HASELWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter · Autumn 2026

Upcoming Dates

Weds 4th Nov
MaKe Photography - Individual portraits

Thurs 5th Nov
Bonfire Night Theme Lunch

Weds 11th Nov
Remembrance Day

Fri 13th Nov
Children in Need

Wb 16th Nov
Anti-bullying week
Assessment & MOCK SATs

Wb Mon 23rd Nov
Parents Evening - Teacher availability varies. Info to follow.

Nativity PlayTickets on sale. £1 per ticket. 2 per family

Weds 25th Nov
Toucans class trip to Gosport Ice Show

Mon 30th Nov
Whole school flu vaccinations

Tues 1st Dec
Non-School Uniform Day - donations of bottles for Christmas Fair
School Disco - details to follow

Fri 4th Dec
Santa's Workshop

Mon 7th Dec
KS1 Nativity dress reharsal

Weds 9th Dec
KS1 Nativity performance 9.30am

Thurs 10th Dec
Christmas Fair & Santa's Grotto

Thurs 17th Dec
Christmas dinner & Christmas jumper day

Fri 18th Dec
Last day of term

Mon 4th Jan
INSET Day

Tues 5th Jan
Back to school - Spring term begins

A message From Mrs Jones

Welcome Back!

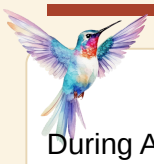
I hope you all had a lovely October half-term break and enjoyed some quality time together. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school, refreshed and ready for another exciting half term of learning.

We have lots to look forward to over the coming weeks, and I am excited to see what the children will achieve, the new things they will discover and the progress they will continue to make. There are always so many opportunities for learning, growing and making special memories at Haselworth!

Please take a moment to look through the key dates in this newsletter so that you are aware of all the upcoming events and activities taking place this half term. We wouldn't want you to miss anything!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I look forward to another busy, happy and successful half term together.

What We're Learning This Half Term



Hummingbirds

KS1

During Autumn Term 2, Hummingbirds will be exploring a range of exciting topics! We will be learning about Bonfire Night, Guy Fawkes and Diwali, discovering why these celebrations are important and how they are celebrated around the world. We will also be exploring the wonderful world of animals, learning about their different senses, habitats and how they use their senses to survive. The children will begin to investigate food chains and discover how living things depend on one another. There will be lots of opportunities for curiosity, discussion, creativity and hands-on learning as we explore the world around us!



Macaws

KS1

Macaws Class has an exciting half term ahead, packed with creativity, discovery and festive fun! Children will be developing their writing through inspiring stories, building confidence in key maths skills, and exploring the fascinating world of animals and food chains.

They'll travel the globe in Geography, create clay sea creatures in Art, learn Christmas songs in Music, and develop teamwork through multiskills and hockey in PE. We'll also focus on online safety, explore the Christmas story in RE, and mark Remembrance Day and Anti-Bullying Week as we learn about kindness, respect and remembering others. It's set to be a fantastic half term of learning and celebration! 🌟

Flamingos

KS2

Flamingos Class is in for a busy and exciting half term! We'll be developing our writing through Our Tower and Coming Home, building confidence in times tables, fractions and problem-solving, and discovering how our digestive system works.
Children will also become bakers in DT, explore Portsmouth and Southsea in Geography, learn about the seasons in Spanish, continue ukulele lessons in Music, and enjoy football and dance in PE. Alongside this, we'll be learning about money, spotting fake news, staying safe online, exploring Advent in RE, and taking time to reflect during Remembrance Day. It's set to be a fun, creative and engaging half term! 🌟

A Little Reading Reminder from Miss Blair📚
Reading at home makes a huge difference! Whether it's a storybook, comic, recipe or magazine, just five minutes a day can help develop your child's reading confidence and fluency. Asking simple questions about what they have read, such as "What happened?" or "Why do you think that happened?", is also a fantastic way to support comprehension.
A huge well done to all the children who have been filling up their reading bead necklaces! It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm for reading, and we hope to see even more beads being earned this half term.
We are looking forward to another wonderful half term of learning in Flamingos Class! 🦩

Toucans

KS2

During Autumn Term 2, Toucans will be exploring some fascinating topics! In Art, we will be learning about Jasper Johns, discovering his unique style and exploring how he uses everyday objects, symbols, numbers and colour in his artwork to inspire our own creations. In History, we will be travelling back in time to explore Benin's Golden Age, learning about the ancient Kingdom of Benin, its rich culture, powerful rulers, impressive achievements and artistic legacy. The children will have lots of opportunities to develop their historical understanding, creativity and curiosity as they explore these exciting topics.

