HEATHFIELD NEWS

21ST SEPTEMBER 2018

KERSALL DRIVE CAMPUS



Attendance for this week for the whole school was 95.6%

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9794304 Green is good – Lets make sure all our classes this academic year are green and hit our target of 96.5% or above

Jellyfish am	Turtles	Hedgehogs	Rabbits	Peacocks	Pelicans 89%
96.7%	98.4%	97.9 %	89.2%	98.7%	
Jellyfish pm	Octopus	Owls	Squirrels 96%	Eagles	Leopards
94.7%	98.4%	97.1%		95.3%	96.4%

<u>Y4 Sleepover:</u> What a fantastic experience despite it being a camp in the hall instead of outside. The horrible weather meant a change of plan but the children did not mind at all. Thank you to all the parents who allowed their children to spend a night in school and have a fantastic experience with Adventures Into and children from Scotland Road. Not sure how much sleep happened but they were all ready to go again this morning! A big thank you also to the members of staff who organised the event and stayed with the children.

<u>School Photos</u>: Red Feather will be in school on **Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd October** to photograph the following classes:

- Tuesday 2nd October: Turtles and Octopus
- Wednesday 3rd October: Jellyfish, Hedgehogs, Owls, Squirrels and Rabbits

Wrates Photographers will be in taking photos on **Monday 15th October** for Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans and Leopards. Sibling photographs will also be taken on this day, further details will be in next week's newsletter.

<u>Hedgehogs Owls, Squirrels and Rabbits:</u> As part of our 'Telling Tales' topic KS1 will be visited by a theatre company on **Tuesday 2nd October**. The children will be watching a performance of 'The Greatest Fairy Tale Ever Told' which includes lots of the characters we have come across during topic. This show is a lovely, exciting opportunity for the children and we hope to do lots of activities based on the show afterwards.

As part of our commitment to enrichment opportunities for our pupils this performance will be paid for by school funds so there will be no cost to you!

PE Kits: PE kits should be in school every day. Children need shorts/jogging bottoms, a T-Shirt and trainers or plimsolls. As the weather is turning wetter and colder, the children will also need a jumper with them. Unfortunately our hall cannot be used just before or after lunch so some PE sessions will have to be outside even if the weather is not great. We will ensure the activities are safe and any extreme weather is taken into account and alternative PE arrangements will be made. Children without the required kit will be asked to join the session supporting and learning in other ways. We have some spare kit in school but there is not enough for the number of children who are without their kit. We ask for your support in ensuring your child has everything they need to access the curriculum.

<u>Holidays and leave of absence in school term time:</u> Please inform us if you are taking your child out of school during term time as we have a duty of care to find out where a child is if they are not attending school; it also prevents unnecessary phone calls, texts and home visits. All applications for a leave of absence must be made in writing, on the form provided by school.

A leave of absence request shall not be granted in term time unless there are exceptional reasons, irrespective of the child's overall attendance. Only the Head Teacher or designate (not the Local Authority) may authorise such a request. Holidays are not considered as an exceptional circumstance and will be recorded as unauthorised.

Where a parent takes a leave of absence to which the application was refused or takes a leave of absence where no application was made, School will request a penalty notice to be issued by the Local Authority. The penalty notice will be issued to each parent of the individual child.

Hathersage 2019 for Year 2 Children: We are pleased to offer Year 2 children the opportunity to attend a residential trip to Hathersage for 3 days in July 2019. This will include a visit to Carsington Water, a 5 mile hike and a day at Chatsworth Farm. Once again we will stay in Hathersage Youth Hostel where children can enjoy a disco and a movie evening. There will also be delicious hot meals provided by the hostel in the mornings and evenings and picnic lunches during the day.

The total cost for the trip will be £95 (£89 for the youth hostel and £6 for Chatsworth Farm). To keep the cost down for all children, school will pay for travel by coach (approximately £25 per child). The school has elected to use some of the pupil premium grant to support the costs of the residential, which means if your child is currently in receipt of free school meals the cost will be £23.75. If your child has been in receipt of free school meals any time in the last 6 years the cost will be £47.50.

If you are interested in your child taking part in this trip, please fill in the slip attached and hand it in to the office by **Friday 28th September.** We will then see how many children we have on the list and will let you know which children have gained a place by **Friday 5th October**. A £20 deposit will then be required to reserve a place.

Are you eligible for Free School Meals? This can be confusing as all children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 get universal free school meals from the Government but this is different to the Free School Meal indicator which enables families to get our school trips at a reduced rate. If you are in receipt of certain benefits you may be eligible. Please ask at the office for a form – it could save you money!

<u>Recorder/Music After School Club:</u> Mrs Gwynne is starting a recorder/music club for children in years 2, 3, 4 and 5 between 3.15pm and 4pm from **Friday 5th October** which will run throughout the year. New starters can join at the beginning of every half term, with parents' permission.

No previous experience is necessary and children are not required to have their own instrument. Please complete the attached reply slip and return it back to school as soon as possible.

Netball After School Club: Miss Parmiter is starting a netball after school club on a Monday between 3.15pm and 4.15pm for children in Years 3, 4 and 5. Please complete the slip below if you would like your child to take part.

<u>Yoga After School Club</u>: Miss Parmiter is starting a yoga after school club on a Wednesday between 3.15pm and 4.15pm for children in Year 1. Please complete the slip below if you would like your child to take part

Hathersage 2019 for Year 2 Children:							
I would like my child							
class							
to take part in the Hathersage residential trip taking	place in July 2019.						
Signed D	Date						
<u>Reply Slip for After School Clubs</u> – We have the Please tick which club your child wishes to attend		e this half term.					
I give permission for my child, part in the following club.	in class	to take					
□ Monday– Year 3, 4 and 5 - Netball Club	le Reekethell Club						
□ Tuesday – Year 4 and 5 - Pelicans and Leopard □ Wednesday – Year 1 – Hedgehogs and Owls Ye							
□ Thursday – Year 2 - Squirrels and Rabbits Multi	•						
□ Friday– Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 – Recorder/Music Clu	dr						
Should we receive too many reply slips, we shall dr	aw names out of a hat to ensure it is fa	ir for all children.					
Signed by Parent /Carer	Date						

Collecting arrangements

I will collect my child when the club has finished

□ My son/daughter is going to afterschool club