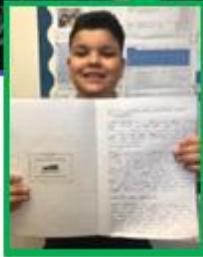


Handford Hall is a place where everyone loves to be!



Dear Parents/Carers,

What an exhilarating start to the academic year we've had at Handford Hall! I'm bursting with pride as I reflect on our remarkable school community, which continually pushes boundaries to provide the very best for our children. Our unwavering commitment ensures that learning at Handford Hall is not just a process, but an adventure - exciting, memorable, and deeply meaningful.

Our Amazing Curriculum

At the heart of our success lies our ambitious and bespoke curriculum. It's a living, breathing entity, constantly evolving under the expert guidance of our fantastic subject leads. We're not just imparting knowledge and skills; we're nurturing understanding and building the confidence to succeed. Our aim? To ignite a lifelong passion for learning in our pupils, broaden their horizons about diverse cultures and societies, and instil a deep respect for individual rights and responsibilities.

Our school community is a vibrant tapestry of backgrounds and experiences, and our curriculum reflects this rich diversity. Our dedicated staff members skilfully adapt their teaching methods and learning opportunities across all subjects, ensuring that every pupil can make outstanding progress in their unique learning journey.

Enrichment Opportunities

But learning at Handford Hall extends far beyond the classroom walls. We're proud to offer a wealth of enrichment opportunities that spark imagination and nurture talents. From the grace of ballroom dancing to the precision of fencing, from the strength and flexibility of gymnastics to the magic of theatre productions - we're opening doors to new experiences. Our science and history workshops are planting seeds for future scientists, teachers, doctors, and engineers. We're not just teaching; we're inspiring the next generation of innovators and leaders.

Inclusion is at the core of our ethos. We firmly believe that every child has the right to succeed, and we take personal responsibility for dismantling any barriers to learning. Our goal is to ensure that all children experience success in contexts that are highly relevant to them.

Handford Hall Community

None of this would be possible without you - our wonderful parents and community. You are our key partners in this educational journey. Together, we're fostering a strong sense of community, promoting educational achievement, boosting our children's self-esteem, and cultivating a deep sense of pride in our school and community. Your engagement has been nothing short of phenomenal - from the 100% attendance at our Parent Consultation Day to your enthusiastic participation in school events, workshops, and the myriad enrichment opportunities that have become our hallmark.

As we continue this academic year, let's celebrate our achievements, embrace our challenges, and look forward to the exciting journey ahead. Together, we're not just shaping the future of our children; we're shaping the future of our community and beyond.

And we really believe that Handford Hall is a place where everyone loves to be!



We would like to wish you a very happy and joyful Christmas. Hope you get a much-deserved break this holiday season!

We look forward to seeing you all back on **Monday 6th January 2025**.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Blake

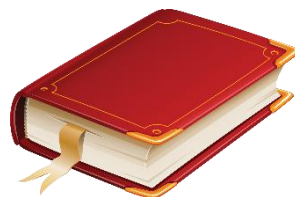
Headteacher

Our Stars this term:

CLASS	HEADTEACHER'S AWARD
RC	Sofia has had a fantastic first term at school. She has learnt so much across every area of learning and has made lots of friends. Well done, Sofia - we are proud to have you in RC.
RB	Anays has made incredible progress this half term. Set 1A to Ditty, WOW! She is a Fred time superstar, always looking, listening and joining in during our carpet time and group activities. Keep up the hard work Anays.
1M	This term Rebecca has been working very hard in every area of the curriculum. She has had to be very resilient this term and each day, Rebecca comes to school focused and determined to do her best. In addition, her oracy skills and level of articulacy is amazing! Rebecca is a fantastic role model and a kind friend to all the children in Year 1 and we are so proud of her in 1M. Well done, Rebecca, you deserve it!
1L	Andreea's behaviour for learning is outstanding. She always strives to do her best and tries her hardest in all lessons. As a result, her progress has been exceptional, particularly in reading! Andreea has also improved her resilience this year and comes into school with a big smile on her face ready to learn! Well done Andreea - I can't wait to see what else you achieve this year!
2B	Jessica listens carefully and is quick to follow instructions. She is focussed in lessons and always ready to share her ideas. Jessica tries her best to work independently. Jessica is kind and friendly and can always be found following school rules. An excellent behaviour for learning role model. Well done!
2SM	Sofia has always set an example for the whole class with her inspirational mannerism and work ethic. She always completes her work to the best of her ability which is evident in the great pieces of work that she creates. She is an inspiration and a credit to our class as well as the school. We are so proud of you Sofia!
3B	Regina is an absolute super star. She is focused, resilient, kind and hard working. Regina has made fantastic progress in all areas so far this year. It is an absolute pleasure having Regina in my class and I cannot wait to see how she gets on for the rest of this academic year. Well done, Regina.
3A	Danielle has shown great progress in her learning this term. She shows great focus in everything she does and has worked hard on improving her resilience in completing her work independently. Well done, Danielle - keep up the good work.
4W	Casey has shown fantastic resilience this term. He has worked hard to improve his handwriting and presentation and takes great care and pride in his work. Casey is a thoughtful member of the class and is now becoming confident in sharing his ideas with the class. He has worked hard on improving his focus and attention in class and is making fantastic progress. Keep it up!

4S	Andreea, who has shown fantastic focus in all of her work over the term, showing resilience and motivation to improve in every subject, even when she finds a task tricky. Not only that, Andreea will help out in class and support others. Her attitude is exemplary.
5B	Audrey has made fantastic progress this term and should be proud of all her efforts, particularly in her reading and writing. Every day, Audrey works incredibly hard and shows fantastic behaviour for learning. She shows kindness towards others in the classroom and is an absolute pleasure to teach! Congratulations Audrey - you are a superstar!
5G	Theodore - congratulations for an outstanding Autumn Term. You have consistently demonstrated a fantastic level of engagement in class, always showcasing your curiosity and eagerness to learn. You actively take part in class discussions and willing to assist your peers when working in a group. You should be so proud of everything you have achieved this term, and I can't wait to see you continue to challenge yourself throughout the rest of the year.
6H	Sofia: Determination, resilience, drive and persistence. These four words can be used to summarise Sofia's Autumn term. Quietly, and consistently, Sofia has engaged with her work across the curriculum to the best of her ability. She has demonstrated self-motivation and increased self-confidence in her work – no matter the challenge. Sofia, your progress has been the result of your own hard work. Bravo to you!
6P	Throughout the term, Sam has approached each lesson with a positive attitude and a voracious appetite for learning throughout the curriculum. This is evident in the quality of the work that he consistently produces and that he is keen to share with his peers. This week, it has been incredible to see Sam step out of his comfort zone and successfully challenge himself during our class presentations on World War 2. Well done, Sam, keep it up!

Autumn Term Accelerated Reader – Word Count Stars:



2B – Luna (19, 753)	4W – Matilde (185, 965)
2SM - Salma (12, 344)	5B – Christian (352, 509)
3A – Emilia (50, 966)	5G – Monica (207, 849)
3B – Ahmed (107, 810)	6H – Rehan (727, 995)
4S - Jasmine (297, 994)	6P – Samuel (455, 625)

Well done!



