

#### Friday 6th October 2023

"The children have been producing some excellent work this week in preparation for their parents' evenings this week. It was lovely to see so many of you in school, discussing with the staff and having the opportunity to proudly discuss your child's progress in school. The important factor now is that communication channels have been opened early and that you feel comfortable and happy to speak to the staff at any opportunity. Have a lovely weekend" Mr. D Paton, Headteacher

#### HOUSE CHARITY COMPETITION

Our phase leaders have chosen the winning charities that the different phases will support on our 3 Enterprise House Days this year. These will be announced in assemblies next week along with information about all of the charities suggested. We will share the winning charities and house sponsorship events with parents next week. Thank you for all your entries.

#### PARENTS CONSULTATION EVENING

Thank you to all those parents who took the opportunity to attend our Parent Consultation Meetings on Tuesday and Thursday this week. If you were not available or did not manage to make an appointment, then please contact your child's class teacher to arrange a catch up. We have emailed you both a parent and child survey following these meetings to gain your opinions of the school and to make suggestions moving forwards. We would be really grateful if you could take the time this weekend to complete and assist your child in completing and returning these. The survey will close on Sunday at 6pm.

#### MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER - YEAR 4 - CHESTER ROMAN EXPERIENCE

On Monday 9th October, Year 4 will visit the Deva Roman Discovery Centre, this will include an indoor tour of the centre and a outdoor walking tour. During the indoor tour, the children will be transported back to the time of the Romans, where they will travel across the sea to the North of Britannia, to the Roman Fortress of Deva! During the outdoor tour, the class will be enlisted into the Roman Army, where they will meet a veteran of the legion who will put them through their paces and have them working together as a team to become the finest soldiers the world has ever seen! The children should arrive at school at normal time wearing full school uniform with trainers. They will require a waterproof coat. They will be transported by coach, leaving school at 9.15am before returning in time for the end of the school day as usual. Children will require a packed lunch in a disposable carrier bag so this can be binned after eating.

#### PTFA AGM MEETING - MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER - 5.30PM

The PTFA will be holding their annual AGM meeting on Monday 9th October in Classroom 3L (next to the school office). During this meeting they will be voting for and appointing officers to roles within the organisation for the year ahead. They welcome new members

and would love people to come along for their meetings or to volunteer for future events.

#### PTFA 100 CLUB

You have been sent an evolve on behalf of the PTFA to give you the opportunity to purchase numbers for their 100 club draw. The next draw will be held in October and then each month until July. To purchase one number for the academic year is £10 which covers entry into all the draws in this academic year. You can buy multiple numbers to own in the draw. Numbers will be issued from 1 to 100 and will be randomly assigned. The numbers will be drawn monthly and will consist of a first prize of £25, a second prize of £15 and a third prize of £10. You must include a telephone number so that winners can be contacted if you win.

#### **TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER = WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**

On Tuesday 10th October as part of World Mental Health Day, the children can wear a yellow hair accessory or yellow socks for a £1 donation to show their support of this cause. See poster later in the newsletter for more information.

#### YEAR 4 LOCAL AREA WALK - TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER

On Tuesday 10th October as part of their Geography topic, Year 4 will be going on a local area walk. Class 4H will leave at 9.15am and Class 4L will leave at 1.30pm. Your child will require a waterproof coat. We welcome as many parent volunteers as possible so please contact your child's class teacher if you are available to help.

#### CLASS 3L SPACE CAMP - THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER

Next Thursday evening will be Class 3L Space Camp. The children should come to school on Thursday wearing their school PE kits. Please send an empty 2L bottle with them for their rocket building activities. They will require a change of clothes (their own clothes) for the Friday and pyjamas, toiletries and a sleeping bag, pillow etc. They will complete spaced themed activities during the day, before having McDonalds for tea, star gazing and then watching a film.

