



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Halley House School,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year! Although we have had our challenges, it has been another incredibly successful year, with our curriculum going from strength to strength, new members of staff, and the prospect of two new year groups (at either end of the school!) beckoning from September. As always at this time of year, my heartfelt thanks go out to our whole community, who make being part of Halley just so special; it fills me with pride to see our young people learning, enjoying and succeeding with such gusto! Our staff team are, as ever, deserving of particular mention for their unwavering commitment, hard work and seemingly limitless enthusiasm: thank you. As a community, we remain stronger together, and I have no doubt we have many more successful adventures ahead. Wishing you all a fantastic, safe and restorative summer break,

Claire Syms

Attendance & Punctuality

Week Beginning	29 th June 2021		6 th July 2021	
	Attendance	Punctuality	Attendance	Punctuality
Comet	97.1%	97.6%	97.2%	97.7%
Eclipse	96.3%	97%	96.1%	96.8%
Galaxy	96.2%	96.6%	96.2%	99.6%
Cosmos	96.1%	96.5%	96.2%	96.6%
Hawking	97.2%	97.5%	97.2%	97.6%
Einstein	96.8%	97.4%	96.2%	97.2%
Jemison	94.5%	95.25	94.4%	99.4%

Well done to Hawking and Comet classes again for their recent attendance figures!

Monday Missions

Reception

Your mission (if you choose to accept it) is to have an amazing summer, filled with lots of fun, laughter and adventures. Try to get outside everyday if you can and remember that you can find lots of lovely books at the local library. Stay safe and we will see you all in September!

Year 1 In PSHE we have been learning about growing up. You are moving into Year 2 and moving class is part of growing up! What are you looking forward to the most? Are you nervous about anything? Talk to an adult in school or at home about how you are feeling.



Year 2

write a letter to your new Y3 teacher telling them what you are most looking forward to.

Don't forget to register with maths whizz summer challenge were you will find daily online and practical activities.

SUPER STARS!

Our Super Stars of The Week are:

	02/07/2021		09/07/2021	
Reception				
Comet	Eyad	Simon	Maryam	Zoe
Key Stage 1				
Eclipse	Kamil	Yedaiah	Abraham	Elias
Cosmos	Jahmil	Kayran	Frankie	Kiyah
Galaxy	Terrell	Abiel	Sebastian	Mia
Key Stage 2				
Hawking	Julia	Mattia	Karishma	Sammy
Einstein	Einstien class			
Jemison	Izzy	Eleanor	Rio	Helena

Well done to everyone for being such good role models by showing our school values and trying your best!

Euro 2020

We hope our families and community were able to enjoy the Euro final yesterday; we have heard many positive comments in school from children about their experiences of watching a major tournament final! We would also like to share the following message from Hackney Education, which we wholeheartedly support and endorse:

We are proud of the England team which is young, talented, united, hardworking and is inspirational, as individuals, and as a team. We celebrate their brilliant and historic achievement in reaching the European Championship final. Those of us who are England fans have supported them throughout and continue to support all of them.

The England football team has been united in combating racism, setting an example for so many other groups. We in Hackney are also united in combating racism. We condemn any racism and any type of abuse on social media or otherwise. As an education system we work to educate our pupils to be respectful and inclusive, and to protect our pupils against any abuse.

If pupils do have any concerns, including from content on social media sites, we continue to encourage them to speak to an adult at school, and at home.

End of Summer Term

Friday 16th July will be our last day of term and school will finish slightly earlier than originally planned, and at different times, so that we can continue to safely stagger the exit from the building. Please see timings as follows:

12:45pm	Reception Playground	Year 1 Eclipse Playground
1:00pm	Year 2 Playground	Year 3 Office
1:15pm	Year 4 Office	Year 5 Office

Thank you in advance for ensuring you are punctual when collecting your child/ren.

Lunch Fees

Please ensure that you have cleared all outstanding balances on Arbor before Wednesday 14th July 2021. Thank you.

Tuck shop

The last tuck shop of the year will be on Thursday 15th July from 3.15-3.45pm at the main office entrance. Please come along and support! Children will be contributing to the tuck shop and all proceeds will go towards playground activities and mental health awareness activities. We have raised £163.54 so far!



Nursery update

We are delighted to share that we have appointed a Nursery Manager for our brand new nursery class! **Ms Antionette Mattison** is a highly experienced Early Years practitioner, with extensive experience in a large private nursery setting as well as recent experience working in Reception classes in a large primary school. Antionette impressed us with her knowledge and skills and above all, her passion for nursery education; we cannot wait to formally welcome her to the team as she helps to shape our new provision! Registration forms are also now available for September starters so secure your spot now!

