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Fund Raisers, Drummers, Badminton Champions and a Pantomime!



Year 3 - Social Action Project 'Home Sweet Home' - 15th June 23: As part of the Lionheart Character Award the Year 3 pupils at Hallam Fields took part in organising a charity fund raising event for the group's chosen charity. This was voted for by the class as their social action project. Thank you for all your many donations. We are super proud of Fox Class for demonstrating the 6R's- Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness, Resilience, Reflection and Reciprocity- throughout this event! **A fantastic £66 was raised for Action Homeless** – a Leicester based charity that supports the homeless.

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Drumming Performance: On Monday we were entertained by our school musicians in a special drumming assembly. The children were supported by their drumming teacher to perform different pieces to an audience of parents, staff and children. What a fantastic performance!

Badminton Team Winners: A huge congratulations to our Year 5 badminton team who came second in the Leicestershire Schools County Finals as well as scooping the doubles runners-up shields at Babington Academy. Everyone demonstrated great sportsmanship!

School Pantomime: The children were in for a treat last Friday when they watched a pantomime- The Railway Children. It was an opportunity for them to watch a live performance and engage with the actors to bring the story to life. We would like to **thank the PTA for raising the funds** that were used to **pay for this special treat**.

Lionheart Speaks: On Monday the 26th of June, 6 of our **year 5 pupils performed to a large audience on stage at the Y Theatre** in Leicester. Krish and Fatemah read out 2 powerful speeches about the global issues of **'Women's Rights to Education' and 'Global Warming.'** Isaac, Tej, Simran and Aman read out a poem about celebrating our differences and promoting inclusivity; one of our core Lionheart Values 'It would not be very good' by Benjamin Zephaniah. The children showcased their talents as they bravely stood up on stage and took the mic. They were absolutely brilliant!

Hallam Fest: We have sent you a parentmail with details about Hallam Fest. This is a festival that is run by the school staff during the school day, in the last week of term, and is just for the pupils. Your child will have been given a brown party bag to bring home. This is for them to decorate and add a few treats such as toys and sweets. Please return the bag back to school by **Friday 7th of July**. At the end of Hallam Fest, each child will be given a party bag to take home with them. **Examples of items to add are sweets, toys, small books, etc. Please ensure there are no chocolates, fizzy drinks, food containing nuts or out of date foods in your donations.** Thank you kindly

Attendance: Congratulations to **Year 3** who had the overall best attendance last week of 96%!

School Calendar: Just another reminder to parents that we have added a school calendar to our school website and will endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible about school events. Events coming up include our open morning session for parents and our used uniform sale. Please see the link <https://www.hallamfields.org.uk/news-events/events/>

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Sports Day rescheduled for EYFS and Year 1: Tuesday 4th July. Weather dependent! We look forward to seeing you next week for Sports Day. The event will start at 2:00 and will take place on the field. Your child will need to wear a PE kit on their Sports Afternoon day as well as having a water bottle. If the weather is warm, they will also need sun-cream and a sun hat. The children will take part in a range of races and activities, including team and individual events. Please remember your own trainers for the afternoon as there will be parents' races as well! I am really looking forward to seeing you all there. Many Thanks, Mrs Colman-PE Lead

The Governors of the school completed several learning walks during 2023.

Sarah Parton, the Chair, visited Hallam Fields in March to hear about the Special Educational Needs and Disability provision at the School. Mrs Newton the SENCO reported on the progress made, all the reported data was examined in detail, and they walked together into each classroom to observe SEND support for each age group. The in-person visit was followed up with an online meeting, to discuss the extra details needed to complete the Trust paperwork. It was good to see that so many children with SEND requirements were achieving higher than expected outcomes.

Praveena Saujani, the Safeguarding link governor made two visits to the school, one to meet with Mrs Sultana, and the other to participate in the Safeguarding Review.

The Safeguarding Review took place with staff from Hallam Fields and the wider trust. It was a chance to ensure that the school and community are doing everything possible to keep our children safe.

This was revisited again shortly after during the second safeguarding walk of the academic year. Mrs Sultana and Praveena were able to discuss the positive outcomes of the review and action the recommendations that had been made.

There was a chance to complete a walk around school and to see how the children had settled back into their environment following the Easter break.

A conversation took place around worry boxes and ensuring that children knew how and where to access these, and that school staff were revisiting these on a regular basis.

Jessica Chambers is a new parent governor and completed a learning walk with Miss Jarvis looking at subject curriculum plans. It was fantastic to hear the work which had been completed on the sequencing of the curriculum, the rationale for this and the strategies that were being embedded to

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ensure knowledge was remembered by pupils, as well as how this was being built on in subsequent years. They visited all classrooms and looked through some pupil books.

Minesh Gupta visited the school in his capacity as Pupil Premium link Governor. Del Sanghera is the finance governor and attended the Trust finance meeting and the parent survey meeting. Both Del and Minesh provide a strong representation of the parent voice to the governor meetings. We have two members of staff on the Governors meeting – Miss Abbie Goode and Miss Roxanne Rowlands, and it is so very helpful to have their staff perspective on all matters at the meeting.

The governors are always grateful to the staff who support the children in school so well. It is a Governor role to challenge any process or decision made by the School, and so these learning walks are essential to maintain useful and up-to-date information about how the school runs.

Best wishes

Mrs. Sultana

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