#### CLASS 3L SPACE CAMP - FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 10AM

On the Friday morning, after breakfast, parents are invited to a 10am assembly to hear about the children's experiences before taking them home for a catch up on their sleep.

#### CLASS 5H ASSEMBLY - FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2.30PM

The children in Class 5H will be performing their class assembly on Friday 13th October at 2.30pm in the school hall. Relatives of children in this class are invited to attend. Please do not arrive at school before 2.15pm as the doors will not open till then. We hope to see you there!

# NEXT WEEK



Mental Health Foundation

mentalhealth.org.uk



October 10<sup>th</sup> 2023 is world mental health day. In recognition of this, we are inviting all the pupils to wear something yellow #HelloYellow, raising money for Young Minds. Pupils can wear one yellow item; this can either be yellow socks or a yellow headband/ bobble. Please no yellow hair and full school uniform must be worn.

We are asking pupils that wish to take part, to make a donation of £1, whilst raising awareness for young people's mental health and the challenges they can face every day. So let's bring a smile to everyone's faces and have a little fun.



fighting for young people's mental health

TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER





Lunt's Heath Primary School



# **Open Evening**

#### for prospective parents. Wednesday 18th October 2023 5.30pm

We are also hosting Open Afternoons on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October. Please call the school office and book onto one of our tours. 0151 423 3322

Come and see our wonderful school!













# AUTUMN 1ST HALF TERM

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TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER = WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY
TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER = 9.15-10.45AM = CLASS 4H LOCAL AREA
                          WALK
  TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER = 1.30 - 3PM = CLASS 4H LOCAL AREA
                          WALK
  WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER = CLASS 3L - SWIMMING LESSONS
THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER = CLASS 3L SPACE CAMP SLEEPOVER IN
                    THE SCHOOL HALL
FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER = 10AM = CLASS 3L SPACE CAMP ASSEMBLY
  FOR PARENTS (FOLLOWING THE ASSEMBLY THE CHILDREN IN
         CLASS 3H WILL BE TAKEN HOME BY PARENTS)
     FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER = 2.30PM = CLASS 5H ASSEMBLY
                    (PARENTS INVITED)
       MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER = ADHD AWARENESS DAY
 MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER = 9.00 – 11.30AM = CLASS 2H HINDUISM
 MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER = 12.30 – 3.00PM = CLASS 2L HINDUISM
  TUESDAY 17TH OCTOBER = 1.30PM – 3.00PM = NEW 2024 EYFS
                PARENTS OPEN AFTERNOON
  WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER = CLASS 3L – SWIMMING LESSONS
   WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER = CLASS 5H = CHEMISTRY WITH
                        CABBAGE
 WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER = 1.30PM – 3.00PM = NEW 2024 EYFS
                PARENTS OPEN AFTERNOON
             WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER = 5PM =
              NEW 2024 EYFS PARENTS MEETING
THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER = CLASS 5L = CHEMISTRY WITH CABBAGE
THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER = INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
      FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER = 8AM - 12.30PM = CLASS 5L -
                    TRIP TO BLUE PETER
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MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER = STAMMERING AWARENESS DAY TUESDAY 24TH OCTOBER = 3.30PM - 6.30PM = EYFS PARENTS' CONSULTATION EVENING WEDNESDAY 25TH OCTOBER = CLASS 3L - SWIMMING LESSONS THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER = INTRA SCHOOL HOUSE DAY = ENTERPRISING FUNDRAISING THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER = 9.30AM = YEAR 3 HARVEST SERVICE AT ST LUKE'S CHURCH (YEAR 3/4 PARENTS INVITED) THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER = 3.30PM - 6.30PM = EYFS PARENTS' CONSULTATION EVENING FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER = SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS (STAFF INSET DAY)



Please find below the School Dinner Menu for the Autumn Term 2023. It is vital that you book your child's school meal a week in advance, using the school gateway system. Please remember that from September School Meals will be £2.70 a day.

