

HANWELL FIELDS NEWLETTER

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Our Values: Ambition Determination Respect Enthusiasm Creativity Confidence



Letter from Chair of Governors

The Local Governing Body at Hanwell Fields currently has two governor vacancies. These are non-constituted roles and therefore may be filled by either parent or community governors. Governors play an important part in the leadership of the school and work together with School staff and United Learning to make sure that the School provides a challenging and supportive environment for all pupils. We would be particularly interested to hear from those with prior experience in analysing and interpreting data whether this is gained in the education sector or elsewhere. We would also value interest from those with prior experience of Marketing, Financial Management or with strong links with the local community and businesses.

Governors need to be able to work as a team and develop relationships with a range of people, have the ability to question and to make connections between different types of information. The usual term of office is three years from the date of appointment.

Expressions of Interest and requests for further information should be made to the Clerk to the Governing Body, Clare Powell at clare.l.powell@gmail.com

Closing Date for Applications: 7th October 2017

(Safeguarding Statement / DBS check required)

Andrew Lister
Chair of Governors



Attendance

Whole School - 98.2%

Nbr 100% - 370

Nbr Lates - 10

Best Year Group – Year 1–99.7%

Best Class - EYFS - Palmfly - 99.6%

Lower – 1JD – 100%

Upper - 3EL/3MJ - 99.6%



School Applications

Applying for Your Child's School



Moving from Caterpillars (Nursery) to Butterflies (Reception) As your child was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014, they will be **starting Reception in September 2018.**

Despite previously applying for a Nursery place at Hanwell Fields, you will soon need to re-apply for a Reception school place with us. This will need to be applied through Oxfordshire County Council and not via the school direct.

The final deadline for school applications is <u>15th January 2018</u>. The easiest way for you to apply for your child's school place is using the Oxfordshire County Council's online system. You can access information regarding Primary School Applications <u>here</u>

To guide you through the process there is an online video providing step-by-step instructions. There is no need to fill out both an online and paper application form, but if you require a paper copy then we can print one for you.

As part of the process you will be required to list three schools in order of preference. It is strongly advised that you use all three options despite wanting a place in just one setting. Oxfordshire County Council suggest ensuring that at least one of your options is your catchment school. To find out where this is (or to make sure we are your catchment school), please enter your postcode on the above website.

Remember- **DON'T BE LATE!** A late application means you are less likely to get a place with us. If you need support with the application process, please approach a member of the Nursery team and we will arrange some time to help you.

Key Dates for school-applications

Monday 25th October 2017: Online school- application process opens

15th January 2018: Final deadline for school applications

16th April 2017: Offer letters/emails will be sent to you from Oxfordshire County Council.

Sophie Chevis

Assistant Head-Teacher (EYFS)



Moving on to Secondary School

The application system for September 2018 has opened and online applications are taking place now.

To read the guidelines to secondary admissions please click here

To apply online for secondary school click <u>here</u> to register or to print a PDF paper copy click <u>here</u>

If you have any queries with either reception or secondary applications please contact the School office.

Year 6 Trip to Black Country Museum

On Monday, Year 6 went to the Black Country Museum where they took part in an authentic Victorian school lesson and ventured into the pitch-black mine. We found out about how our lives differ to those from the Victorian era and that children as young a seven were often sent out to work. During the lesson, we practised our three 'r's - reading, writing and arithmetic on chalk slates. Unfortunately, some of us who got the giggles had to stand at the front of the classroom with our hands on our heads as a punishment. It was hard to believe that children worked down the mines - it was cold, damp and scary, not a place suitable for children. It was fantastic to see such a realistic village, bringing our learning to life.



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.

Events at Hanwell Fields

Over the next few months we have some exciting events coming up at Hanwell Fields from the Halloween school disco to our fantastic annual Christmas Fayre. We will also be celebrating 'Children In Need' as part of our continued support to charities.

Dates for your diary

Halloween disco 2nd November

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5.30pm-6.30pm - Butterflies, Years 1, 2 and 3 7pm-8pm - Years 4, 5 and 6
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Please collect children from the canopy. Tickets will be on sale from 2nd October at a cost of £2 per child. Payment must be made through Parentpay and tickets can be collected from the school office.

Banbury Literacy Live at NOA

October 16th (please see book bags for more details)



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



Ladybirds

The children became very excited when we found worms in the garden this week! We ended up finding five in one afternoon and they sparked a lot of interest. It was a great language activity because the children attempted new words such as "wiggly!" as well as mathematical learning, talking about the size.

We have been singing "there's a worm at the bottom of the garden"... Click <u>here</u> to hear the Tweenies sing it and have fun learning the song at home.

****Bookings are now being taken for half term between the hours of 8.30-4.00

Please remember, once bookings are made you will be charged for cancellation due to staffing. ****

Email your request to ladybirds@hanwellfields.org

Have a great weekend

Ms Richards



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

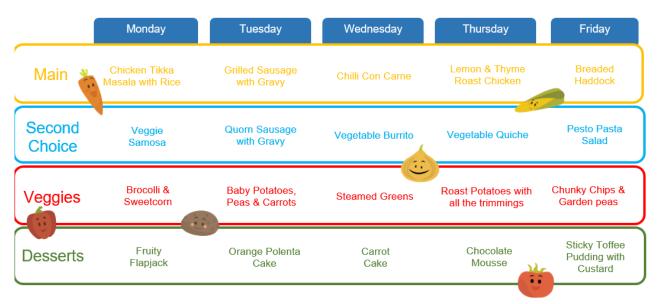
Week 1 – w/b – Monday 25th September 17

Week 2 – w/b – Monday 2nd October 17



Lunch Menu - Week 1





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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