



**Attendance for this week was 94.1%.**

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9155725

**There are 260 children who have 100% attendance – Well Done**

Well done for helping us to achieve 96.8% whole school attendance last half term. 231 children achieved 100% attendance.

**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](http://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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

**EYFS- Dolphins:** We are very excited to inform parents that we have arranged a theatre trip for the children in Foundation 2. We have booked for the children to see a performance of 'Dear Santa' at the Royal Concert hall on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 1.30pm. 'Dear Santa' is based on the picture book written by the author, Rod Campbell, who has also written, 'Dear Zoo'. The children will be transported to and from the theatre by coach and will arrive back at school between 3.15 and 3.30pm for collection by their adult. The total cost of the trip is £15. We are asking parents for a contribution of £5. Please fill in the slip and return your contribution by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

**Year 3 and 4:** For Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November, please could parents bring in a cereal box or equivalent cardboard for our design and technology lesson, thank you.

**Book Fair:** 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 during our '**Whose Behind the Book?**' Quiz. This quiz will be on Tuesday and Thursday so the winners have a chance to spend their vouchers on Friday.

**Free family Day:** The Department of Psychology at Nottingham Trent University are hosting a **free** Family Day on November 11<sup>th</sup> for 4-11 year old children with their parents. They have lots of demos and activities taking place on the day including science experiments, model making and face painting.

**Parents Coffee Morning:** We are looking for enthusiastic, active and creative parents who would be interested in setting up a Heathfield Parents Group to support our fund raising and parent events in school. School Health will also be attending to discuss and answer any questions regarding children's health and behaviour. Please join us on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 9.15am in Room D & Conservatory.



On **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** we will be celebrating Children in Need! The School Council have asked that we all dress up in spotty clothes as the event is Spotacular! We will be enjoying a spotty menu designed by our very own kitchen and the children will do activities linked to the charity throughout the day. Please bring £1 in to support this incredible charity that helps so many children across our country. Please also have a hunt for any round pounds that are now out of circulation. Children in Need are able to bank them and donating them will help change the lives of children and young people throughout the UK.

Thank you! From the School Council

### **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.

**Year 6 QMC visit:** A reminder that Year 6 children will be visiting QMC for our annual IMPS visit next Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup> November). The focus is 'injury minimisation' and the children will be prepared what to do should they experience a medical emergency. We will be leaving school at 9:15am, travelling by tram to and from the QMC. As we arrive back at 1pm, all children will need a packed lunch for that day. If your child is in receipt of FSM a school lunch will be provided if required. We can order sandwiches for children who pay for their lunches, however the office do need to know in advance. The cost of this visit is £2. We welcome parent helpers, and will need adults to support this visit. If you have not already returned the reply slip, could this please be returned before the trip.

**Adam Pepper DVD order:** Many of you asked if you could purchase a copy of the DVD- containing both the factual documentaries as well as the action movie. If you would like to order a copy, please fill in the reply slip and return it to the office. We have extended the order deadline to Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov instead of the 10th. We will not be able to place orders after this deadline. A couple of parents also asked about the Laurel & Hardy movie from Year 3/4 and our Year 5 Sherlock Holmes inspired film. Adam has offered one last chance to purchase these films. The cost of each DVD is £4.

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### Reply Slip for Adam Pepper DVD

I would like to order a copy of:

The Adam Pepper SPACE film documentary and action movie (£4) \_\_\_\_

The Year 5 Sherlock Holmes film (£4) \_\_\_\_

The Laurel and Hardy Year 3 & 4 movie (£4) \_\_\_\_

**Please tick the film that you wish to order. We cannot order the DVD without prior payment and the order MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FRI 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Parental signature:

Name of child:

Class:

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### Reply Slip for EYFS Trip – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ in Dolphins 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.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Reply Slip for Year 6 visit to QMC – 14th November 2017

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ class \_\_\_\_\_ to visit the QMC.

I will need a school pack lunch.

I have included £2 contribution.

I am able to help with the trip

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_