



20th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4 which is going to be another busy one so please do check the dates and events carefully!

This week, the Term 4 year group newsletters will be made available on our website [here](#).

Staffing Update: Today, we welcome Mrs Gemma Kavanagh to Team Halling. Mrs Kavanagh will be working as a Teaching Assistant across EYFS. I know you will all join me in welcoming her to Halling Primary School.

Do you know anyone who may be interested in Medway Council's Road Crossing Patrol vacancy? If so, please click [here](#). The vacancy closes very soon on 5th March so please help us to spread the word as a Road Crossing Patrol is something we desperately need on Howlsmere Close at drop-off and pick-up times.

As always, if you have any questions please do catch me, Miss Eakins or Miss Martin at the gate.

Best wishes,
Ms Lisa Taylor
Headteacher



Halling Primary School Diary Dates: Term 4

Day:	Event:	Additional Information:
Monday 20th February	First Day of Term 4	
Friday 24th February	PTA Quiz Night	• PTA@halling.medway.sch.uk to book!
Friday 3rd March	World Book Day (Dress Up)	• Lead: Mrs Nicholls
Tuesday 7th March	Parent & Carer Consultation Meetings	• 3:30pm until 6:00pm
Thursday 9th March	Class Assembly - FLAMINGOS	• 9:05am in Hall
Thursday 9th March	Parent & Carer Consultation Meetings	• 3:30pm until 7:30pm
Monday 13th March	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea	• 2:30pm - 3:20pm
Tuesday 14th March	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea	• 2:30pm - 3:20pm
Tuesday 14th March	Aletheia Academies Trust Tag Rugby: Y5 & Y6	• Lead: Mr Harrison
Wednesday 15th March	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea	• 2:30pm - 3:20pm
Friday 17th March	Red Nose Day (Dress Up)	• Details to follow from Communications Team
Friday 17th March	PTA Mother's Day Shop	• Letter to follow from the PTA
Monday 20th March	Staff Development Day	• Children DO NOT attend!
Thursday 23rd March	Class Assembly - GHARIALS	• 9:05am in Hall
Tuesday 28th March	Aletheia Academies Trust Music Concert	• Lead: Mrs Stone
Thursday 30th March:	Class Assembly - PELICANS	• 9:05am in Hall
Thursday 30th March	Mini Youth Games: Tag Rugby Festival: Y5 & Y6	• Lead: Mr Harrison
Friday 31st March	PTA: Egg Hunt	• Afternoon in-school event
Friday 31st March	Last Day of Term 4	
Monday 17th April	Staff Development Day	• Children DO NOT attend!
Tuesday 18th April	First Day of Term 5	
Sunday 30th April	PTA Car Boot Sale @ Halling Primary School	• Letter to follow from the PTA

Term 4: Parent and Carer Survey



Please **click the image above** to take part in our
Term 4 Parent and Carer Survey.

Your views really do matter to us at Halling so why not
make a cuppa and take part in this very short survey?

If you decide to leave any comments at the end of the survey,
it's always helpful if you can mention your name so that we
can follow these up, where necessary.

The survey will close on Friday 3rd March 2023.

Thank you!



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In case you missed it..!

10th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

MOTHER'S DAY CREAM TEA

This year, we are delighted to invite all mums (or grandmas/aunties!) to join the children for a cream tea in school.

We will be offering a cream tea at a cost of £5.00 per adult on **Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th March** from 2:30pm until 3:15pm.

Due to the size of the hall, **places will be limited to one adult per family on ONE of the above dates.**

Bookings are on a first come first served basis and will open on **Friday 10th February** from 7:30pm. Bookings will close at **10:00am on Thursday 9th March**. Please note that **we will not be able to accept any bookings after this date**, as we will need to order the food! **Please book your place via Shop on Arbor.**

We will be offering a traditional cream tea (scones, butter, cream and strawberry jam) but, unfortunately, we will be unable to cater for alternative dietary requirements unless these are for medical reasons. In this instance, please contact the school office: office@halling.medway.sch.uk
For the children, we will be offering drinks and snacks.

