

HANWELL FIELDS NEWLETTER

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Our Values: Ambition Determination Respect Enthusiasm Creativity Confidence



Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Pupils,

Laserlines Gift to Hanwell

Yesterday we took possession of a 3D printer kindly donated by Laserlines, a local business on Beaumont Road. After meeting with their team the provided us with a demo and a Makerbot printer. The children were so excited to see the shark paperclip turn from a computer image to reality. This printer will be used to bring innovation to children's projects. The first year group to experience the frill of an idea to reality item will be Year 5. This term they are working on Spy Project. Part of their take away learning is to design a spy gadget. Laserlines will judge the winning gadget and the winner will then design on the MAC computer to then see the gadget made.

We will be auditing the curriculum and looking for any opportunity to bring to life children imagination into innovation with this exciting gift. A massive thank you to Laserlines.

Helmets

It saddens me when I see each morning, whilst coming in to school, that there are a number of children riding their bikes/scooters without a helmet. For your child's safety of a possible serious bump to the head, please ensure that they wear a helmet at all times.

Coming into school early

Please can I remind parents, and Year 6 students, that the school gates do not open officially until 8.30am (unless you are using Bridges or Ladybirds) and therefore no children should be on the school grounds until after 8.30am for breakfast clubs.

Have a great weekend!

Kind Regards

Mrs Paget-Wall Collins



Attendance

Whole School – 97.8%

Nbr 100% - 375

Nbr Lates - 12

Best Year Group – Reception – 98.7%

Best Class - EYFS - Glasswing - 99.6%

Lower – 2SR – 100%

Upper – 5HW – 100%



REMINDERS

Parent Pay

The school will now be using Parent Pay for collection of all monies coming into the school. That means that the school are no longer accepting debit cards or cash. You will have received your personal account details to login to Parent Pay and setup your account with the school. This will allow you to pay for lunches, trips, afterschool clubs, etc. We would ask that you make every effort to ensure that you keep your account in credit.

Donations

Throughout the rest of the term the Year 1's will be focusing on a book called 'The Tin Forest' in Literacy. This book focuses on an old man who lives in a scrap yard. He wants his home to be beautiful but he only has tin. We are going to be doing some junk modelling based on the book and creating our own beautiful surroundings. We would be very grateful for anything you can spare. Especially anything shiny such as tin foil and metallic looking objects.

Miss Mason Year 1 Teacher

Visits/Events

Year 6 visit to Black Country Museum on 18th September – please make sure children are in school uniform. Please make payment though your Parent Pay account and return your signed consent slip.

Forest School

Butterflies will be going to Forest School on Thursday. Mr Winborn's class in the morning and Miss Hone's in the afternoon. Children will need forest school clothes and wellies.



Family Links

The Sunshine Centre is running the Family Links Parenting Course



Starting Thursday 28th September For 10 weeks.
12.30pm to 2.30pm
A crèche is available.

If you would like to attend the course please contact Rachel Tumilty (Family Welfare and Safeguarding Coordinator) as soon as possible on 01295 709583 or email homeschool@hanwellfields.org



Hanwell Tech News

Information Update

Are your children safe ONLINE?

Unfortunately, dangers exist online, and it is important for both children and adults to take precautions when using the internet. Parents need to be cautious and aware of security, and should also monitor their children's internet use to prevent abuse or identity theft.

- 1. Early Internet Use In a survey of 825 adults and children between the ages of seven and 16, Shared Hope International one out of eight parents allowed their children to use the internet from the age of two. Consequently, only one out of 10 make their children wait until they are 10 or older, as recommended by experts.
- 2. Unsupervised Use As a result, many children are using the internet unsupervised at an early age. Studies found that over 71 percent of parents not supervise their children's internet use after the age of 14, yet a shocking 72 percent of all missing children cases that begin online involve children who are 15 or older.
- 3. Hiding Information From Parents Unfortunately, regardless of parental intentions and involvement, the <u>Kidsafe Foundation</u> reports nearly 32 percent of teenagers hide or delete their browsing history from their parents. It is imperative for parents to be diligent. Likewise, 16 percent of teens have email or social media accounts their parents are unaware of. Often, children even lie about their ages in order to create such accounts, attracting attention from older children or even adults.
- 4. Sexual Predators The National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) reports 15 percent of children between ages 10 and 17 have been contacted via the internet for sexual intent. It is highly likely many of these solicitors are sexual predators. Adults and children need to use the same precautions online they do when confronted with a stranger face-to-face. According to the Associated Press, over 90,000 sexual predators have been discovered and removed by authorities from the vast social networking site.



Useful Links

www.nspcc.org.uk www.childinternetsafety.co.uk http://ourpact.com/ www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/ www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ http://seeitreportit.org/

- 5. Friends With Strangers Often, teenagers and sometimes even adults are Facebook friends and have conversations online with individuals they have never met in person. Teenagers are trusting often willing to meet with strangers. A recent study found 16 percent of teenagers simply considered meeting someone they have conversed with online, and 8 percent have actually physically met with someone.
- 6. Public Social Media A <u>recent study</u> only 62 percent of teens have their Facebook account set to private. A staggering 17 percent have all of their information, including contact information and whereabouts, public.
- 7. Online Bullying There are several <u>anonymous conversational apps</u> sites where individuals can ask questions or post information to others. These anonymous apps are dangerous because they promote bullying. Hiding behind a computer screen, anonymous bullies can easily taunt, tease, and put down others.

