

Halton Community Combined School

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The Heads Up

AUTUMN TERM

ISSUE 3

Friday 9th October 2026

Mad Hair!

Friday 23rd October will be the PTA Mad Hair Day. The donation for this is £1 and children will need to be wearing their uniforms or PE kits as usual.



Year 3 artwork

Year 3 have been working really hard in their art lessons over the past few weeks and they have produced some fabulous Anglo-Saxon style pictures using an array of different materials. Who knew that you could do so much with sand, charcoal, cous cous and a bit of imagination! Well done Year 3, you've done a great job!



I hope that this letter finds you well and that you have all had a good week. I can't believe that we are already in October and only a couple of weeks away from the first half term holiday. It has been a really busy and fun few weeks in school and I have had lots of visitors bringing their work to show me, obviously in exchange for a Headteacher's Award. From writing to maths, art and science, I really have seen it all! I've been most pleased by the stickers that have been given to children for making the right choices, often in tricky situations, where kindness, calm and maturity have really shone through. Well done everyone for another positive week!

Mr Horsfield

PTA Movie Money Challenge

Thank you so much to everyone who has very kindly donated towards our first fundraising event. The children have been so excited to bring in their loose change and put it into the class jars, with many of the classes having already filled up and emptied their jar several times! We will keep collecting until the end of next Wednesday, after which the coins will be counted and the class with the most money raised will win a movie afternoon! Thank you to the PTA for organising this fabulous event!

MOVIE MONEY CHALLENGE

FILL YOUR CLASS BUCKET. WIN A MOVIE AFTERNOON.

MON 05 - WED 21 OCTOBER

Bring in your spare change
1p, 2p & 5p coins
Larger coins welcome too

THE CLASS WITH THE MOST WINS
A MOVIE & POPCORN AFTERNOON

RAISING MONEY FOR THE NEW AIR-CON & HEATING SYSTEM

LET THE COIN COUNTING BEGIN!

Break time snack

All of the children in school are allowed to have a fruit or vegetable snack at break time. This could be a piece of fruit, a tub of berries, carrot sticks etc. Early Years and KS1 are provided with one however KS2 need to bring in their own. Please can we ask that you encourage the children to bring their tubs home as we already have quite a collection in school.



End of the day

Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 are allowed to walk home if we have received permission from their parents or carers.

If your child does not have permission to walk home, or if they are in Preschool to Year 3, they must be collected by an adult notified to us.

Older siblings can only collect Halton pupils if they are 16 or over.

If there is ever a change to who is collecting your child, even if it's a one-off, you must let the office know or else we won't let the child leave with them.

Parent Consultations

A reminder that this year our first set of parent consultations will be taking place later in the year. This is in response to your feedback, with the later date allowing your child's teacher to discuss their progress and attainment for the autumn term. The dates are on the next page and we will let you know when the booking system is live.

Fundraising events next Friday

Next Friday, we will be hosting a bake sale to raise money for Hannah Jagers (see below). If anybody is able to donate any cakes, we would be really grateful, and these can be brought into school on Friday morning. Likewise, we would be really grateful for anyone who would like to come and buy a cake. As well as this, Charlie in Y6 has been very busy making Pokemon keyrings which will also be for sale next Friday, with all money raised going towards Hannah's operation.

Helping Hannah

To get the **urgent** spinal surgery she needs

Family, friends, friends of friends, we desperately need to ask for your help to raise funds for Hannah's urgent spinal surgery. A few short weeks ago, discovered completely by chance Hannah was diagnosed with scoliosis. We are normally such a private family and hate having to ask for help, but please if you can spare a few pounds or share the link below to help our beautiful young lady, we would be eternally grateful. *Pauline, Grant and Hannah Jagers x*



We have set up a crowdfunding page to help raise the funds we need. If you would like to contribute please scan the QR code or go to www.crowdfunder.co.uk - 'Donate' and search for 'Hannah Jagers'



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Help to make our school cool...

You will know that we are in the process of sourcing quotes for air conditioning units, to mitigate the risk of any future extreme weather. Our Go Fund Me page is one way that we will be raising money for this project, with the QR code above and the link below. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

[Our school Go Fund Me page](#)

Thank you to everyone for their donations so far. Currently we have raised £120! Your support is very much appreciated.

Hiring our school hall

Our large hall is available to hire at weekends as well as evenings throughout the week. We can accommodate one-off events or regular bookings, depending on availability. **£25 per hour**. If you would like to check for availability, or you have any further queries, please contact our school office



Mrs Dawkins



Mrs Allen

SAFEGUARDING

Keeping your children safe is paramount to us and that includes times when they are not in our care, for example when they are at home or online.

The Designated Safeguarding Leads at our school are **Mr Horsfield, Mrs Dawkins and Mrs Allen** (above). We are always available to help you and your children and we can be contacted at any point if you have a safeguarding concern.

Your concerns will always be taken seriously and will be treated sensitively.

Smart watches

A reminder that children are **not** to wear Smart watches in school. This is not only a school rule, but is also in line with government legislation as well.