We are really looking forward to hosting this event and will be doing our very best to make it a special occasion.

The children, staff and I look forward to seeing you then!

Best wishes,

Lisa Taylor
Headteacher



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October 2022

You said...

"We would like to see more regular updates as to how our children are attaining and progressing in between the Parent/Carer Evenings and the end of year report."

We did...

"An attainment and effort reporting grid has been set up for every child. This will be updated and shared with parents and carers at the end of Terms 2 and 4."



February 2023

You said...

"We would like the Days for Open Class and Class Assemblies to rotate so that they are not always on a Thursday."

We did...

"From the start of Term 5, we will schedule Class Assemblies on different days of the week, wherever possible."



January 2023

You said...

"We would like class assemblies to be straight after drop-off instead of at 14:30."

We did...

"We changed the time of class assemblies to 09:05."

Our 'You Said...We Did' Bubbles are some recent examples of how we are continuing to work together with you as parents and carers at Halling Primary School to make positive changes for everyone.

'Your Voice Matters' to us and we can only make these changes if we know about them so thank you for your comments, suggestions and possible solutions when you feel we haven't quite got things right!

If you should have any worries or concerns, your child's class teacher should be your first port of call. Should you then wish to speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team please email the office to make an appointment with either Miss Martin (Assistant Headteacher for KS2), Miss Eakins (Assistant Headteacher for FS/KS1 & SENDCo) or Ms Taylor (Headteacher). You can, of course catch us on the gate too!

Our Complaints Policy can be found [here](#).



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10th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day – Friday 3rd March

On Friday 3rd March, Halling will be celebrating World Book Day.

On this day, our pupils will be participating in a variety of reading activities and the children are invited to come to school dressed as a book character.

This year we also invite pupils to enter our World Book Day character competition. Pupils can create their own spoon or potato characters to bring into school with them on Friday 3rd March. Prizes will be awarded to the best designs in each year group.



Each child will also be presented with a £1 World Book Day token; these can be redeemed at most well-known book shops.



Best wishes,

Mrs Lucy Nicholls and the Reading Ambassadors
Reading Lead

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Safeguarding Team

The Safeguarding Team at Halling Primary School have a duty to monitor children who have been identified as having welfare or protection concerns and will notify Children's Services as soon as possible when there is a significant concern or risk to a child.

If you have any concerns about your child or any other pupil in the school, please speak to:



Ms Shona Eakins
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Assistant Headteacher & SENDCo



Ms Lisa Taylor
DDSL
Headteacher



Miss Courtney Martin
DDSL
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Debbie Tyler
DDSL
Pastoral Lead



Mrs Tina Woolmer
DDSL
EYFS Teacher

Disclosures from pupils are referred to the designated adult responsible for Safeguarding. All cause for concerns must be made via Halling's online reporting system: CPOMs. If you believe that a child is at risk of immediate significant harm, please contact the DSL or DDSLs directly. An acknowledgement will be made.

Please note: all referrals must initially go through Ms Shona Eakins or Mrs Debbie Tyler, in Ms Eakins' absence. The Senior Leadership Team and Inclusion Team will have responsibilities regarding children under Social Services or with Child Protection issues.

We have an email account that has been set up specifically for safeguarding emails:

safeguarding@halling.medway.sch.uk

This email account is monitored daily by the DSL, Ms Shona Eakins and the DDSLs, Mrs Debbie Tyler and Ms Lisa Taylor.



KS2 Fruit Trolley!

Last year, a pupil voice 'Action Team' set up a healthy eating fruit and vegetable tuck shop for the children in Key Stage 2 - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

If your child is in one of these year groups and would like to buy a piece of fruit at morning break time, **all items cost 30p.**

This has been running since the beginning of this term and it will continue as long as there is demand!



HALL FOR HIRE!

Did you know that our hall is available for hire for children's parties, quiz nights, charity events and more?

