



**Attendance for the whole school for this week 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 next academic year are green and hit our target of 96.5% or above**

Jellyfish AM 100%	Jellyfish PM 86.7%	Jellyfish FT 88.2%	Turtles 95.6%	Octopus 94.4%
Hedgehogs 99.2%	Owls 97.7%	Squirrels 91.9%	Rabbits 94.3%	Peacocks 97.7%
Eagles 96.7%	Pelicans 96.8%	Falcons 96.3%	Pumas 94.2%	Leopards 98.5%

**Well done** to our classes who have hit our target of 96.5% or above for attendance. All children need to attend school every day but we understand there may be occasions when they are poorly. Any time out of school can have a negative impact on learning and behaviour.

**Attendance & punctuality expectations:** Our attendance and punctuality expectations are below:

- Both entrance gates are open from 8:30am so you can be on the yard ready for the morning bell to go at 8:45am.
- Parents must inform school, on the day, if your child is going to be late or absent.
- A text will be sent out for unexplained absences, followed up a phone call and a possible home visit if school has not been given a reason of absence.
- All absences of three or more days will need a form of medical documentation in order to be authorised.
- Families with children absent for three or more days may receive an unannounced home visit, even if they have informed the school that their child will be absent – this is due to a number of families who have gone on holiday whilst informing the school that their child was absent for another reason.
- Non-attendance and arriving late will initially be addressed by text, followed up by phone calls and may result in more formal attendance meetings if there is little or no improvement.

Please contact **Mrs Dyer** (our Safeguarding and Attendance officer) if you wish to discuss anything that may affect your child's attendance or punctuality. She is usually at the gate or at the office in the morning.

**Don't forget:** Our FREE Early Birds Breakfast Club runs every day in the hall from 8:15am until the start of the school day at 8:45am. Parents wishing to use this club are reminded that all children must be in the hall **before 8:30am** so there is enough time for the children to eat and the staff to clear the hall ready for the start of the day. Children should be brought to the hall doors where they will be met by a member of staff to sign in.



**REMINDER: EYFS 'Wheels Day' Friday 20th September (Jellyfish, Turtles and Octopus)**

As part of our 'Out and About' topic children are invited to bring their bike or scooter to school on **Friday 20th September**. The children will be learning all about road safety and exploring the school grounds on their set of wheels. Please ensure your child's bike or scooter **and helmet** are clearly labelled with their name. Thank you.

**European Day of Languages:** On **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September** we will be celebrating the languages spoken by our school community. Children will take part in different activities in their classes to highlight the importance of learning languages. There will also be an activity sheet for children to complete and this will be sent out with next week's newsletter. If any parents would like to come in and teach the children a new language please see your child's class teacher!



**Turtles and Octopus Trip to the Shops:** On **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**, we are going to go on a short trip to the local shops straight after registration in the morning. We need parent helpers to come and help us! Please let your child's class teacher know if you could help us on our walk. We will be leaving around 9am and will be back at school by 9.45am. Thank you.

**Young Voices Choir:** Young Voices is back! We will be going to the Sheffield Arena again on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and have lots of work to do to get ready!

Choir will be starting on **Thursdays** from **3:15pm to 4pm** from 19<sup>th</sup> September and is open to children in **years 3, 4, 5 and 6**. If your child would like to come along, please return the attached audition slip as soon as possible to the office. Mrs West will then hold auditions on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, and you will receive a text confirming your child has a place in our choir. If your child was a member last year, they can return without an audition but please still return the slip so we know you are coming!

**School Photos:** Red Feather will be in school on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>** and **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** to photograph the following EYFS and KS1 classes:

- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September: Hedgehogs, Owls, Squirrels
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September: Jellyfish, Turtles, Octopus and Rabbits

Sibling photographs will also be taken on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. The photographer will be here at 8.30 am to take family group photos, where the siblings are not currently attending Heathfield. If this applies to your children, you must be in school by 8.30am.

If all of your children attend Heathfield and you would like them to have a family photo you must still complete and return the form attached. However, your children can come to school at their usual time. Family group photographs will only be taken if a form has been returned to the school office no later than Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

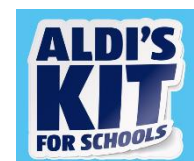
Writes Photographers will be in taking photos on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November** for children in KS2 (Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans, Falcons, Pumas and Leopards). A reminder will be sent out nearer the time. Thank you.

**Year 5 York Residential Parents' Meeting:** Reminder that there is an important meeting on Monday for all parent/carers of children who are going on the York residential in October. The meeting will be at 3.30pm in the Leopards classroom with Mr Battison.

**Payments for trips and residentials:** Please can full payment be made by the following dates for any children who have a place on either the York or London residential or the Year 4 Sleepover. Thank you.

- Year 4 Sleepover on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September – payment by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.
- Year 5 York residential between Monday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – payment by Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.
- Year 6 London residential between Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – payment by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

**ALDI Kit for School stickers:** If you or family members shop in ALDI, please collect the 'Team GB' stickers. The children can bring them in and they will be put on our huge poster in the hall. Once full, our poster will earn us a new sports kit for one of our teams and we will be entered into a competition to win £20,000 which can be spent on sports equipment for the future. We have a few already which is great but definitely need more....



There is a collection box at the office.

**Missing scooter:** Please could you check that your child hasn't gone home with the wrong scooter as we have had a parent come to say that their child's scooter is missing. It is an Avengers Infinity War Folding Inline Scooter and on one of the handlebars the end bit is missing.

If this has happened, please can it be returned back to school. Thank you.



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**Reply Slip for Group Photographs – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

I WISH MY CHILDREN TO HAVE A FAMILY PHOTOGRAPH.

(Please list children - eldest first).

Name of child .....Class. ....

Name of child.....Class.....

Name of child.....Class.....

Name of pre-nursery children (if applicable) .....

Signed.....Parent/Carer

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**Reply slip for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Choir Auditions – September 2019**

My child .....in class.....(please tick relevant box)

Would like to audition for the choir.

Was a member of the choir last year and would like to return

I understand that they should attend each practise afterschool and I will support them to practise the songs at home.

Signed:..... Parent/Carer