Thank you to all who responded to our Parent Survey this week. In responses to anyone who is unsure about what their children will be learning, we would like to direct you to the About Us section of our website where you will find lots of information about your child's learning under Curriculum.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Parent volunteers wanted

Can you help us plan and set up? Please speak to the school office.

Come along for festive fun, treats and Christmas cheer!
We will also have a special visit from Santa in our Santa's grotto



Friendly Reminders

Packed lunches

Please send a balanced lunch with fresh fruit or veg, water and no sweets. A little sandwich variety keeps everyone happy. We are a nut free school so no peanut butter or chocolate spread please.

School uniform

White polo shirt, black or grey trousers or skirt, black shoes and the school jumper.
Please ensure children bring a warm coat to school everyday.

Please ensure children's jumpers are labelled clearly with their name as we have lots in lost property with no names on

Water bottles

Please label bottles with your child's name.



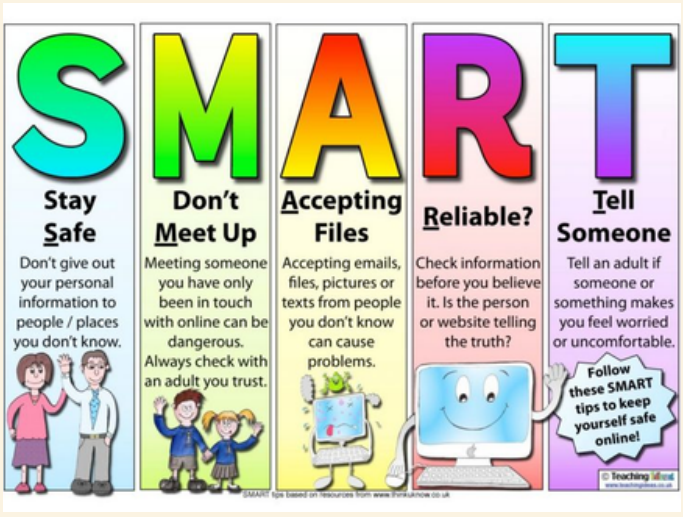
Wellbeing Tips



1. Connect
Spend a few minutes each day chatting with your child about their day — even small moments build trust and closeness.
Encourage playdates or group activities to help children strengthen friendships.
2. Be Active
Walk or cycle to school when possible — it's a great way to start the day with energy.
Try short, fun family activities like dancing in the living room or playing tag in the garden.
3. Take Notice
Celebrate small achievements — a kind act, a creative drawing, or a new skill learned.
Encourage children to notice nature: spotting birds, leaves, or clouds can be calming and mindful.
4. Learn
Read together daily — even 10 minutes can spark curiosity and improve literacy.
Let children explore hobbies like baking, drawing, or building, to nurture creativity and confidence.
5. Give
Encourage kindness — helping a friend, sharing toys, or writing a thank-you note.
Involve children in small acts of giving, like donating old books or helping set the table.



Extra tip for parents:
Remember, your wellbeing matters too. Taking time for yourself — whether it's a quiet cup of tea, a walk, or chatting with a friend — helps you support your child better.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance for this week is %. The national average is %

Class	Attendance %	No of lates
Hummingbirds	92%	26
Macaws	92%	42
Flamingos	95%	42
Toucans	88%	35

Meet our Designated Safeguarding Leads



Mrs Jones
Headteacher &
Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Howard
Deputy Headteacher,
SENDCo &
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Rix
School Business Manager
& Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead

All DSLs are available for both children and parents to speak to if you have a safeguarding worry or concern. Every school must have a DSL who will take lead responsibility for safeguarding and child protection, provide support to staff members to carry out their safeguarding duties and liaise closely with other services such as children's social care. The DSLs main area of responsibility are set out in the Keeping Children Safe in Education document.

For any urgent safeguarding concerns relating to a child, please contact the school on 02392 583657 and ask to speak to a designated safeguarding lead. Alternatively please call the police of telephone Childrens Services on 0300 555 1384 or email childrens.services@hants.gov.uk Please note, in an emergency call 999 immediately.

NSPCC

Parenting can be rewarding, but it can also be challenging. The NSPCC have got parenting tips for all stages of your child's life, as well as advice on how to deal with difficult situations. Please visit the link below for more information

Support for parents | NSPCC

