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Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year!

I hope you all had a great summer and had some time to relax. During the summer break we have had a few new additions to benefit the pupils. Firstly, you will have seen the outside gym for our Upper School children. This will be used during PE lessons and other sporting activities as part of promoting health with the children.

In Ladybirds, we have now created a bedroom for our youngest members of our community to allow them to have a well-earned rest. Ladybirds also now have their own outside learning space that has been created to allow specific learning opportunities suited to 2 and 3 year olds.

Our Lower School have the musical instruments placed in their playground and we have resurfaced the blue circle which was aged and preventing play in the winter months.

We welcome to our community some **new teachers**: Mrs Woods (Yr5), Mr Gratwohl (Yr4) and Mr Simmons (Yr6).

Your children will also be experiencing a new aspirational curriculum in Years 1 -6; our new mathematics program is called Inspire and we now have a guided reading programme that is progressive through the school and will support our high expectations.

Your children will also take part in a new home learning challenge which will run throughout the term called Take Away. This relates to the curriculum topic area and your children can take time to produce items of homework that they can choose from a list. They are able to choose the tasks they find most inspiring and earn points through the term.

I will be sending home at the beginning of next week guidance around our **Community Home Learning Hour** that will take place on a Friday. The aim here is to support you and your children with the Take Away homework by providing facilities to complete projects. You will find out about how you can book your child in each week and also how you can come along to and use the school to complete the projects.

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We will also be running a **Hanwell Pop-Up Shop** (non-profit) for all your children's stationery needs. More information to come out next week. The aim of these 2 initiatives is to support all children in producing the best homework they can and to be proud of their achievements.

I have been blown away by our pupils this week. They have settled in brilliantly and have displayed excellent attitudes to coming back to school. Izzy (Catering Manager) has been especially proud of the Butterflies that have been superb in the dining hall and have great appetites!

Attendance Matters – 90% Threshold for Intervention

This year there are changes to the attendance categories in line with new government expectations. I think it is important that we are clear and transparent with you from the onset about what is required if your child falls below 90% attendance. We will ask you to attend supportive meetings to create parent contracts and agreements, written WITH you, to help overcome challenges that are preventing attendance in school. I would like to please remind everyone that holidays will not be authorised in school term times. If your child is absent for appointments, we would appreciate you providing us with proof of these appointments where possible. Let me reiterate we are here to listen, support and find solutions if your child is struggling with school attendance. Please do make contact with myself or Fiona Pringle if you have any concerns.

Please make sure you sign up for the electronic newsletter as all other newsletters will be electronically sent, to save paper and cost.

Have a good weekend!

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Mrs H Wall Head Teacher

Attendance: Whole School – 96% Best Year Group – Year 5 – 99% Best Class – 1JD & 5EW – 100% Nbr 100% - 362 Nbr Lates – 12



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Coming soon.....

The Aspiration Events over the next coming months will include the following:-

School Disco Quiz Night Christmas Fayre Guest Speakers

Further information on all of the above events will follow in due course.

If anyone would like to be part of the 'friends of Hanwell' please email <u>Rebecca.lister@hanwellfields.org</u> for more information. As part of this group I would like to meet up to come up with new fundraising ideas.

Rebecca Lister HLTA/Aspirations Lead

Second Hand School Uniform Is Back!

Uniform will be sold on Monday, Wednesday and Friday Mornings in the key stage 1 canopy at 8:30am - 8:45am .

It will be run by the year six children and money raised will go towards year six leavers gifts at the end of the year.

Uniform prices range from 50p - £2.50

SEE YOU THERE!

Second hand uniform donations

We really appreciate second hand uniform donations. Please donate uniform to the office. All donations should be in good condition, clean with the name label blacked out. Thank you



We will be starting the 10-week Nurturing Programme for Parents of Ladybirds to Children in Year 2 On: Tuesday 4th October 2016 At: 9am - 11.15am Voluntary Contribution: £10 incs book Tea and homemade cakes provided.

Look out for letters in book bags next week

Please contact Rachel Tumilty for more information on 01295 709583, <u>homeschool@hanwellfields.org</u> or collect a letter from the school office.



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PE, Sport and After School Clubs

There have been several exciting developments in the sporting side of the school over the summer break and these are now being introduced to the children either in the form of new clubs, new playground equipment or additional sporting fixtures.

At the very end of last term we got our delivery from Sainsbury's Active Kids. You gave us over 21,000 vouchers which has enabled us to obtain lots of new kit including indoor balls, volley balls, new howlers, relay batons, shuttle cocks as well as lots of play equipment for reception and nursery. These will all be used as part of our PE curriculum this year or to provide new after school clubs. I'd like to thank everyone who gave us a voucher because without them we would not have been able to get any of this new equipment. I am also very pleased to announce that we are in the process of buying training jackets for the school teams thanks to a very generous sponsorship from Magma. We are always looking for sources of funding for new equipment so if anyone knows of a sponsorship opportunity please let me know.

We have 3 new table tennis tables in the canopy which will be used every week in the after school club and we have also introduced basketball and badminton as new clubs. I am very aware that access to clubs is an issue. We provide 180 opportunities for children to participate in a free club every week and this takes a great deal of organising. I am looking at ways to increase the number of different children that can access a club and will keep you posted on any changes. Given the very high demand for club places, please ensure your child(ren) come to every session unless there is a really good reason why they can't. Children who miss 3 sessions without very good reasons will be removed from the club so those on the waiting lists get an opportunity.

Sports academy has proved very popular again and is over subscribed. I will not be able to take all the children who want to be part of it this term. Next week I will advise children if they are in the Academy. Those that applied but are unsuccessful this time will get priority in the future and will be on a waiting list. As with After School Clubs, if children's attendance is poor they will be removed from Academy to enable other children to take up this opportunity.

We have joined the North Oxfordshire School Sports Partnership (NOSSP) this year and this will give us access to even more sporting opportunities for a wider range of children. The first of these is the cross country run which takes place on Saturday 24th September at Banbury Academy and is open to years 1 - 6. Letters have been given to those children who are interested in running and these need to be returned to the office so I can submit our team. If you didn't get a letter but are interested please get a copy from the office.

The new gym equipment in the Upper School playground is proving very popular at break and lunch times. This is part of our on-going efforts to encourage children to keep active. There is increasing evidence that children who are physically active perform better in the classroom as well.

Good luck to all Hanwell Fields children in whatever sporting activity they are doing this weekend. Please remember to respect your opponents, your team mates and the officials and tell me all about it on Monday.

Mr Townsend

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Hanwell Lunch Menu

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	Mondag	Tuesday	wednesday	Thursday	Friday									
Mains	Sizzling Chicken Fajitas	Pork Cassoulet	Honey Soy Chicken	Slow Cooked Beef	Hot Dogs									
Second Choice	Mushroom & Mozzarella Buritto	Cauliflower Cheese	Vegetable Stir Fry	Pesto Pasta	Veggie Dogs									
Veggies	Sweetcorn Salsa	Brown Rice & Harvest Greens	Chow Mein Noodles & Stir Fried Veg	Roast Potatoes with all the trimmings	Potato Wedges & Spring Salad									
Dessert.	Apple Crumble & Custard	Banoffee Pie		Chocolate Mousse	Berries in Jelly									

Our aim is to produce an exciting seasonal menu, we sought fresh local produce. This menu could be subject to change due to fresh produce availability.

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