The rotation of school meals will be across 3 weeks next year. A pdf of the school meal option timetable will be attached to this email for you to print for your reference. Please note the change to the menu for Thursday next week

**Below will be the menu for WC 9.10.23** 

		Week 3
Monday	Main	Chicken Korma Curry served with 50/50 rice and homemade naan balls Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake O served with homemade garlic dough balls
	Vegetable	Green Beans, Salad Bar
	Dessert	Homemade Raspberry Bun, Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Main	Homemade Beef Burger in a Bun served with saluted potatoes Oven Baked Veggie Balls served with sautéed potatoes
Tue	Side	Garden Peas, Salad Bar
	Dessert	Lemon Drizzle Muffin, Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Main	Roast Turkey Dinner served with Stuffing Balls, Roast/Mash Potatoes & Gravy Quorn Sausage served with Stuffing Balls, Roast/Mash Potatoes & Gravy
Vedr	Side	Carrots & Broccoli
\$	Dessert	Jelly & Ice Cream, Fresh Fruit
٨	Main	<b>Chicken Nuggets</b> Served with potato wedges and beans
Thursday		Filled Jacket Potatoes served with a side salad
	Side	Salad Bar
	Dessert	Homemade Ginger Biscuit & Wedge of Fruit, Fresh Fruit
Friday	Main	MEAT FREE FRIDAYS         Fillet Fish Fingers (x2)         served with chips         Our Famous Homemade Margherita Pizza         served with chips
	Side	Baked Beans, Salad Bar
	Dessert	Kracholates, Fresh Fruit
		Week 3
		18/09 09/10 06/11 27/11 18/12 15/01 05/02 04/03 25/03 29/04 20/05 17/06 08/07



### HEADTEACHER AWARD

<u>EYFS / KS1</u> = Thomas Linfield – Making a fantastic start to Year 2!

<u>KS2</u> = Amelia Prescott – making Mr Paton's day by showing such immense kindness!

## OTIS

Our OTIS programme (On Time, In School) is designed to promote the importance of this. Even being 5 minutes late each day across a year equates to 15 hours lost learning. School has remained open from 8:35am to ensure that children can access easily. Our new Kids Space Out of Hours Club also provides opportunities, as well as the numerous private providers and childminders across the area.

I'd like to reiterate the importance of Attendance and the impact it has on schooling. Our attendance has been excellent since we started back. Holidays in term time cannot be authorised unless it for fills the criteria in the Leave of Absence policy. Please keep this in mind when considering any holiday booking.

# OTIS AWARD WINNERS

Whole School Attendance target for 2023-2024 is 96%.

Last year was 95.4% Attendance since 4th Sept = 97.4% Attendance this week = 96%

Attendance winners this week EYFS / KS1 = Eyfs, Mrs Molloy 98% KS2 = 4H, Mrs Mcllhagga 98.1%

### LUNCHTIME STARS

EYFS = Louie Coady YEAR 1 = Elsie Mellor YEAR 2 = Frankie Fitzsimons YEAR 3 = Alice Brady Duck YEAR 4 = William Price YEAR 5 = Annalyse Jones YEAR 6 = Samuel Plant



### KEY STAGE 1

Class	Name of child	Reason for award
EYFS	Grace Cunningham	Curriculum – fantastic effort during Phonics lessons.
	Louie Coady	Collaboration – for being a team player and helping out at tidy up
		time.
EYFS	Mohamed Gbeira	Curriculum – For always trying so hard in drawing club everyday
		taking his time carefully.
	Felix Dulson	Collaboration – For always working as part of our class team.
1L	Kobi Birch	Curriculum – For using your 'Fred talk' to read new words and for
		identifying red words.
	Cassidy Pope	Collaboration - For working well with others to solve maths
		problems.
1H	Benjamin Greylish	Curriculum – For challenging yourself to write the story of Lost and
		Found by following the story map!
	Aria Fay	Collaboration – For demonstrating wonderful collaboration during
		PE this week. I loved hearing you cheer your friends on!
2L	Rose Eshlin	Curriculum – For excellent vocabulary in her independent story.
	Paulie Lowe	Collaboration – For brilliant talk partner work this week especially
		in Science.
2H	Thomas Gregson	Curriculum – For his excellent understanding in Maths when adding
		2-digit numbers.
	Olivia Hughes	Collaboration – For being a kind and considerate team player and
		always supporting her peers.

