



Friday 29th September 2023

# Halwin Headlines

It's been another busy week at Halwin and strong winds and heavy rain outside have not stopped the hard work in classrooms! Lots of team points have been earned for amazing learning and excellent behaviour. Fledglings have shown amazing courage and bravery this week while observing and touching their stick insects. I have enjoyed looking at the photos Robins have brought in from home to add to their timeline. They have enjoyed discussing these in class. Owls have started creative writing based on 'The Owl That Was Afraid Of the Dark' including some fun fireworks inspired vocabulary. Kingfishers have been studying the jobs that children did in the Victorian period - there has been some grim discoveries! They have also been busy creating dance sequences with a 'modern technology' motif.

Owls and Kingfishers have enjoyed starting a new maths online programme called Maths Whizz this week. This is a platform which adapts to your child's ability and supports their learning at the correct level. They will soon all have their log in details for whizz.com and we challenge them to complete 3 blue gems each week. Anyone also completing 3 red gems each week will make into the hall of fame!

Children in Owls and Kingfishers who have completed our RWI phonics programme have now all been matched to a reading book using the new Accelerated Reader programme. Children should read their book at home with you and then complete an online comprehension quiz at school. We will monitor their progress through the accelerated reader programme so you will notice that they no longer require a reading record. We would appreciate your support, reading at home with your child(ren) and reminding them to complete a quiz at school when finished. There will be an Accelerated Reader information session on Tuesday 10th October.

Finally, please read the notices and the updated diary dates. Don't forget next Friday is an INSET day. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend!

## Get in touch

You can contact us via phone or email.

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[halwinsecretary@croftymat.org](mailto:halwinsecretary@croftymat.org)

Wrap-Around Care  
Booking Link attached.

## Attendance

We aim for all our children to have at least 96% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for last week was 97%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Robins: 100%

Owls: 96%

Kingfishers: 97%

Congratulations

Robins!



Next week's lunch menu **week 1**



# Halwin Heroes



This year we will be celebrating our Star of the Week and CARE champions every week!

## Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment

	Star of the Week
Robins	Florence
Owls	Sophie
Kingfishers	Connor

Confidence	Bryn
Aspiration	Marley
Resilience	Zephyr
Enjoyment	Ella

### Team Points

Blue— 397

Red— 511

Green— 787

Yellow— 509

### Reading Champions 2023/24

Year 3 - Lerryn

Year 4 - Eli

Year 5 - Mia

Year 6 - Dennis

# Notices and Events

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## Parking

Mornings and afternoons can be congested in the car park. Please take care to ensure children are supervised around moving cars and you are extra vigilant when driving near and on the school site.

## Uniform

School uniform plays a key role in promoting pride, self-confidence and a feeling of belonging within the school community. Polite reminder that children should wear sensible black school shoes, jewellery should not be worn (except watches and plain stud earrings), no nail varnish and long hair should be tied up with hair bands/scrunchies in school colours.

## Data Breach

As you are aware, there was unfortunately an administrative error made this week. Please accept our apologies again and we ask that you make contact if you have any evidence that this data had been misused. The breach was reported to the DPO who has reviewed the breach and made recommendations which we are working to implement.

## Census day - Change of lunch menu

On Thursday 5th October there will be a change in the lunch menu for Census Day. The options will be either beef burgers or veggie hot dogs with chips. Please note that as an alternative jacket potatoes will be on the menu as usual, but not tomato pasta or school packed lunches for one day only. We hope as many children as possible will enjoy a school lunch on this day. Thank you.

## Data collection

A reminder to please hand in your child's data collection sheet next week if you have not already, we are still awaiting 20 responses.

## School photo day

Please note that school photo day will be taking place on Tuesday 3rd October. Sorry for the late notice.

# Diary dates

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Tuesday 3rd October

School photo day

Thursday 5th October

School Census Day

Friday 6th October

INSET DAY

Friday 6th October

Will Keating @ Wendron Cricket Club from 6pm

Tuesday 10th October

Accelerated Reader parent workshop for Owls and Kingfishers parents

Wednesday 11th October

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Friday 13th October

Poetry recital (during Assembly)

Friday 17th October

Reading café 3:15-4pm