can access learning for your child to complete at home should they need to self-isolate, and also that they are able to complete their homework on there if they so wish. It also stops us from sending things home and bringing things in during the pandemic.

Those of you who have given consent for your child to use the platform will have received log in details from your child's class teacher by now. If you haven't, please pop a note to them and they will rectify this for you. Please be aware that user names and passwords can only be allocated once you have given your consent for your child to use Seesaw. Consent can either be given through School Gateway or in writing via email to the school office.

If you would like a quick demonstration of how to access the platform and find the work that has been set, then please follow this link: [Seesaw Tutorial for Parents - YouTube](#). You will see on the tutorial that three areas are mentioned: 'Journal', 'Activities' and 'Inbox'. All homework tasks or isolation work tasks that teachers set will be put into the 'Activities' area. Class teachers will be able to respond so that children can receive instant feedback.

Due to a number of children and members of staff who are severely allergic to nuts and seeds, we wanted to politely remind everyone that we are a 'Nut and Seed Free' school. Therefore, we do not use nuts or seeds in any of our food prepared on site and we also ask that the following items are not brought into school: packs of nuts, peanut butter sandwiches, fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts or seeds, chocolate products/chocolate spreads that contain nuts, any seeded bread/rolls and cakes made with nuts or seeds. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

We also wanted to let everyone know that we now have a defibrillator in school if a situation ever arises where a pupil or member of staff goes into cardiac arrest.

We'd like to turn your attention to our Halling Pastoral Support website. This page provides pointers and advice for pupils and families on the subjects of mental health, well-being and online safety. Please do have a look to see if there is anything that might resonate with you or be beneficial. To access the site, please follow this link: [Halling Primary Pastoral Support | Facebook](#)

Report cards for Years 1-6 will be going home with the children today, so please do check their bags as I'm sure you are very keen to have a read of them!

Finally, we appreciate that some parents may be anxious about having to isolate over the Christmas period however, the school remains open next week so the children are expected to attend. Our average attendance across the school since September is 97% which is fantastic! With only one more week to go, let's try and keep this huge achievement going!

If you have any questions/queries, please do not hesitate to contact us - we are happy to help 😊

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Take care and stay safe!

Yours sincerely

Miss Selmi
Head Teacher

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Celebrations!

Highest number of correct answers on TTRockstars over the last 7 days
(week commencing 30th November):

Year	Name	Correct Answers
2	Harley	1,200
3	Diamond	3,872
4	Steven	5,768
5	Pixie	3,372
6	Kendra	8,103

Spelling Shed:

KS1 Superstar Speller - Harley (Egypt) - 53,284,316

KS2 Superstar Speller - Jack C (Venezuela) - 28,024,502

Top 3 Classes:

1st - Egypt - 63,132,764

2nd - Kenya - 39,742,881

3rd - Venezuela - 28,694,606

Keep up the hard work ☺

If children have any celebrations or achievements that they have accomplished outside of school, please email them in as we would love to hear all about them!
We will share in our newsletter, website and Facebook page.

We hope that you have enjoyed seeing children's work on Facebook and the website!

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