Key dates for this term

Friday 16th October - Cake sale and keyring sale at 3.20pm
Friday 23rd October—PTA Mad Hair Day (school uniform to be worn)
w/c Monday 26th October – School closed for half term
Monday 2nd November—Inset day, school closed
Tuesday 3rd November—School and Kids Kapers reopen
Wednesday 11th November - Remembrance assembly, 9.15am
Thursday 12th November—Cinderella pantomime in school for all classes
Monday 23rd November – Parent Consultation Evening, 3.50pm-7.00pm
Wednesday 25th November – Parent Consultation Evening, 3.50pm-6.30pm
Wednesday 9th December – Preschool and Bluebells Christmas play, 10.00am
Wednesday 9th December – Fresh Start 'Christmas Lunch'
Tuesday 15th December – Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas play, 2.00pm
Wednesday 16th December – Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas play, 10.00am
KS2 Carol Service at St George's Church, 2.00pm
Thursday 17th December – Christmas Jumper Day
PTA Christmas Disco, 6.00pm
Friday 18th December – School closes for Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January – School and Kids Kapers reopens

Other key dates for this academic year

w/c Monday 15th February - school closed for half term
Monday 15th March – Parent Consultation Evening, 3.50pm-7.00pm
Wednesday 17th March – Parent Consultation Evening, 3.50pm-6.30pm
Friday 25th March – School closes for Easter holidays
Tuesday 13th April—School and Kids Kapers reopen
Thursday 29th April—Military Day
w/c Monday 10th May - Y6 SATs Week
Wednesday 19th May—Sports Day (EYFS, KS1 am / KS2 pm)
Wednesday 26th-Friday 28th May—Y6 residential to Woodrow High House
w/c Monday 31st May - School closed for half term
Monday 7th June – School and Kids Kapers reopens
Wednesday 9th June – Back up date for Sports Day
Monday 28th June —Inset day, school closed
Friday 9th July—End of year reports sent home
Wednesday 21st July—School closes for summer holidays



Who do I contact

Who do I contact to discuss... Reporting an absent child Lunches Change of address or contact number Parent Pay Medication Leave of absence requests Uniform After school clubs	➡	The Office Team Mrs Rainbow (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs am) Mrs Parsons (Thurs, Fri) Mrs Vylgina (Tue, Wed, Fri) office@haltoncc.school 01296 622264
Who do I contact to discuss... Safeguarding or child protection concerns Confidential information	➡	Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mr Horsfield Mrs Dawkins Mrs Allen
Who do I contact to discuss... Family support Attendance Service Family contact	➡	Mrs Allen (Family Support Coordinator) callen@haltoncc.school
Who do I contact to discuss... SEND enquiries Educational Healthcare Plans	➡	Lucy Barker SENCO@haltoncc.school
Who do I contact to discuss... Speaking to a governor	➡	Lindsay Ablitt (Chair of Governors) governor@haltoncc.school or office@haltoncc.school
Who do I contact to discuss... Pre-school	➡	Vicki Bowden (manager) preschool@haltoncc.school Krystyna Vylgina (invoices) payments@haltoncc.school
Who do I contact to discuss... Kids Kapers (breakfast and after school club)	➡	Krystyna Vylgina (bookings and invoices) payments@haltoncc.school Julie Frier (Manager) office@haltoncc.school 01296 623635
Who do I contact to discuss... Questions about learning My child's reading book Personal wellbeing Behaviour concerns Friendship concerns	➡	Class teacher Please arrange a convenient time to meet or speak on the telephone. <i>*Seesaw is only for homework related queries or for submitting work</i>
Please make your child's class teacher your first point of contact however our Senior Leadership Team are also available to offer support if necessary. Mr Horsfield – Headteacher Mrs Dawkins – Deputy Headteacher Mrs Allen – Family Support Coordinator Miss Barker – SENDCO Ms Bates – Lead Teacher Mrs Powell – Lead Teacher They can be contacted via office@haltoncc.school or on 01296 622264		

We will always aim to respond to you as quickly as possible. Please be mindful that the majority of staff do have a teaching commitment and therefore the most convenient time to meet would be after school.



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Running Joke Theatre Company
PRESENTS

THE CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED, AWARD-WINNING PLAY

WONDER BOY

BY ROSS WILLIS



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FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 7.30PM
SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2.30 AND 7.30PM
QUEEN'S PARK ARTS CENTRE, AYLESBURY
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"What use is a boy who can't say his own name?"

Wonder Boy tells the uplifting story of Sonny, a 12-year-old boy trapped in a failing education system. Hiding in silence behind a debilitating stammer with only Captain Chatter - a superhero who exists only in Sonny's mind - to help, Sonny is struggling to navigate his way through secondary school, when to his horror, he is cast in the school production of Hamlet. With rehearsals underway and the pressure mounting, Sonny joins forces with his inspirational teacher Wainwright and hilarious new friend Roshi. Together, the trio embark on a journey of discovery and acceptance, as Sonny's new friends help him unlock the power of his own voice.

Running Joke are delighted to bring Ross Willis' critically acclaimed, award winning play **WONDER BOY** to the stage.

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"Should be on the school curriculum tomorrow" *WhatsOnStage*

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10th & 11th October



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- Our classes support literacy, speaking and listening and develop empathy and teamwork
- Saturday mornings at the Wendover Youth Centre
- Classes for ages 4-7, 8-9, 10-12
- From £7 per hour

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Call or email Tess to book or chat about what we do
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GET ACTIVE, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS!

OCTOBER HALF TERM SWIMMING COURSE

The Wendover Pool, HP22 6HF




DATES AND TIMES

MONDAY 26 TH OCT	09:30 TO 11:00 AM
TUESDAY 27 TH OCT	09:30 TO 11:00 AM
WEDNESDAY 28 TH OCT	09:30 TO 11:00 AM
THURSDAY 29 TH OCT	09:30 TO 11:00 AM



MORE INFO!

- 30 minute lessons
- £56 for 4 day course
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