If you are interested, please get in touch for information on our competitive prices by emailing Jodie Simpson, Senior Finance Officer: finance@halling.medway.sch.uk

Would you like us to organise a **whole school pantomime** trip again next year?

Whole School Pantomime Trip



If you'd like to have your say then click [here](#) or scan the QR above!



Would you like to see **professional Sports Day photographs** again this year?

Sports Day Photographer Option for Parents and Carers



If you'd like to have your say then click [here](#) or scan the QR above!



HALLING PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

**QUIZ
NIGHT**

ADULTS ONLY

FRIDAY 24th Feb 23

DOORS OPEN @ 7.00PM

QUIZ STARTS @ 7.30PM

£10 a ticket - This includes fish and chips, sausage and chips or chips. You are welcome to bring any additional food and drink, including alcohol. Tables seat up to 8 people. If you want to reserve a table, contact the PTA at: PTA@halling.medway.sch.uk Due to a limited number of tables, they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.



WHEN RESERVING YOUR TABLE PLEASE HAVE THE FULL AMOUNT AND NOT PART PAYMENTS.

Remember your change for the raffle and Doug's 'Heads and Tails' game!

coming soon

CAR BOOT SALE

Potential Date - 30th April 23!

Halling Primary School.
More information and confirmed date to follow!

MOTHER'S Day shop

17th March 23

£3.00 per gift

A treat for your children's special person

Letter to follow



TERM DATES: 2022- 2023

Term 1	Thursday 1 st September – Thursday 20 th October 2022
Break	Friday 21st October – Tuesday 1st November 2022
Term 2	Wednesday 2 nd November – Friday 16 th December 2022
Break	Monday 19th December – Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Term 3	Wednesday 4 th January – Friday 10 th February 2023
Break	Monday 13th – Friday 17th February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 th February – Friday 31 st March 2023
Break	Monday 3rd – Monday 17th April 2023 Good Friday – 7th April 2023, Easter Monday – 10th April 2023
Term 5	Tuesday 18 th April – Friday 26 th May 2023 Bank Holiday – Monday 1st May 2023
Break	Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 th June – Friday 21 st July 2023

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS & TRUST DAYS (CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND)

Friday 30th September 2022
 Tuesday 1st November 2022
 Tuesday 3rd January 2023
 Monday 20th March 2023
 Monday 17th April 2023
 Monday 3rd July 2023



TERM DATES: 2023 - 2024

Term 1	Friday 1 st September – Thursday 19 th October 2023
Break	Friday 20th October – Tuesday 31st October 2023
Term 2	Wednesday 1 st November – Wednesday 20 th December 2023
Break	Thursday 21st December 2023 – Friday 5th January 2024
Term 3	Monday 8 th January – Friday 9 th February 2024
Break	Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 th February – Thursday 28 th March 2024
Break	Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024 Good Friday – 29th March 2024, Easter Monday – 1st April 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 th April – Friday 24 th May 2024 Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May 2024
Break	Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 rd June – Friday 19 th July 2024

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS & TRUST DAYS (CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND)

Wednesday 30th August 2023
 Thursday 31st August 2023
 Friday 29th September 2023
 Tuesday 31st October 2023
 Friday 5th January 2024
 Tuesday 12th March 2024
 Monday 1st July 2024

Halling Primary School need your help!

We have been very lucky to be accepted for the Tesco bags for help grant and we need your help to be successful in winning please. If you shop at Tesco or know anyone that does, then please ask them to collect the blue tokens for Halling Primary School so that we can enhance our outside areas in the EYFS. The more tokens that are entered into the box, the more chances we have of winning up to to £1500!

You will find token boxes in both the Lunsford Park Extra and the Larkfield Express stores



TESCO
Community Grants



Thank you for your support!

We have until 31st March to keep posting the blue tokens!





Number Day 2023

Thank you!
Together, we raised
£204.20
on Number Day!



Why not follow us on Twitter for regular updates?

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