### LOWER KEY STAGE 2

Class	Name of child	Reason for award
3L	Maria Hatfield	Curriculum – Excellent work predicting the mysterious story.
		Collaboration - For working brilliantly and smartly with any partner
	Scarlett Campbell	she is next to.
3H	James Parry	Curriculum – For being determined to complete his English work
		independently.
	Teddy Callender	Collaboration –For always making sure everyone feels included and
		taking extra care to involve others during our keyboard sessions
4L	William Price	Curriculum – For getting 25/25 on his multiplication check, the
		highest in the class! Keep it up.
	Rosie Durbin	Collaboration – For working very well with her peers, always
		staying on task in partner work and contributing to our class
		discussions.
4H	Emma Hainey	<i>Curriculum – excellent sentence structure in her extended writing.</i>
	Sylvie McCann	Collaboration – working excellently with her group in this week's
		Science experiment.

### UPPER KEY STAGE 2

Class	Name of child	Reason for award
5L	Blake Cole	Curriculum – For challenging himself to further his understanding,
	Harry Trap	especially when varying his sentence openers in his writing. Collaboration - Working collaboratively in Science to understand
	Harry Tran	reversible and irreversible changes.
5H	Ellissa Swales	<i>Curriculum</i> – For demonstrating fantastic acting when reading out
		her lines for our class assembly!
	Poppy Brandreth	<i>Collaboration</i> – For being a great friend, being able to work with
		anyone in class and stay focused!
6L	Isla Hill	Curriculum – Isla has worked really hard in the class making a great
		start to Year 6. She particularly works hard in English where she is
		not shy to contribute to lessons with her ideas and opinions which
		are well thought-out.
	Harry Gerrard	Collaboration - Harry has shown a real maturity in Year 6 taking to
		his role as History Subject Leader perfectly. He continues to
		support his peers with a great endeavour.
6H	Mason Wright	Curriculum – For brilliant organisation in maths workings to
		answer complex calculations.
	Daisy May Kirk	Collaboration – For choregraphing and organising a dance of 15
		people for our class assembly.



### Spelling Shed Champion Amelia Stacey

# <u>Maths Shed Champion</u> Spencer Sharples

<u>Dojo Champion</u> Scarlett Mcllrow

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Spelling Shed Champion
Jasmine Murphy

<u>Maths Shed Champion</u> Emma Hainey

<u>Dojo Champion</u>

#### **Rosie Durbin**

# TEAR 5 + 6 AWARDS Spelling Shed Champion William Oteh

### Maths Shed Champion Jacey Craig

<u>Dojo Champion</u> Lydia Barber



We started the week with a fabulous visit from Zoo Lab! The children loved meeting the animals and learning all about how the animals have super senses!

#### **Phonics**

This week in phonics we have looked at the sounds of e, l, h, r and j. Just a reminder that you can find a useful video here which explains how the sounds should be pronounced: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q</u> The children have been working hard on their letter formation of these initial sounds. If they fancy some extra practise at home this YouTube channel shares the letter formation rhymes we use in school:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEZhrFZlv6caOgIgflHW-Ug

#### Maths

In our Maths fluency lessons we have been exploring the composition of numbers to four. This means that we have been exploring all of the different ways we can make a total of 3 or 4. For instance, knowing that 4 is equal to 2+2, 3+1 and 4+0.

In our Maths lessons we have been exploring comparing and ordering by size, length and time through lots of practical and hands on activities.



