## 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019 SCOTLAND ROAD CAMPUS



## Attendance for last week was 94.8%.

Seahorse am	Seahorse pm	Seahorse FT	Dolphins	Foxes	Badgers	Hares	Flamingos	Toucans	Parrots	Lions	Tigers	Jaguars
81.8%	98.2%	91.2%	90.3%	97.1%	98.8%	97.8%	98.5%	84.6%	98.5%	94.3%	95.7%	99.3%

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

There were 291/323 children who had 100% attendance last week - Well Done

<u>ONE WEEK LEFT!</u> We break up for the summer holidays at 3:15pm on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July. Staff will have INSET days on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August and Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. The children will start back on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.



<u>Attendance at Heathfield:</u> At Heathfield we regularly celebrate excellent attendance and are committed to improving our pupils overall attendance and punctuality. The DFE states:

'There is a clear link between poor attendance at school and lower academic achievement. Pupils with persistent absence (less than 90% attendance) are less likely to attain at school and stay in education after the age of 16 years.' (March 2016)

This academic year overall attendance has fallen well short of our expectations and has had the following impact:

- 63% of pupils with less than 90% attendance did not make expected progress
- 37% of children who have had an absence during this academic year are considered by the Local Authority to be 'Persistent Absentees' (below 90% attendance) and are at risk of legal action if there is little or no improvement
- Over 2000 days of learning has been lost by pupils with attendance below 90%
- 28 families have been referred for a Penalty Notice Fine for taking a holiday or an unauthorised leave of absence during term time
- Due to the high number of families taking a holiday during term, our attendance leads carry out unannounced home visits for pupils with 3 or more days of absence, even if the parent has informed the school that their child is ill
- Parents of 5 pupils have been referred to the Education Welfare Service for poor attendance or punctuality

By law all children of compulsory school age must receive a suitable full time education and Parents/Carers are legally responsible for making sure their children attend school.

Our young children live and learn in two worlds – home and school. Working together to make sure our children attend school consistently makes an enormous difference in supporting them to become successful learners who do well, build strong relationships and feel connected within the school community.

Thank you, Gary Fullwood

<u>Y6 Leavers and KS2 Celebration Assembly</u>: Parents and carers of the Year 6 children are invited to join us for our annual leavers assembly on Friday 26<sup>th</sup>July at 2pm. We will be saying goodbye to them and celebrating their time at Heathfield.

<u>Change Around Day:</u> On **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** your child will spend the day in their new class. This is an important day in our transition calendar for all children to be part of. Please ensure your child is at school on this day and on time as there is an assembly first thing before the classes swap over.

Annual Reports to Parents: Today you will receive your child's report. Enclosed there is a letter which we would appreciate you returning to school with any comment you would like to make regarding the report. These slips can be given to the office or directly to your child's class teacher. Thank You.





**Dolphins:** If you would like your child to have a place on the Year 1 Board Game Club please return the reply slip below. It will be held on Tuesdays from 3.30-4.30pm starting on 10th September. Places are limited, but if your child does not get a place, they will be put on the waiting list and offered a place later in the year.

Reminder, Year 6 Celebration Event: On the afternoon of Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 will be celebrating the end of their time at Heathfield with an afternoon of pizza and bowling! As a thank you for all of their hard-work and for being such great ambassadors for the school, this will be free of charge. However, as we will be travelling on the tram, a consent slip is required.

Please complete the form, giving permission for your child to travel on the tram. We will be leaving school at approximately 1pm and we will not be returning to school until around 4:30pm. We hope this will be a lovely way for Year 6 to conclude their time at Heathfield.

Cancelled Sports Clubs: Both the Dolphins sport and games club and the Year 5&6 Tennis Club have now finished for the year. They will not run in the last week of term, but there will be plenty of opportunities in the new academic year.



**Summer Story Parks:** Explore five of your favorite Nottingham parks this summer (including Vernon Park) and find magical story dens full of books. crafts, trails and more. Scan the code or visit www.storyparksnottingham.com/ to find out more.



Summer Reading Challenge: Nottingham City Libraries run their own challenge over the holidays. Visit Bulwell Riverside or Basford library for the pack to start the challenge.

Read 6 library books to get special stickers, some with mysterious smells. By adding these stickers to your collectable mission folders, you will help the Rockets solve clues, dodge asteroids and discover the missing books, having lots of fun and adventures along the way! Finish the challenge for special rewards, a certificate and medal. **BONUS**- If you read more than 6 books the library will put your

Scan the code to find out more.



<u>School Meal Price Increase Reminder</u>: From Tuesday 3rd of September 2019 the price of a school meal will rise from £1.95 to £2.15 per meal. This means the weekly cost will rise to £10.75.

Children who are in Reception and KS1 from September 2019 will get the Universal Free School Meal entitlement. This is currently available to them until the end of Year 2.

Children who are in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 from September 2019, unless entitled to Free School Meals, will need to pay for school dinners. Please send dinner money in for the week ensuring that your child's account remains a week in credit at all times.

We have always endeavored to make our parents and carers aware that they may be able to claim FREE school meals. Please see the office if you would like a form to complete.

Reply Slip for the Yr 1 Board Game Club (current Dolphins):								
I consent to my child taking part in the Year 1 Board Game Club in Sept 2019								
NAME	_ CLASS							
Signed								
Reply slip for the Year 6 celebration event:								
I consent to my child taking part in the Year 6 event on Thursday 25th July								
NAME	_ CLASS							
Signed	(Parent/carer)							