## **HEATHFIELD NEWS**

## 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

## Attendance for the whole school for this half term was 94%

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 89.4% Jellyfish pm 82.8% <mark>Jellyfish FT 97.7%</mark>			Hedgehogs 95.5%		Rabbits 91.8%	Peace 96.6		Pelicans 94.2%
	Octopus 95	.3%	Owls	92.2%	Squirrels 93.9%	Eagles	94.5%	Leopards 95.9%



We break up today for one week and return back to school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February. As we start the second half of the year we would like to remind you of the school uniform expectations. **All children** should wear school uniform each day unless there is a particular

themed day. Our school uniform is navy blue, not royal blue. T-shirts can be white, navy blue, pale blue or pale yellow. Black school shoes should also be worn. At the moment there are a lot of children wearing trainers or boots which are **not** school policy. Also novelty headbands (e.g. those with ears or unicorn horns) are not to be worn for school. Please see the website for the full uniform list.

**The BIG MONSTER Hunt:** Over the last few weeks some of you may have spotted adverts on bus stops in and around Nottingham promoting 'The BIG MONSTER hunt'. At local libraries in Nottingham City, staff have hidden monsters with a secret message. If you are able to visit a city library with your child over half term, you can find the hidden words to reveal a secret message. The school with the most

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completed challenges can win new books for their own school library. The winning school will receive their prize on World Book, which is on 7 March 2019.

The sheet that you will need to enter the competition will be sent out today alongside the newsletter. Everyone that participates needs to **return their completed sheet to the office by Friday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March 2019.** For more information about this event visit <u>www.ReadOnNottingham.org.uk</u>

Heathfield Rainbow Reading Challenge We are delighted with the number of children who have embraced



the Rainbow Reading challenge this last half term. Some children have already achieved their orange certificate, meaning that they have read at home a total of 35 times on separate days! Thank you to all parents/carers that have supported this initiative. It is great to see so many children wearing reading badges and being enthused about their reading. We are hoping to see many more completed challenges after half term ③

**<u>Heathfield School Library books</u>**: We appear to be missing several books from our school library. Please have a good look around at home to see if there are any school books that your child has read and return them after half term. Your support with this would be very much appreciated.

**World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** For World Book Day, on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**, we are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Throughout the day children will be looking at a range of picture books by significant authors and will then share some of the work that they have completed in class during a celebration assembly at the end of the school day. We encourage children to be as creative as possible with their outfits and there is no expectation for parents to buy costumes. Hopefully- by giving you a few weeks' notice- you will be able to think about planning your costume over half term. For those children who decide not to come dressed as their favourite book character the expectation is that they will still be dressed in school uniform.





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<u>Year 4 PGL Parent meeting - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March:</u> If your child has a place at PGL please come along to see what they will be doing and ask any questions that you may have. The meeting will be on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 3:20pm in the Pelicans classroom.

<u>Squirrels Swimming</u>: As part of the school's PE curriculum after half term, Squirrels class will be taking swimming lessons each week on a Wednesday afternoon up until the Easter holidays. This is free of charge and children will be provided with transportation to and from the swimming baths. Please can you make sure that your child is provided with the following equipment-

- A swimming costume for girls (MUST be a one piece costume)
- Trunks for boys (not shorts-no pockets allowed!)
- A towel
- Bobble to tie long hair back

Please note that children will not be allowed to swim if they are not wearing the appropriate swimwear. Children are **not** permitted to wear any jewellery whilst swimming and are to only bring goggles if I have written permission from a parent/carer.

## Reminder KS1 Trip to Wollaton Hall:

- Friday 1st March: Squirrels and Rabbits
- Thursday 7th March: Hedgehogs and Owls

If you have not yet returned your child's slip please do so on the first day back after half term as we need to ensure that the kitchen has the correct numbers for packed lunches. If you are able to support on the day, please let your child's teacher know. Thank you.

<u>Turtles and Octopus trip to Sherwood Pines:</u> On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Turtles and Octopus are going to spend the day at Sherwood Pines. We will be doing lots of different activities linked to the Gruffalo and Stickman

This trip costs £5 per child, but will be paid for by school fund. We will be leaving at the start of the school day and will hopefully be back in time for the end of the day.

Although we will have a classroom as a base, we plan on spending the majority of the day outside whatever the weather so it is very important that the children come appropriately dressed. Children do not need to wear uniform but do need to wear warm waterproof clothes. Please can children also have a thick waterproof coat, and a hat, gloves and a scarf. It could be muddy so please send your child in either wellies (maybe with several pairs of socks on!) or sturdy waterproof shoes.

As all F2 children are entitled to a free school dinner, the kitchen will provide a packed lunch for them. However, if you would like to provide a packed lunch of your own, please let us know on the reply slip attached so we can order the right number of dinners. Please can reply slips be returned back to school by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. If you are able to help on the trip please indicate on the slip or speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

<u>Midday Supervisor Vacancies</u>: 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.

<u>After school clubs continuing after half term</u>: If your child currently attends the following after school clubs these will be continuing after the February half-term holiday.

- Wednesday Year 3 Yoga with Miss Parmiter
- Thursdays Year 3-5 Choir with Mrs West
- Friday Year 2-5 Recorder and Music Club with Mrs Gwynne
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Reply Slip for Year 1 Wollaton Park Trip – Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March (Hedgehogs and Owls)								
Child's Name	_Class							
I give permission for my child to visit Wollaton Hall on <b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b> .								
Name of parent	_Signed							
I am available to support the trip								
I wish to order a school packed lunch for my child. Please tick	the choice of sandwich ] Cheese spread							
My child will have a packed lunch brought in from home								
Reply Slip for Year 2 Wollaton Park Trip – Friday 1st March (Squirrels and Rabbits)								
Child's Name	_Class							
I give permission for my child to visit Wollaton Hall on <b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b> .								
Name of parent	_Signed							
I am available to support the trip								
I wish to order a school packed lunch for my child. Please tick	the choice of sandwich Cheese spread							
My child will have a packed lunch brought in from home								
Reply Slip for Sherwood Pines – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March (Turtles and Octopus)								
Child's Name	_Class							
I give permission for my child to visit Sherwood Pines on Friday 15th March.								
Name of parent	_Signed							
I am available to support the trip								
I wish to order a school packed lunch for my child. Please tick	the choice of sandwich ] Cheese spread							
My child will have a packed lunch brought in from home								