#### 'What can I do with my body?

In our Topic lessons our Big Question has been 'What can I do with my body?' We learned about the five senses thanks to our visit from Zoo Lab and also described the changes and developments our own bodies have experienced in our lives to now for example learning to talk and learning to walk. Thank you for sharing the children's photos to help with this activity.

#### Reminders

Next week we will be thinking about who is in our family so we would be very grateful if you could share photos again via Tapestry to aid the children in discussing the important people in their lives.

We have now had all permission forms returned and activation emails have been sent. If you have not been able to activate your account please speak to a member of the team.

·PE days this half term are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

•Doors will open at 8:35 and the school day finishes at 3:05.

 In readiness for wet weather, we would be grateful if your child could bring a pair of wellies and a puddle suit into school which they can wear for outdoor learning. (Please ensure everything is named-thank you!)

As the half term progresses the children are demonstrating great resilience and behaviour for learning so I'm sure they will be ready for a rest this weekend, The EYFS Team













As an OPAL school we aim to provide the children with more space to play and more things to play with. Developing their imaginations and problem solving skills through play.

You can always help us by donating any unwanted materials you have at home; we always need loose parts and greatly appreciate these throughout the year: chalk  $\mathbf{O}$ milk crates cable rolls/wheels 0 plastic or metal buckets kitchen utensils, pots, pans, plastic plates etc for the mud kitchen. watering cans, guttering tarpaulin go-karts scooters old bikes push chairs  $\bigcirc$ Any larger items that the children can use for den building, making obstacle courses or creative play. If you have anything you would like to donate then please just drop this off at our school office. Please see attached booklet for further information about OPAL. Thank you

# THIS WEEK YEAR 1 - HISTORY GRANDARENTS TOY SHARING

This week, we were so pleased and grateful to be joined by Year 1 children's grandparents. They shared their toys from the past and completed a number of different activities together.



# THIS WEEK YEAR 1 - ART

The children learnt about primary colours and how to mix them to create secondary colours. They used their knowledge of warm and cool colours from a previous art lesson and colour mixing from today to create a painting. The paintings were based on a place or an animal, linked to their Geography lesson all about hot and cold places in the world.



# THIS WEEK YEAR A - SCIENCE

This week, year 4 conducted a science experiment to investigate gases. We blew up balloons with a mix of vinegar and baking soda! The children were shocked when it actually worked.

















# THIS WEEK KS1 FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT (LUB

On Wednesdays after school, some children in KS1 have been attending Fundamental Movement Club. We have been playing a number of different games to develop these skills and have had a great time.



# FREE SCHOOL MEALS

IS YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

THE SCHOOL RECEIVES EXTRA FUNDING FOR EVERY CHILD THAT IS ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION.

IT IS VITAL THAT THE SCHOOL IS ABLE TO OBTAIN AS MUCH ADDITIONAL FUNDING AS POSSIBLE, PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU THINK YOU MAY BE ENTITLED, IF YOU HAVEN'T APPLIED WE WON'T RECEIVE THE FUNDING.

ALL INFANT CHILDREN ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE UNIVERSAL INFANT FREE MEALS, THIS IS DIFFERENT FROM FREE SCHOOL MEALS (AND YOU HAVE TO APPLY).

IF YOU RECEIVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS YOUR CHILD MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET FREE SCHOOL MEALS: INCOME SUPPORT INCOME-BASED JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE INCOME-RELATED EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE SUPPORT UNDER PART VI OF THE IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM ACT 1999 THE GUARANTEED ELEMENT OF PENSION CREDIT CHILD TAX CREDIT (PROVIDED YOU'RE NOT ALSO ENTITLED TO WORKING TAX CREDIT AND HAVE AN ANNUAL GROSS INCOME OF NO MORE THAN £16,190) WORKING TAX CREDIT RUN-ON - PAID FOR 4 WEEKS AFTER YOU STOP QUALIFYING FOR WORKING TAX CREDIT UNIVERSAL CREDIT

IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD MAY BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE FREE SCHOOL MEALS THEN PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF RECEPTION STUDENT PARENTS WHO HAVEN'T MADE A FSM APPLICATION.