Music tuition & Music specialist

We are delighted that music tuition will be back on the timetable from September! We are in the process of confirming who our new tutor from Hackney Music Service will be, and look forward to introducing them to our children and families in September. Guitar, keyboard and kit drumming will all be available for booking from the start of term. We have also appointed **Ms Abigail Heath** to lead the delivery of our music curriculum across a range of year groups, and are excited to welcome her aboard!

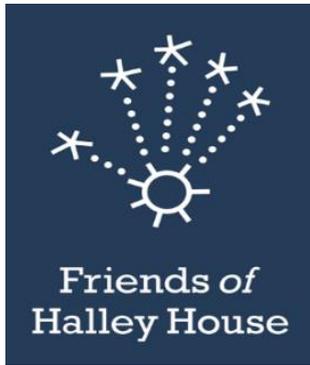
Sports Days

Despite the July drizzle, both Sports Days were a huge success and children had a fantastic time competing in their teams over a range of events. We are very much hoping to be able to invite all our enthusiastic spectators back for next year's whole school event! Coach is busy amalgamating some of the photos and video clips and will share these shortly.



Extended Schools

Please ensure that all outstanding payments are made on SchoolsBuddy no later than **Thursday 15th July**. Failure to do so will result in you not being able to book any provision. All Extended School services must be pre-booked so that we can fulfil all our health and safety requirements, have the correct ratios and ensure adequate provisions. Please note that last entry for Breakfast Club is 8:30am. When all children return in Autumn term we will be offering free flow sessions from Thursday 2nd until Friday 10th September. After School Clubs will begin w/c 13th September, with booking enabled on 1st September 2021. After Care (5-6pm, Monday-Thursday) will resume in September, based on demand. If you have any questions, please do come and see Natasha in the office or [email](#).



FOHH Update

HHS Lottery

This lottery is a fantastic way to support the school over the holidays and beyond, we are seeing money coming into our account from this weekly and it's brilliant.

Buy your tickets here:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/halley-house-school>

What you need to know:

- The lottery tickets are £1 per week
- It is all done online by direct debit so no need to remember cash
- For every ticket you buy, 76% goes to Halley House and towards the cash prize drawn weekly
- £20 guaranteed prize but this will go up as tickets are sold, our aim is for 67 tickets to be sold per week
- You can buy more than one ticket, send link to any family and friends who would like to take part too
- Draws are done automatically every week, they will always be on Saturdays at 8pm
- All winners will receive an email with instructions to claim their prize
- The jackpot prize of £25,000 is in addition, all tickets entered into the Halley House lottery are automatically entered into this draw too

Summer BBQ : Saturday 18th September, 2-5pm

Lots of brilliant plans are already in place for this event, we've just hit pause on it.

Tickets are £5 and include 4 tokens to spend at the event. Children are free.

It really will be a fantastic chance for parents and carers to eat, drink and socialise (think beer garden rather than fete) - with attractions for the kids including a crafts table, face painting, tattoos, a chance to soak the teachers and more. Lots of delicious food, a bar and a cocktail stand!

Any donations to help towards the cost of putting this on would be so appreciated too...

You can buy tickets now in advance of September. Transfer your £5 (or more) with your name in the reference to secure your name on the guest list to:

FOHH

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Or give your ticket money to Natasha or Kat in the office and they will pass it on with your name to secure your place.

If you are keen to help on the day and are not already on the rota, please let Keely (07866515568) know.

Next FOHH Meeting Please join us on Friday 10th September at 9am to discuss the BBQ and next steps for FOHH.



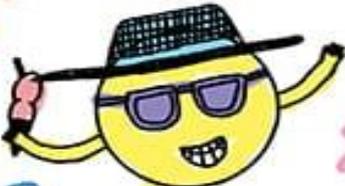
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Halley House Summer BBQ



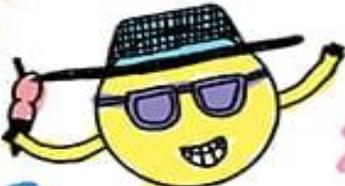
Celebration and Fundraiser



Saturday 18th September



2-5pm



Tickets £5 (4 tokens included)
from FOHH (Keely: 07866 515568)



Delicious food and drink to enjoy,
kids crafts, face painting, tattoos
and soak the teacher!



