



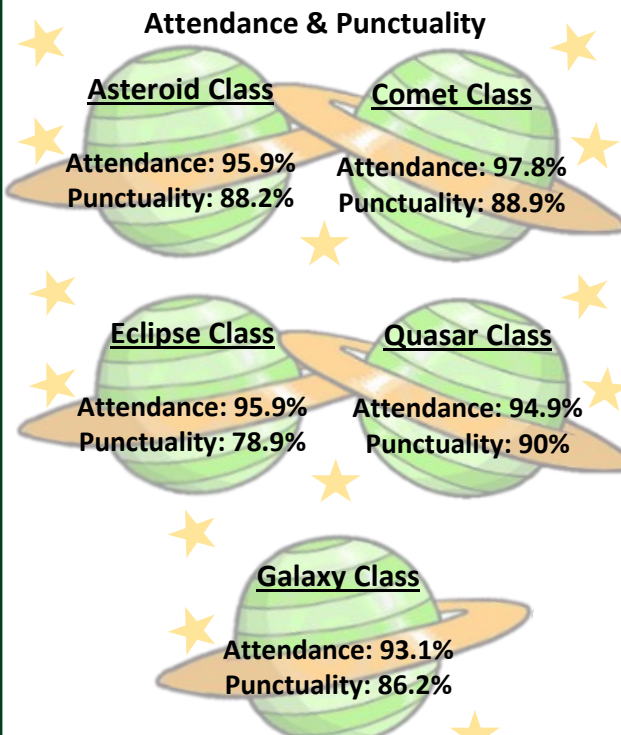
Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Halley House,

What a wonderful day we had at Halley House last Friday as we celebrated our World Book Day. Much fun was had by all! Anyone who visited the office first thing that morning couldn't fail but to be confused as Miss Jo was completely unrecognisable as Gangsta Granny! We have included photos of some of our pupils dressed as their favourite book characters on the last pages of this newsletter.

Thank you so much to you all for the support you showed – some of you making your children's costumes. We also managed to collect £60.30 at the school gate that morning. We are donating this to a charity for homeless people.

Sport Relief is back, this time for a whole week. It starts on Saturday 17th March and runs through to Friday 23rd March. For a small donation towards Sport Relief, pupils will be able to wear their own clothes on Friday 23rd.

Jennifer Malone



It is **vital** that your child is in school **every day** and **on time** so that they don't miss out on any learning.

Monday Missions

Reception

One of our maths topics this half term is doubling and halving - very tricky! Can you help us at home to double and halve numbers within 10 or maybe even beyond?!



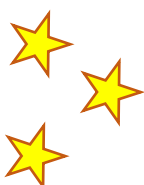
Year 1

In PSHE we have been looking at keeping healthy. Try to keep a healthy food diary at home. You could record how eating healthily makes you feel and what healthy foods are your favourite!



Year 2

Can you design your own circuit map using what you have learnt in Science. Bring it into school to see if Galaxy Class can create it.



SUPER STARS!

Reception		
Asteroid Class	Navea	Stella
Comet Class	Mattia	Le'Shai
Year 1		
Eclipse Class	Ava D	Asta
Quasar Class	Mon' Ay	Manyiel
Year 2		
Galaxy Class	Kelis	Tiamee

Wasted Food at Lunchtime

Along with most of the adults at Halley House, I eat lunch every day in the hall with the children. What I have noticed more and more is the amount of food that is wasted at lunchtime. Children will take a jacket potato and top this with either cheese or baked beans. They will eat the cheese or beans and leave the jacket potato. On Friday, I noticed that children weren't eating the fish. I asked a few of them why and I got the same response from all of them: 'I wanted the chips'.

It saddens me enormously to see the amount of food that is being thrown away every day. In addition, your children aren't always eating the healthy meal that you think they are eating during the day. I would be very grateful if you could speak with your children about their food choices at lunchtime and whether they are throwing food away.

Work Experience Pupils

You may notice two additional members of our team on the playground over the next two weeks. Miss Flora and Mr Hamza attend Stoke Newington High School and are spending two weeks' work experience with us. Miss Flora is Miss Jo's daughter and Hamza is Miss Tali's nephew.

Guard Rail

How efficient are Hackney Council? They have already been to erect the guard rail outside of the school gate!

Reminder - Parent Consultation Evening

Many of you have signed up to parent consultation meetings already but there are still lots of appointments available on Wednesday 21st March for all year groups with an extra day for Year 2 only on Thursday 22nd March. Consultations will begin at 4.00pm and will consist of 10 minute appointments with class teachers based in the school hall. Please note that due to this, after school club will not be running on Wednesday 21st March. However, there will be a crèche running in the library for Halley House Pupils only. The crèche is available for you to drop your children off whilst you have your appointment and picked-up as soon as your appointment is finished. It is not there in place of clubs.

Winners of the design your own book mark competition

Congratulations to Julia Green in Reception, Jeem Ali in Year 1 and Joshua Searle in Year 2 on winning the book mark competition.

100 Million Minutes Reading Challenge

Ashleigh, Roux's (Y2) mum, has entered Halley House into the 100 Million Minutes Reading Challenge – a national reading initiative from education charity Achievement for All. Beginning on World Book Day (Thursday 1st March 2018) till Thursday March 29th, all children and young people involved in the challenge will try to collectively read for 100 million minutes! Find out how you can help to eradicate child illiteracy and brighten futures at www.100MillionMinutes.org.

A few of us have signed up already, but the more the merrier, so PLEASE sign up and add the minutes you or others spend reading to or with your child/ren, and also any time they spend reading independently. A document will also be available at the office to record the time the children spend reading in class.

Let's work together to win £5K of equipment for our library.

FOHH

'Cosy Coffee Morning'

Friday 16th March, 9-10 am

A chance to chat and share fundraising ideas with Friends of Halley House

Please do come and join us.

Parking

Thank you to those parents who have found alternative places to park following the message in the newsletter about parking in the disabled bay opposite school. It is very much appreciated. Parents and carers with disabilities are, of course, allowed to use the parking bay during school drop off and collection.

Snacks in After School Club

Please do not send the children into school with snacks containing seeds or nuts.



Spring 2

FOHH Coffee Morning

- Friday 16th March 9-10am

Parent Consultations

- Wednesday 21st March YR, Y1 & Y2 **Thursday 22nd March Y2 only**

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB/ AFTER CARE

- **No after school club or after care on Wednesday 21st March**