EYFS PARENTS CAN ALSO MAKE AN APPLICATION THROUGH THE FREE SCHOOL MEALS SECTION ON THE SAM PORTAL. YOU CAN USE THE SAME ACCOUNT AS YOUR ADMISSIONS APPLICATION BUT IT'S A SEPARATE APPLICATION. A FSM APPLICATION CAN ALSO BE MADE AT ANY TIME, WHEREAS ADMISSIONS HAS CUT OFF DATES.

YOU CAN CONTACT THE COUNCIL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PHONE: 0151 511 7188

EMAIL: RUTLANDHOUSESHAREDADMINTEAM[AT]HALTON.GOV.UK

YOU WILL BE ASKED TO PROVIDE SOME PERSONAL INFORMATION (SUCH AS NAME, ADDRESS) IN ORDER TO FULFIL YOUR REQUEST.

THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE WILL BE HELD SECURELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION.

THE DATA WE ARE COLLECTING IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE. WE WILL ALSO SHARE YOUR DETAILS WITH THE DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION WHO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION FOR THIS SERVICE.

# YEAR 6 HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

#### www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions

## Admission to Secondary School September 2024

If your child is in Year 6 they are eligible to apply for Year 7 class in September 2024, and you can apply NOW:

- You must complete a preference form online at <u>School admissions website</u>, where you will be given a receipt
- A paper copy of the preference form can also be requested from <u>schooladmissions@halton.gov.uk</u> or at any Halton Direct Link Office
- All online applicants will receive their offer of a school place electronically on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024
- Offer letters will be posted to applicants who submit a paper preference form on 1<sup>st</sup> March
  - 2024
- Don't leave it too late you are likely to miss out on the school place you want if you apply late. <u>Deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023</u>





Closing date for Secondary School Applications: 31st October 2023

Please take the opportunity to visit the local high schools during their open events so you can make an informed decision about which school would suit your child best.





To: Parent/Carers of all Halton residents Year 6 pupils

School Admissions Team Yvonne Ward 0151 5117271 Clare Fay 0151 5118601

September 2023

schooladmissions@halton.gov.uk

Dear Parent/Carer,

#### STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 2024 ADMISSION TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR HALTON RESIDENTS

As your child is due to transfer from primary to secondary school in September 2024, we are pleased to advise that the Admission to Secondary School 2024 booklet which explains the arrangements is now available online at <u>School admissions website</u>

It is highly advised that you read this booklet, and then complete the online application available at <u>School admissions website</u>. If any of your preferred schools are in other local authority areas you will need to visit their websites for details on the admission policies and oversubscription criteria. If you are unable to apply online, then please email schooladmissions@halton.gov.uk, or drop into one of the Halton Direct Link Offices to obtain a form or call us on the numbers above.

The timetable for Secondary School admissions is as follows:

September 2023	Admission to Secondary School booklet available online. Online applications open
31 <sup>st</sup> October 2023	Closing date for receipt of preference forms and online applications
1 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	Notification of outcome of preference available online, to those who applied online, and letter posted to parents of paper applicants
29th March 2024	Closing date for submission of intention to appeal

You should read the booklet carefully, and think about how your child's application will be considered against each of your preference school's oversubscription criteria before indicating that school as a preference. Failure to submit an application may result in the Local Authority being unable to allocate a place for your child at your preferred school.





It is important that you make as many preferences as possible (up to the maximum of 3) to increase your chances of being offered a school of your preference. It is sometimes not possible to offer any of a parent's preferred schools and in these circumstances your child will be allocated a place at the nearest school with vacancies by the Local Authority.

