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# Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

## Newsletter

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed the summer holidays. I love hearing the children talking about all the exciting things they have been doing. It has been extra special for me with the birth of my daughter – Eva! As the leaves turn orange and brown we welcome the season of autumn and the exciting things taking place at Halfpenny Lane!**

### DS Smith Packaging Community Day

DS Smith is a company based in Featherstone who each year, as part of their community outreach, spend the day improving and helping local schools. We are very lucky to benefit from this project this year and on the first day of the holiday, the school had a work force of over 40 people working in and out of school. From varnishing the benches to cutting back trees, they did a sterling job to help make our school a better place!

### School Building Works

During the holidays, a brand new fire alarm system has been installed causing a lot of disruption across the whole school. I would like to thank Mr Kirkland for managing the various contractors. He and the cleaning team have worked incredibly hard to ensure the school was clean and tidy for our return.

### Parent Coffee Morning

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, we will be holding a coffee morning for parents between 9am and 10am. This will provide parents with the opportunity to talk to staff and professionals who work closely with school. Feel free to ask questions, make suggestions or seek advice so we can work together to ensure our children receive the best learning experience. We hope you can join us.

### Teaching and Learning

You will receive a Year group Newsletter today informing you what our teachers have planned for your child this half-term and ways in which you can help them. We continue to have high expectations of all our children, and we ask you as parents to support us in this.

### Text Messages

Please remember to keep us informed if you change your mobile number so that we can update our system. We need up to date telephone numbers in case we need to contact you in an emergency. Please ensure that if you are registered on Parentpay you also login and update contact numbers and email addresses, as the school is unable to do this on your behalf. This will ensure you receive any texts/email letters from school.

### Leadership Team Support

To ensure any concerns about your child are dealt with effectively, we would like you to follow the guidance below. In the first instance, please speak to your child's class teacher. After this, if you feel the matter has still not been resolved please make an appointment with your child's phase leader as detailed below. If there is still no resolution after speaking to the phase leader, you may escalate your concerns further by making an appointment with either myself or Mrs Gawthorp. We can only help if we know about your concerns.

Mrs Brennan

**EYFS Phase Leader**

Mrs McGown

**Year 1 & Year 2 Phase Leader**

Mrs Gawthorp

**Key Stage 2 Phase Leader**

## Attendance

Attendance really matters! If a child is not in school then they are missing out on important learning opportunities. **Our aim is to have a whole class attendance of above 96%.** If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please ensure you inform the office. Minor ailments can be managed in school with the support of the school nurse.

**Our weekly attendance is:**

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	N/A	4A	97.32
RBM	N/A	4B	93.10
1S	99.17	5H	91.67
1W	96.55	5W	96.67
2M	95.00	6D	91.67
2T	96.55	6OT	92.24
3G	94.83	Whole School total	95.14
3W	96.67	Cumulative total	95.14

**Well done to all of those children who were here every day!**



## Celebration



Each and every lesson our children wow us! They work so hard and demonstrate the best attitude to their learning. However, some catch the eye of their teachers and have been chosen for the pupil of the week award! Well done to the children chosen in the grid below!

Class	Child of the week!
RB	N/A
RBM	N/A
1S	Betty Robinson
1W	Alex Williams Dixon
2M	Georgia Sorby
2T	Finnly Searby
3G	Anina Beaumont
3W	Ella Shaw
4A	Oliver Wan
4B	Jessica Cottell
5H	Finley Ball
5W	Sonny Garahan
6D	Riley Logan
6OT	Ellie Doyle

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Mr James Parkinson – Head of School**



<b>TERM</b>	Autumn 1	<b>WEEK ENDING</b>	7.9.18
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<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>WEEK</b>
<b>YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6</b>	<b>95.42%</b>
<b>RECEPTION TO YEAR 6</b>	
<b>NURSERY</b>	

<b>YEAR GROUPS</b>	<b>WEEK</b>
<b>YEAR 1</b>	<b>98.02%</b>
<b>YEAR 2</b>	<b>96.05%</b>
<b>YEAR 3</b>	<b>95.75%</b>
<b>YEAR 4</b>	<b>95.61%</b>
<b>YEAR 5</b>	<b>93.89%</b>
<b>YEAR 6</b>	<b>93.13%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>95.42%</b>

<b>DISADVANTAGED</b>	<b>WEEK</b>
<b>FSM</b>	<b>96.03%</b>
<b>NON FSM</b>	<b>95.25%</b>
<b>GAP</b>	<b>+0.78%</b>

<b>SEND</b>	<b>WEEK</b>
<b>SEN SUPPORT</b>	<b>95.97%</b>
<b>NO SEN STATUS</b>	<b>95.45%</b>
<b>GAP</b>	<b>-0.52%</b>

<b>CLASSES</b>	<b>WEEK</b>
<b>RB</b>	
<b>RBM</b>	
<b>1S</b>	<b>99.44%</b>
<b>1W</b>	<b>96.55%</b>
<b>2M</b>	<b>95.56%</b>
<b>2T</b>	<b>96.55%</b>
<b>3G</b>	<b>95.40%</b>
<b>3W</b>	<b>96.09%</b>
<b>4A</b>	<b>98.21%</b>
<b>4B</b>	<b>93.10%</b>
<b>5H</b>	<b>91.11%</b>
<b>5W</b>	<b>96.67%</b>
<b>6D</b>	<b>92.55%</b>
<b>6OT</b>	<b>93.68%</b>

<b>Persistent Absence</b>
<b>All pupils</b>