



Attendance for the week before half term was 95.1%. Our target is 96.5%

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9794304

There are 187 children who have 100% attendance – Well Done

Welcome Back: What a great start back! The children are ready to learn and have been working hard on their new topics. We appreciate your efforts with attendance and punctuality especially with the cold, dark mornings. Please bring your child to school every day to support us in reaching our target of 96.5%. Well Done to the Peacock class (Y3) who achieved the highest attendance last half term. Class teachers have different attendance prizes and incentives so the children have to Get in to Win 😊.

Get in to WIN!: Everyday next week all children who get to school before 8.45am will be given a ticket, which will go into a prize draw to win a Tesco voucher. One lucky winner will be picked next Friday afternoon to win a £20 voucher with 2 runner up prizes of a £10 voucher.

Parents Evening: Parents Evening will be on **Wednesday 29th November**. Further details will be in next week's newsletter.

Book Fair comes to School: Don't forget the Scholastic Book Fair next week which will be running on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. There will be a chance to win some book vouchers by joining in with our '**Whose Behind the Book?**' Quiz on Tuesday and Thursday. The winners will have a chance to spend their vouchers on Friday.

Children in Need day - Friday 17th November: The School Council have met and agreed that the theme for our Children in Need day is... **Spotacular.**

Children can dress up in spots for a suggested donation of £1. We will also be running the Round Pound competition which will involve each class completing against each other to **collect as many of the old pound coins as possible.** They are no longer accepted in shops but we can collect them for Children in Need so get rummaging down the sofa or in those money boxes!



We are aiming to raise even more this year to support disadvantaged young people across the UK. Let's make a big difference!

Nursery Notice- Applying for a 30 hour place ready for January 2018

If you wish to apply for a 30 hour (full-time) placement in our nursery from January 2018, you will need to apply online via the Childcare Choices Website (www.childcarechoices.gov.uk). If you are eligible you will need to bring your 11-digit code to the school office to register your interest. **Full-time places will be allocated to nursery children who will have their 4th birthday between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018.** Please apply as soon as possible. Full-time places are limited and will be dealt with on a first come, first serve basis. If your child already has a 30 hour place, please remember to reconfirm your eligibility.

Reminder: F2 Theatre visit: Turtle and Octopus classes are going to see a performance of 'Dear Santa' at the Theatre Royal on **Friday 1st December at 1.30pm**. The children will be transported to and from the theatre by coach and will arrive back at school between 3.15pm and 3.30pm. The total cost of the trip is £15 as the tickets themselves cost £12. We are only asking parents for a contribution of **£5 as school is paying the rest**. Please complete the attached slip and return to the school office with your £5 contribution by Friday 24th November. Thank you to those who have already paid.



Reminder for Year 3/4 Tennis Club: Mr McGrory is running an afterschool Tennis club on Tuesdays from 3:15 – 4:15. Children will need to have their PE kit in school. Please sign and return the attached slip below for your child to join the club.

Reminder for Year 3/4 Netball Club: Miss Parmiter is running an afterschool Netball club on Mondays from 3:15 – 4:15. Children will need to have their PE kit and a jumper, as this club will be outside. Please sign and return the attached slip below for your child to join the club.

Year 3 and 4: For Monday the 13th of November, please could children bring in a cereal box or equivalent cardboard for our design and technology lesson. Thank you.

Absence: It is the responsibility of the parents/carers of all pupils at Heathfield, from 3 – 11 years, to inform the school on the first day of their child's absence. A letter will be sent if no contact has been made, however failure to inform the school of reasons of absence will result in an unauthorised absence being recorded.

Any child, who is absent for more than 3 days, is required to bring in medical evidence as proof of illness. Failure to inform the school of a child's reason of absence or being absent for 3 or more days, may result in a home visit from a member of our Attendance Team.

Parent/carers whose child has below 90% attendance will be informed by letter each half term, even if they have had the absences authorised.

Leave of Absence: Schools have a discretionary power to grant a pupil time off school during the term for exceptional circumstances. Parents should fill in a leave of absence request form and give at least 6 weeks' notice of the event. **This does not include holidays in term time.**

If families choose to take their child out of school during term time for the reason of a holiday, or school has information that they have taken a holiday during term time, they will be referred to Education Welfare to be issued with a penalty notice. Visit our website for more information about school attendance.

Community News: The Department of Psychology at Nottingham Trent University are hosting a free Family Day on Saturday 11th November for 4-11 year old children with their parents. They have lots of activities taking place on the day.

Control a ball using the electrical signals your brain produces

Discover the wonderful world of optical illusions

Make models of brains and neurons to take home

Free face painting

Psychology NTU Family Day

Saturday 11th November 10am - 2pm

4-11 year olds with parents

Taylor Building Chaucer Street

Reply Slip for EYFS Trip (Turtles and Octopus Classes) – Friday 1st December 2017

I give permission for _____ class _____ to take part in the trip to the Theatre Royal to see 'Dear Santa'

I have included £5 contribution.

I am able to help with the trip. (Parents will be informed at a later date if selected to help)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Reply Slip for Year 3 and 4 After School Tennis Club

I give permission for my child, _____ to take part in the Year 3 and 4 Tennis after school club on a Tuesday.

Class: _____

Signed by Parent /Carer _____ Date _____

Collecting arrangements

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