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#### **Dear Parents**,

Another busy week in school.

This week was phonics screening in school. A big well done to all the children in Year 1 and a thank you to the phonics team for all their hard work in phonics this year.

Thank you to the parents who attended the Year 6 meeting led by "Standing in the Gap". This was a focus evening on sharing strategies for coping with the transition to secondary school. We had excellent feedback. If you were unable to attend the meeting, don't worry, Mrs Tomlinson has posted out the parent and student workbook: "Emotionally preparing your child for secondary school".

As you will be aware we really value the contribution of sport in the primary school. Mr Townsend took a large team of Year 5 and 6 to the Kwik cricket tournament at Banbury Cricket Club on Thursday. As usual we had excellent reports back about the conduct and sportsmanship of the children and for more detail, read the full report later on.

The weather forecast seems to be set fair for a while. Just a quick reminder about children bringing their water bottles into school every day and the use of sunscreen. It has been lovely to see all our younger pupils coming into school in sunhats.

In addition to this, we have just started practising in preparation for sports day. Please can you make sure that your children have their PE kits in school all week.

Many thanks

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs H Paget-Wall Collins Head Teacher

**Restaurant Award -** This week's winners is YEAR 5. Well Blue House won the House point awards 1,437 – Well Done! But it is getting very tight at the top!

#### **Attendance:**

Whole School – 96.%

termination Respect Enthusiasm Creativity Confidence



## **Events and Aspirations**

**School Fete July 8<sup>th</sup>** - We will be holding our 4<sup>th</sup> Summer Fete on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2pm- 4pm. If you would like to book a table to sell your handmade items please email Rebecca Lister below.

**School Production-Ellie Poppins** - We are really excited to announce the dates for our summer production of 'Ellie Poppins'. The children will perform two performances Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, doors will open at 6.30pm and the performance will begin at 7pm.

Tickets will cost £1.00 each and will be sold on a first come, first served basis (sales open in term 6).

**Do You Have?** - For the School Production, we need to kit out 10 chimney sweeps! Before we buy any 'flat caps and waist coats' we are asking for any donations that you may have at home that we could borrow. If anyone has any - could you please leave them at the school office clearly labelled with your name so that we can return it at the end of the production?

Also..... If anyone has any old gardening tools (hand trowels etc) they no longer need could they also be taken to the school office next week so that the gardening club can make use of them?

Thank you for your support

Rebecca Lister - Aspirations Lead/ HLTA Rebecca.lister@Hanwellfields.org

#### **Dates for the diary**

21<sup>st</sup> June School Nurse Drop in @ 9.30am – 12pm

27<sup>th</sup> June Whole School Photos

6<sup>th</sup> July Foundation Stage Sports Day 8<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fete from 2:00pm

10<sup>th</sup> July Years 1-6 Sports Day

12&13<sup>th</sup> July School Production Performance 17<sup>th</sup> July Graduation Dinner @ 6.30pm

19&20<sup>th</sup> July Parent Consultations 21<sup>st</sup> July Break for Summer





## Year 5 / 6 - Cricket Event

On Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July 2017, Hanwell Fields Community School were able to compete in the cricket tournament held at Banbury Cricket Club. Taking part in this great experience, three teams were chosen to represent our great school, against other schools in Oxfordshire such as: Dashwood, Queensway, The Grange and Hill View. Two out of four matches were won by the Hanwell Fields A team, the B team won three and the girl's team (team C) won two out of four matches. The boy's teams, A and B, were separated to win the cup and the plate whereas the girls only had one competition. The girls had 3 matches before they had their lunch on the other hand, the boys only had one match against the grange and had a break. The score of the Hill View C match for the girls was 42-24 to us; the boy's game against Queensway was 42-12 to us. At the beginning of every game each team started with 200 runs. Despite the day being very challenging, we all had a great time!

Results: Hanwell A team - 4th out of 6 Hanwell B team - won the plate! Hanwell Girls - 6th out of 7

Jake and Brooke

#### **Planting in the Park**



The whole day was a great experience and we learnt a lot about planting and team work. We didn't win this year but we think our flowerbed was amazing!

Alfie and Oliver M

Last Friday, 10 children from year 4 went to People's Park for a day of planting with Mrs Crane and Aiden. There were 11 other schools there and the flowerbeds were judged by the Mayor of Banbury. We planted white flowers for the clouds, blue flowers for the sky, red ones for a building and purple ones for some windows. We then put Spiderman in the middle as though he was climbing the building. We also had to make a centrepiece, ours was a Spiderman made out of chicken wire. While the judging was being done, all the schools joined Puritan online radio show for singing, dancing and competitions which was really good fun!







