SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Please refer to our Annual Planner 2025/26 for key dates throughout the session. We will add monthly reminders here.

- 06.10.25 School Photos. See info below.
- 08.10.25 Parent Council AGM
- 09.10.25 P6/7 Netball Event
- 10.09.25 School closes at 3pm for October break
- 20.10.25 School reopens.
- 21.10.25 You+Me Project starts. Info below.
- 22.10.25 P5-7 Football Event
- 23.10.25 PC Halloween Disco
- 24.10.25 Halfmerke Havers. All Welcome!
- 30.10.25 Flu Immunisation for all pupils.

We will communicate any new dates via Parents Portal.



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#### PARENT COUNCIL

Our Parent Council invite you to their AGM which will be held at school on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> September @ 7pm. Your chance to get involved in the life of our school. Thank you to our PC for their kind donation of ice lollies and fruit for our Dash, Dance & Dawdle.

Their next fundraiser event is the Halloween Disco on Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Please follow their FB and Instagram pages for further information on this.

# 2) SCHOOL PRIORITIES

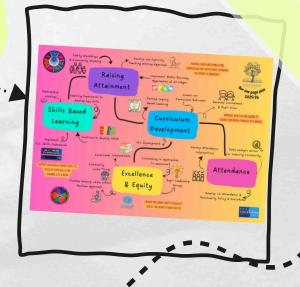
Thanks to everyone who has taken the time to complete our Questionnaire. It is important to get your feedback on how we can improve our school. If you have not had time to do this yet you can click on the link below, it should only take a few minutes to complete.

https://forms.office.com/e/hTHWEyhVeE

We are always looking for volunteers to help lead our school priorities, if you feel you can help out with anything listed on our plan for 2025/26 please contact the school office.



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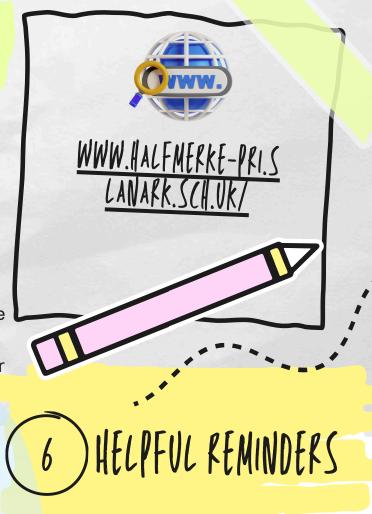
### 3 SCHOOL PHOTOS

All pupils will have the opportunity to have their photo taken by John Wilson Photography on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October. This is a busy day as both schools have photos on this day. Pupils will have individual and sibling photos taken and pupils will be given information as to how you purchase these. If you have any questions please contact our school office.



## COMMUNICATION

Feedback from our questionnaire has indicated a need for further communication from classes on what your children are learning in class. SLC schools are now advised not to use X as a means for communicating, which is why we no longer use this. We are looking to pilot using our School Website to update you with photos and information on your child's class. We are beginning to upload content and you can use the link on this newsletter to browse our website. We will gather feedback on this nearer the end of this term.



- Please continue to check our lost property for anything your child may have lost
- Pupils should be reminded to leave precious items/ toys at home we cannot quarantee these will not be lost or damaged.
- Pupils should come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. They will play outside in light rain so a waterproof jacket is necessary.
- Remember to contact our school office or catch Ms Hogg or Miss Byrne should you have a query about your child,

#### a Message from Ms Hogg

We have had a successful start back to the new session and I thank everyone for supporting the work we are doing in terms of helping pupils get settled back into school life!

Thank you to all our families for their contributions for our Dash, Dance & Dawdle Fundraiser, we have yet to count our final total. Our pupils had a great day on Friday and I am sure we have

raised a good amount for our school fund.

A small reminder to complete the photo permission on Parents Portal, we need this from everyone

before we can start to post photos of your child on our School Website. Lovely to see a busy Halfmerke Havers session this month, hopefully we will see more of you along to the next on on 24th of October.

As always thank you for your continued support.

Ms Hogg