



Attendance for the half term for the whole school up until Thursday 18th October is 96%

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 95.2%	Turtles 96.6%	Hedgehogs 95.3%	Rabbits 95.8%	Peacocks 96.3%	Pelicans 94.6%
Jellyfish pm 91.0%	Octopus 96.2%	Owls 97.7%	Squirrels 96.2%	Eagles 95.1%	Leopards 97.4%

Message from Mr Fullwood: Thank you for your support in ensuring our pupils have had such a positive start to the new academic year. The Heathfield Pledge has very much been in evidence with so many great opportunities and experiences on offer to our pupils:

- ✓ Y6 London Residential
- ✓ Y4 Sleepover (in the school hall due to the weather)
- ✓ Strings tuition for all Y4 pupils and follow-on for Y5/6
- ✓ Bricks 4 Kidz Y3/4
- ✓ GREAT Project Y6
- ✓ Y3/4 Survival skills with Adventures Into
- ✓ Hobgoblin Theatre Performance for KS1
- ✓ Y5 Million Pound Drop
- ✓ Harvest Festival
- ✓ Y5 York Residential

We pride ourselves on delivering a broad and balanced curriculum through quality first teaching and my staff deserve enormous credit for their commitment and professionalism. Thank you, too, for the welcome you have given to all of our new members of staff. All have really embraced life at Heathfield and continue to be impressed by our delightful pupils (your children).

Have a good half term break and we will see you all on Monday 5th November.

Thinking of Others Week: Week beginning 12th November is National Anti-bullying week, with the Friday being Children in Need. We have decided to combine both events into 'Thinking of Others' week. The week will involve a series of events on how we can think of and help others. On Monday 12th November children are invited to wear odd socks to highlight that differences should be celebrated. On **Friday 16th November**, Children in Need day, pupils can wear something spotty or Pudsey related.



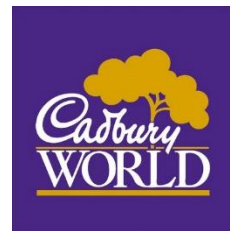
EYFS- Dark Day and Stay and Read: Children in EYFS will be having a 'Dark Day' on **Friday 9th November**. The children will be spending the day in the dark exploring light sources. The children are invited to bring to school their own torch or light-up toy. Please ensure that it is labelled with their name.

We will also be inviting parents to join us for a 'Stay and Read' session in the dark!

- Octopus and Turtles parents – please join us for a dark Stay and Read at 8.45am
- Jellyfish morning parents – please join us for a dark Stay and Read at 11.30am
- Jellyfish afternoon parents – please join us for a dark Stay and Read at 3.00pm

Reminder Year 1 Light Night: The Light Night on **Wednesday 7th November** between 3.15pm and 5.45pm is for children in Hedgehogs and Owls class. If you have not yet returned your child's permission slip this must be brought back in to school on Monday 5th November. Thank you.

Year 5 Cadbury World: As part of our Mayans topic next half term we will be visiting Cadbury World on **Monday 12th November**. The visit includes:



- A trip around the attraction, including learning about the history of chocolate, the chocolate making process and interactive areas
- An interactive topic talk about the Mayans
- A 4D cinema experience
- Chocolate freebies!

We will be leaving Kersall Drive at 9:15am therefore children should arrive at normal time. We will leave Cadbury world at 3:00pm with the aim of returning back to school for around 4:30pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch or request one on the attached slip. Spending money is allowed to a maximum of £5.

The cost of the trip including a talk is £9.80, this represents good value as school are also fully covering the cost of transport. We are asking pupils to pay £5 for the trip.

Please return the attached slip below with the £5 before Wednesday 7th November. Any parents who wish to support with this trip should speak to Mr Battison. Thank you.

Scholastic Book Fair: Our Autumn Term Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 15th, Friday 16th and Monday 19th November at 3.15pm**. Children will be able to visit the book fair accompanied by an adult after school. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Look out for further details after half-term.

Children leaving Heathfield: We understand that some children may leave Heathfield due to moving house or changes in circumstances. If you are considering a change of school or have applied for a transfer, can we ask that you speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance so that we are aware of the reasons for leaving and can make suitable arrangements to pass information to the next school in good time. Sadly for couple of children who left this half term, were not made aware until their last afternoon which was upsetting for them, their friends and the teacher. Any worries should be shared with staff at school as more often than not we can resolve issues once we know about them.

Nursery- Applying for a 30 hours placement: We are continuing to offer 30-hour places for eligible children who have their **4th birthday between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019**. We would like to encourage parents who want to take up a 30 hours place in the Spring term to apply now- and no later than the end of November, to have their application processed in good time. Applications and eligibility checks should be made via the Childcare Choices website (www.childcarechoices.gov.uk). If your application is successful, please can I advise you to contact the school office to validate your 11-digit code and to reserve a place. You will also need to complete a declaration form and bring along with you, your child's birth certificate and your National Insurance number. A confirmation letter will be sent out to you to confirm your child's place.

New Menus: Your child will today receive a copy of the new school dinner menu, which will start from Monday 5th November. Don't forget that all children in our Reception and KS1 classes are eligible under the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme to have a free school meal.

Children, who are in the Nursery and Years 3, 4 and 5 unless eligible to Free School Meals, will need to pay for school dinners. The current price is £1.95 per meal meaning that the weekly cost is £9.75.

Afterschool Clubs – We still have spaces in the following afterschool clubs that will start after half-term.

- Monday KS2 Dance 3.15pm-4.15pm (Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans and Leopards)
- Tuesday Year 3 and 4 Multisports Club 3.15pm-4.15pm (Peacocks, Eagles and Pelicans)

If you would like your child to take part please sign the attached slip and return back to school.

All spaces in the Year 1 Gymnastics Club that starts on Thursday 8th November have been taken and we now have a waiting list for this club.

After school clubs continuing after half term: If your child currently attends the following after school clubs these will be continuing after the October half-term holiday.

- Wednesday Year 1 Yoga with Miss Parmiter
- Thursdays Year 3-5 Choir with Mrs West
- Fridays Year 2-5 Recorder and Music Club with Mrs Gwynne

Midday Supervisor Vacancies: Come and join our team! We currently have Midday Supervisor vacancies across both campuses to work one hour and 25 minutes per day with an hourly rate of £8.50 per hour. If you or anyone you know is interested in these positions please collect an application form from either school office. Completed application forms should be returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Reply Slip for Year 1 Light Night (Hedgehogs and Owls)

I would like my child in class..... to take part in the Year 1 'Light Night'.

My child requires a meat hot dog Yes No

My child requires a vegetarian hot dog Yes No

I have included a contribution of £1.50 Yes No

Signed Date

Reply Slip for Year 5 trip to Cadbury World (Leopards) – Monday 12th November

I give permission for my child,..... in class Leopards to attend the trip to Cadbury World on Monday 12th November.

I have included a contribution of £5 towards the trip Yes No

If your child receives a free school meal please indicate whether you would like them to be provided with a packed lunch: Yes No

I am able to volunteer as a helper on the day Yes No

Signed Date

Reply Slip for After School Clubs – We have the following after school clubs taking place after October half term. Please tick which club your child wishes to attend

I give permission for my childin class. to take part in the following club.

Monday – KS2 Dance with Kerry – Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans and Leopards

Tuesday – Year 3 and 4 Multisports – Peacock, Eagles and Pelicans

Should we receive too many reply slips, we shall draw names out of a hat to ensure it is fair 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