# We've written a book!





Your child has become a published author in our school's very own book. To order your copy and help raise funds for our school, please complete the order form below and return it to school as soon as possible. You can order as many copies as you like and the more you buy the more money is raised for our school.

**₩**SCHOLASTIC

Watch out for letters coming home soon to order your very own copy of the Hanwell Fields Community School 'We are Writers!' book.

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## Do you need health advice to help children with:



Then drop in and speak confidentially to the School Nurse at Hanwell Fields Community School

**Wednesday 21st June 9.30am - 10.30am.** 

For parents of children in Years 1 to 6.

Welcome to come for a cup of tea or coffee and cake from 9am

Sign in at reception





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**Year 6 Parent / Student Workshop – Date For Warriner School** 



Helping children 0 - 11 manage BIG emotions

# INVITE YOU TO A FREE TALK FOR PARENTS:

## PRACTICAL WAYS TO EMOTIONALLY PREPARE YOUR CHILD FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

100% of parents who have already attended the talk:

- · would recommend it to a friend
- rated the talk as good or excellent

#### **Comments included:**

- "very good format and helpful advice"
- "very informative"
- "good ideas that I hadn't thought of"

WHEN; WEDS 28<sup>™</sup>
JUNE 5.30PM
(JUST TURN UP)

WHERE: WARRINER SCHOOL HALL

WHO FOR: ALL
PARENTS OF YEAR
6 STUDENTS IN
THE WARRINER
PARTNERSHIP

PARENT/STUDENT WORKBOOK AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT THE TALK (£4)

OTHER MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE (CASH ONLY)



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## **Attendance Leaflet**

#### Introduction

Children of school-age who are registered at a school, must, by law, attend that school regularly. Regular attendance is the best way of ensuring that your child makes the most of the educational opportunities which are available to him or her.

When your child is absent from school, he or she misses not only the teaching provided but is also less prepared for the lessons after his or her return.

In particular, parents should avoid taking their children out of school during term time in order to go on holiday.

There are only 190 statutory school days in one year and 175 days (weekends and school holidays) available to use for holidays.

#### Therefore EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

90% attendance means that your child is absent from lessons for the equivalent of one half day every week.

Over five years this is the equivalent of about one half of a school year.

Should your child fail to return to school within 10 school days of the agreed return date and there is no contact from the parents, the school may report the child to the authorities as 'missing'.

#### Extended visits overseas

Occasionally holidays of more than 10 days to visit family overseas may be unavoidable. In such circumstances schools will recognise the importance and significance such visit often have and will wish to ensure that a positive discussion with the parents takes place beforehand.

Schools will stress to parents the likely educational impact upon a child if extended leave is taken during term-time. Schools will also seek to explain what work a child will miss at school, how this may be addressed on return and how the parents can help.

Schools may also consider giving your child work to do while he or she is away.

#### Schools Policies

All schools will have a policy about term-time holidays either in the school brochure or in the schools attendance policy.

This policy will discourage parents from arranging family holidays during term-time and state that leave for term-time holidays will not be granted unless there are exceptional circumstances.

#### What are 'exceptional circumstances'?

It is for the Headteacher to decide on what might constitute exceptional circumstances and each request for a term-time holiday will be considered on an individual basis.

Examples of exceptional circumstances are:-

- A parent, grandparent or other close relative is seriously ill.
- There may have been a significant trauma in the family recently and the Headteacher may consider that an immediate holiday might enable the child to cope with the situation.
- The holiday might be a unique, oneoff never-to-be-repeated occasion which can only take place in the time requested.

#### Where can I find help?

Contact the Attendance and Engagement Team, the contact details are listed below:-

Attendance and Engagement Team Abingdon Business Park c/o Foxcombe Court Wyndyke Furlong Abingdon Oxon OX14 1DZ

Tel: 01865 323513

## When permission is likely to be refused?

- If your child has already had some absence in the current or preceding year.
   It is near or during exam or test
- It is near or during exam or test times.
- It coincides with the start of the school year.
- school year.
   The reason given is that the holiday is cheaper in term-time.
- The school believes that it may have a harmful effect on your child's education.

#### What the Law says.

The regulations make it clear that parents do not have any right or entitlement to take their child out of school for the purposes of a term-time holiday,

#### Issues that Parents need to be aware

Should a school not agree to grant leave and parents take their child on holiday regardless, then this will be counted as unauthorised absence — this is the same as 'truancy'.

The School and The Attendance and Engagement Officer may consider issuing a Penalty Fine of £60 for this period of unauthorised absence.

## Attendance and Engagement Team

### Taking Holidays during Term Time

You and the law on School Attendance

Your questions answered



Information is also available on the Internet at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk Oxfordshire County Council's website

www.cofordshireservicesdirectory.org.uk Directory for parents/carers and people working with children



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## **Next Week's Menu**