However, this will not affect your right of appeal to an independent appeals panel against the decision not admit your child to your school(s) of preference and details on these procedures will be given to you at that time. If you require any further information please contact a member of the School Admissions Team on the telephone numbers above or by email.

Please note: There is no first-come-first-offered basis for applications. All applications received are considered against the oversubscription criteria for the school. The important thing to do is to make sure that you complete the online application, or submit a paper application form on-time, before the deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023. Failure to do so will result in your application being considered as late, and this may harm your chances of being offered the school you prefer. Schools will be holding open day/evening events over the coming months and you should contact your preference school(s) directly for further information.

If your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) you should contact your child's SEND Coordinator to discuss their transition to secondary level education and you **do not** need to make an application as this will be coordinated by the SEND Team.

If you've received this letter and your child does not live in Halton please contact your local authority for details on their scheme and make your application to your home local authority, even if you wish to make preferences for Halton schools.

Yours sincerely,

Halton School Admissions Team

# REW RECEPTION APPLICATION

www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions

# Admission to **Primary School** September 2024

If your child was born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020 they are eligible to start Reception class in September 2024, and you can apply NOW:

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school place you want if you apply late. Deadline is 15<sup>th</sup>







To: Parent/Carers of all Halton residents Applying for Primary School 2024

School Admissions TeamYvonne Ward0151Clare Fay01515118601

September 2023 schooladmissions@halton.gov.uk

Dear Parent/Carer,

#### STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 2024 ADMISSION TO PRIMARY SCHOOLS FOR HALTON RESIDENTS

If your child was born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020, or if you requested a deferred entry to primary school and that has been agreed for your child for September 2024, they are eligible to commence Primary School in September 2024. We are pleased to advise that the Admission to Primary School 2024 booklet which explains the arrangements is available online at <u>School admissions website</u>

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The timetable for Primary School admissions is as follows:

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15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Closing date for receipt of preference forms and online applications
16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Notification of outcome of preference available online, to those who applied online, and letter posted to parents of paper applicants
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Please note: There is no first-come-first-offered basis for applications. All applications received are considered against the oversubscription criteria for the school. The important thing to do is to make sure that you complete the online application, or submit a paper application form on-time, before the deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Failure to do so will result in your application being considered as late, and this may harm your chances of being offered the school you prefer. Schools will be holding open day/evening events over the coming months and you should contact your preference school(s) directly for further information.

If your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) you should contact your child's SEND Coordinator to discuss their application and you do not need to make an application as this will be coordinated by the SEND Team.

If you've received this letter and your child does not live in Halton please contact your local authority for details on their scheme and make your application to your home local authority, even if you wish to make preferences for Halton schools.

Yours sincerely,

Halton School Admissions Team

#### HALTON HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

### Fit 4 Life Bite Size Sessions

#### Join us for our online parent/carer workshops:

#### **SLEEP & SCREENS**

Did your children sleep well last night? In this session we will explore how the length and quality of sleep can affect us and our children. Pick up new tips and ideas to promote good quality, restful sleep. We will also look at how screens affect our children, and share ideas for managing screen time better.

#### **FUSSY EATING & SNACKING**

Are your mealtimes stressful? It's easier said than done to get children to try new foods. In this session we will share tips and techniques to encourage your child to eat more variety. We will also talk through the steps to food acceptance. We'll share healthy snack ideas as we look at alternatives to sugary snack favourites.

#### **PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & SUGAR**

Would you like to be more active as a family? Children love to be active but as they grow, their attitudes towards physical activity may change. We have some great tips and information on overcoming barriers, how sugar affects our body and the effects caffeine has on our brains.

These workshops are for parents and carers. Choose from the following sessions:

#### 45 Minute - Online Workshop

Fussy Eating & Sleep & Screens Snacks

Physical Activity & Sugar

To see available dates & to book your place please scan the QR Code, visit

https://halton.me/parent-carer-bitesize-sessions-booking-form/

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