Believe it or not, adults, especially <u>senior citizens</u>, are susceptible to <u>cyber bullying</u>, just as are children and teenagers. It is important to never respond to threatening or obscure messages and to always remain diligent and to report any abuse, whether suspected or proven.

8. Cell Phones - Cell phones are great for keeping in touch and in case of emergencies. Many parents buy cell phones for their children. In fact, approximately 69 percent of 11 to 14-year-olds their own cell phones. All cell phone users need to be aware that a cell phone's GPS can provide others with the user's exact physical location. Also, always be cautious about posting personal cell phone numbers online.



9. Surfing the Web - It is important to be aware and diligent when surfing the web. Web usage and history is constantly being tracked. Visiting insecure or inappropriate websites compromise your personal and financial information or harm your computer. Again, security and ant-virus software are a must for all computers.

10 Video Games - Video games have come a long way in recent years. With the many gaming options available, parents need to be aware most gaming devices can directly connect to the internet and other players. Fortunately, most gaming devices have parental controls and safety settings. These settings allow restricted access, restricted audio chat use, and allow the choice of whom to play. Parents should also limit the amount of time their children play video games.

Talk About Internet Safety

From privacy concerns to sexual predators and identity theft, lots of dangers exist on the internet. Children and teenagers need supervision when using the internet whether they are 5 or 15 years old, and adults need to remain attentive as well. Attention to specific safety concerns, such as sharing whereabouts, photos and personal information, as well as always maintaining a sense of awareness and diligence, will go a long way in protecting your loved ones.

Peter Crane
ICT Technician



Caterpillars

Our first complete week as Caterpillars!

This week saw many Caterpillar children joining us for their first full week at Nursery! With some of the children coming in for half-day sessions and some even with us for full days, we have been blown away with how confident the children are already!

The Caterpillar children come into the classroom with big smiles at the beginning of their sessions, finding their names to match their photographs and then hanging their bags and coats on their pegs- some even all by themselves!

The children have loved exploring the new learning environments, getting to know the grown-ups they are working with, taking part in group-times and developing their independence in our lovely outside area too! The children have even taken part in PE and Forest School sessions for the first time this week and really did love every minute!

I know that when they go home this evening, the Caterpillar team will sleep very well after what has been an exciting and inspiring week! Already we can see that the Caterpillar children are going to love their Nursery year. We can't wait to support them to develop into confident, resilient little learners who are ready to take on the world! **Watch this space Hanwell...!**

If you know of any children who turned 3 before September 2017 and would like to join us for Afternoon sessions each day in Caterpillars, then please encourage them to get in touch. We have a few spaces left and are always happy to meet new children and their families!



Bridges

Bridges breakfast club will return back to 7.30am from the hall as from next Monday 18th September. We are asking Parents to please not arrive before your booked time, especially at 8:00am and if you do please do wait until it is 8.00am for the staff to receive your child.

Mrs Tomalin



Ladybirds

We have been pretty full on with lots of new children settling in to their new environment. We have tried to offer many things that are familiar to them and all seems to be going well...

We recognise that some children take longer than others to settle so are being sensitive to this before we get stuck in with our learning and more structured group times etc.

We have made a promise for next week and said that we would decorate cakes, as well as water play! The ladybirds teachers are feeling a bit worried about what they have let themselves in for...! (So we will get the mop ready!)

Please follow our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/Ladybirds-1481634495450274/.

Have a great weekend

Ms Richards



PE, Sports and Afterschool Clubs

After school club letters are going out this week and the clubs will start on the 25th September. All children attending sports clubs must come in the PE kit not their club football kit and long socks and shin pads are essential for football.

Just a reminder below of the PE Timetable:

Year 1 – Monday

Year 4 – Tuesday

Year 6 – Wednesday

Year 3 – Thursday

Reception – Friday

Regards

Mr Townsend



Lunch Menus

Term 1

Week 1 – w/b –Monday 4th September 17

Week 2 – w/b – Monday 11th September 17

Week 3 – w/b – Monday 18th September 17

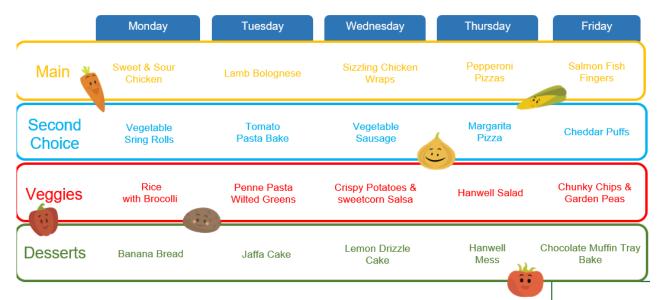
Week 1 – w/b – Monday 25th September 17

Week 2 – w/b – Monday 2nd October 17



Lunch Menu - Week 3





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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