DIARY DATES	
Summer 2 2021	
Tuesday 13th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Parent consultations
Wednesday 14th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Parent consultations • TRIP/VISIT: Behaviour celebration rewards
Thursday 15th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 Swimming session (11.30am) • Virtual Parent consultations
Friday 16th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day of Summer term (and year) for children! School finishes at 2pm. • Non uniform day (£2 contribution) • No Breakfast Club
Monday 19th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSET Day. School closed to pupils.
Autumn 1 2021	
Wednesday 1st September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSET Day. School closed to pupils
Thursday 2nd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First day of Autumn term and school year! • Home visit for reception • Breakfast Club starts for Y1-Y6 • Freeflow sessions Y1-Y6
Monday 6th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All reception start 8.40
Monday 13th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Extended Schools provision commences, including After School Clubs • Reception children in all day



Comet Class



What a fantastic year the children in Comet Class have had! Although it has been tricky at times, everyone has worked incredibly hard and made all of us very proud. Well done!





At the beginning of the year, we spoke about changing our mindset to a positive mindset. Throughout the year, we ensured that we reminded ourselves to keep going and not to give up! Our class motto is 'we can do it!'



Outdoor Adventures was filled with a range of activities. We linked it with Maths by showing equations using natural resources and Geography by drawing a map of the local area.



Year 1

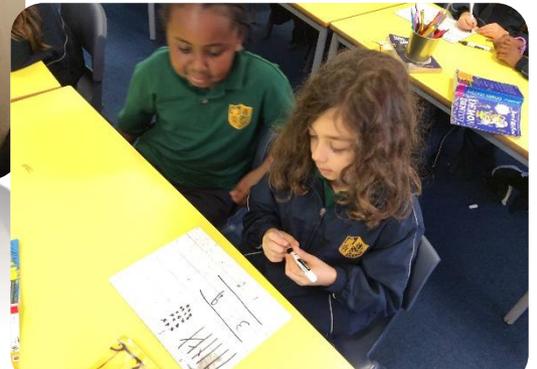
Throughout the year, we have carried out lots of difference science experiments. Some include an experiment to test our sense, answer investigative enquiry questions or testing materials.



Spanish has been really exciting in Year 1. We learnt our numbers to 20 through lots of games and practical activities.

What a fantastic year it's been!
Learning, playing, questioning and
exploring...Year 2 you are amazing!

Year 2



Year 2

Our vocabularies in Spanish and English have developed so much throughout this year! One of our favourite words we have learned in literacy is 'industrious'.



Year 2 have been getting hands on and exploring maths in the world around them! We have become very inquisitive mathematicians!



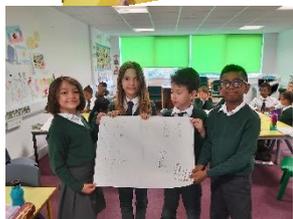
We are Young Adventurers and love exploring the natural world! We especially enjoyed exploring the secret world of bees during our bee workshop!

Year 3

This half term we have enjoyed learning about fire safety during our Outdoor Adventure sessions! We know how to behave around a fire, the positives and negatives about having a fire workshop as well as what equipment we need!



We have worked hard this half term to work in teams in all of our subjects. We have worked together to produce a life-sized model of a skeleton, to make a model of a muscle, to create arguments for and against Roger going to prison in our book 'I Was A Rat', to weigh different objects and to create artwork all about Argentina!



I have enjoyed learning about how our bodies change in PSHCE

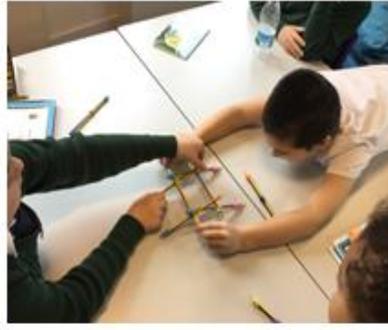
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Year 4 Einstein



It has been wonderful to teach Year 4 over the past year. Despite the unusual circumstances of the past year, the children have managed to achieve some amazing things. They are such a hearty, resilient and gregarious bunch.



Our regular excursions to Hackney Downs have been a consistent highlight. Where in the summer term Y4 have led very competitive games of rounders! Hispanic Week provided an opportunity to learn about Ecuador, and Science Day gave us a chance to build a 'Da Vinci Bridge'. In literacy we loved acting, role-playing and interviewing the different characters. The children enjoyed getting into the minds of the characters.



