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The Heads Up

SPRING TERM

ISSUE 16

Friday 14th February 2025

I hope that this letter finds you well and that you have all had a good week. Whilst it is the last week of this half term, we certainly haven't found ourselves slowing down. If anything, this week has been one of the busiest in a long while! As well as having lots of trips and visitors, we were really pleased to be able to welcome you all into school for our parent consultations. We always like to give you the chance to come into school, especially when it involves you finding out about your child's progress and seeing the work in their books. With regards to next week, I do hope that you all have a lovely half term and that you are able to do whatever it is that you have planned. As always, I would like to thank you for your support, as well as thanking my staff for all of their hard work. Take care and I look forward to seeing you when we return to school on Monday 24th February.

Mr Horsfield

Parent Survey

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to complete one of our parent surveys. Your opinions are really important to us and we do act on the feedback that we receive from you. If you didn't get the chance to complete one at Parents' Evening, you can collect a paper copy from the school office. If you took one away with you, please can you return it to us by Friday 28th February. I will then collate all of your

Return to school

School and Kids Kapers will reopen on Monday 24th February.

Clubs

A reminder that apart from Martial Arts and iRock, there are no clubs during the first week back after half term. All clubs will start again w/c 3rd March.

Little Troopers Charity—Thank you

Thanks to all who came and supported the Little Troopers Cake sale. You helped to raise £254! Thank you so much!



Year 6 visit to the Trenchard Museum

On Wednesday, our Year 6 class had a brilliant morning when they visited the Trenchard Museum at RAF Halton. The children travelled back in time to 1939, as they were welcomed in by the ARP Warden, Gordon, who stamped all the children's identity cards and checked they had their labels affixed! During the morning they learnt so much about life on the home front: looking at rationing and tasting home made bread and margarine and tapioca pudding. The children loved looking at all the gas masks and trying them on. It really was an action-packed morning, during which there were air-raids, weapons training and the chance to fly a plane from Halton airfield, using one of the flight simulators. As well as our children having a great time, I know that the volunteers at the Trenchard Museum had a great time too, all of whom praised Year 6's enthusiasm and behaviour.

Internet safety—advice for children aged 6-10

Early use of digital technology can boost language skills, social development, and creativity in children. However, it also carries risks like exposure to inappropriate content, sharing personal information, or imitating older kids online. Here's how to ensure a safe and positive online experience for children aged 6-10.

[Guide for parents](#)

If you or your child would like any support with any issues regarding E-safety, please feel confident in approaching myself, Mrs Allen or Mrs Dawkins. We are all Designated Safeguarding Leads and will treat your concerns sensitively and with confidentiality.

Children's Mental Health Week

This week, all of the classes in school have taken part in activities linked to Children's mental Health Week. This is the 4th year that we have participated in this nationwide initiative, with the theme for this year being "Know Yourself." This theme is looking at emphasising the importance of us expressing our emotions and recognising them in ourselves, at the same time realising that expressing our emotions is not negative or a sign of weakness. Many of the activities linked to the Pixar movies 'Inside Out 2' and you can find out more about the week by clicking on the following link:

[Children's Mental Health Week 2025](#)

Key dates

w/c Mon 17th February—half term week

Thurs 27th February—PTA movie night

Mon 24th February—School and Kids Kapers reopens

Thurs 6th March—PTA meeting

Fri 14th March—Railway Children theatre performance for KS2

Fri 4th April—iRock concert, 9.30am

- school ends for Easter holidays

Tue 22nd April—School and Kids Kapers reopens for summer term

Netball result

Well done to all of the Y5 and Y6 children involved in the netball match this week v Aston Clinton. A thrilling game ended 14-4, an incredible score line! Well done everyone and thank you to Macie and Mrs Powell for leading the team so well.



PTA Movie night

On Thursday 27th February, we will be hosting our PTA Movie Night. Very soon, you will be able to purchase your ticket via Parent Pay. This will include entry and a hotdog / veggie dog. There is a choice of movies, all of which will start straight after school. We will organise who wants to watch which film when we return to school after half term. Anyone booked in for Kids Kapers on Thursday 27th February will not have to pay for Movie Night if they wish to attend. Everyone will need to collect your children from 5.20 that day, more information will be distributed prior to the event.

Hire our hall

Having a party or a large event? Don't forget you can hire our hall for £25 per hour.

More information can be found on our website:

[Hiring our hall](#)

Halton Pre-School

Starting our Learning Journey
Halton Pre-School

Halton Pre-school offers a warm and nurturing learning environment for the youngest members of our local community.
Set within the grounds of Halton Community Combined School it offers a well-equipped building and outdoor provision designed for children aged 3 & 4 years old.



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FEBRUARY HALF TERM SWIMMING COURSE

The Wendover Pool, HP22 6HF



DATES AND TIMES

MONDAY 17TH FEB

09:30 to 11:00 AM

TUESDAY 18TH FEB

09:30 to 11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY 19TH FEB

09:30 to 11:00 AM

THURSDAY 20TH FEB

09:30 to 11:00 AM



30 minute lessons

MORE INFO!

£52 for 4 day course

Limited to 6 children per class

Beginner through to advanced lessons

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Ages 4 - 7
WENDOVER COFE JUNIOR,
HP22 6HF
Ages 7 - 12

FULL DAY
8:30am - 3:30pm
£27.92 a day
EXTENDED DAY
8:30am - 6:00pm
£37.00 a day

Dates: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February

Additional info: The John Hampden is now Early Years registered with Ofsted. Children aged 4+ and in reception can attend the full or extended day. Children attending the extended day will be taking over to the Wendover Youth Centre opposite the 2 schools. Collection can begin from 4:00pm.

Our 5* Holiday Camps are the perfect place to keep your kids entertained over the February half-term.

Children can meet new friends, have lots of fun, and create wonderful memories! Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before - from dodgeball to cricket, basketball to archery.

Book now for a half-term full of fun!

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Suitable clothing
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AFTER SCHOOL CLUB & HOLIDAY PLAYSCHMES

February Playscheme

17-21 February 2025



Who helps you in your everyday life?
This is a chance for the children to think and appreciate people who help them. We will be creating hats, lollipop sticks and thinking about all the emergency service workers who help people everyday! We will also be having fun outside in the garden, riding on the go karts, using the climbing frames and getting crafty with the children.

WHY NOT VISIT US BEFORE BOOKING?
If you and your child would like to see the fantastic facilities and meet our team before booking, please contact us to arrange a suitable date and time.

BOOKINGS
We accept advance and last-minute bookings for the After School Club and Holiday Playschemes through our online booking system. To register and book sessions for your child please visit jppc.magicbooking.co.uk
All bookings must be accompanied by payment. We accept card, cash payments, childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare.

HOURS AND PRICES (per child, per day)
Full Day 8am-6:30pm - £35
Half Day 8am-3:30pm - £26
Playscheme is for all children from the age of 4 up to their 13th birthday.



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