



**Attendance for the whole school for this week was 93.2%**

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 90%	Jellyfish PM 100%	Jellyfish FT 83.6%	Turtles 99.3%	Octopus 92.6%
Hedgehogs 90.8%	Owls 97.4%	Squirrels 95.6%	Rabbits 95%	Peacocks 96%
Eagles 92.3%	Pelicans 94.9%	Falcons 87.4%	Pumas 91.1%	Leopards 91.3%

**REMINDER - Year 5 and 6 Space Centre Trip – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October:** Leopards and Pumas will be visiting the National Space Centre next Thursday. In order to maximise our time at the centre, we are going to be setting off from school slightly earlier, so are asking that **children arrive at school for 8:30am**. We will be travelling via coach and are aiming to be back at school for around **6:00pm**.



If you have not yet returned your child's permission slip please come to the school office as these needs to be returned on Monday.

**REMINDER – Considerate Parking by Parents:** Parking continues to be a safety issue along Kersall Drive resulting in us receiving a number of complaints from our neighbours. This week one of our neighbours' driveways was blocked for 20 minutes making him late for an appointment. Understandably he was upset by this and this does not create the community spirit which we are trying hard to build around this nearly new campus. **PLEASE do not park over driveways or on the yellow zig-zag lines.** There are lots of roads off Kersall Drive which are only a 2 minute walk away from the gates. We now open both gates in the morning and at home time to ease congestion. Please consider your child's safety on a busy road and be considerate to our neighbours. We continue to chase parking enforcement teams to patrol the area but in their absence we ask for your co-operation.

**Year 3 and 4 (Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans and Falcons):** As part of our Wonderful World topic we are doing 2 art projects which we need your help with. Firstly can you please bring in any bottle lids (e.g. from milk or pop bottles) that you have at home - a range of colours will be really useful.

Secondly we are making a 3D map of London - so please could you bring in any cardboard boxes (e.g. cereal boxes) that you have. Thank You!

**Menu change: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September:** There will be a change to the vegetarian meal option on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Instead of Quorn Meatballs it will be Quorn Sausage Pasta Bake.

**Pride in defeat!** Despite the best efforts of our new school football team we were unable to progress any further in our debut football tournament. Despite our hard work, a very good Lady Bay side proved too strong for a spirited Heathfield meaning we lost 9-1.



However, despite defeat we came away with a great experience and a hunger to make sure our next game is a winning one. Well done to those who took part, we are proud of you!

**School Facebook page:** Thank you to everyone who has asked to sign up to our school Facebook page. This page has been created to enable us to share information with parents and carers of current pupils. It is a closed group, so parents/carers will need to request to join.



Please remember that if you do request to join this group your request will only be approved if you answer the three questions asked. We will send the link out via text again for you.

**TTRockstars:** Being able to efficiently recall number facts is one of the key elements of successful mathematicians as knowing them instantly allows the brain to focus on new learning rather than working them out. One way we aim to improve this is through using the TTRockstars website and app that focuses on times tables. The National Curriculum states that:



- In Y2, children should know all multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- In Y3, as above plus the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.
- In Y4, children can recall all multiplication and division facts up to 12x12. Year 4s will be tested on these in May during the new Government Multiplication Check.
- In Y5 and Y6 the aim is to maintain fluency and apply it to different strategies in order to successfully approach a more demanding curriculum.

However, children are encouraged and challenged to know them all sooner. The quicker they know them, the easier they will find many elements of their maths lessons.

All children from Y2 onwards should have an account - please see your child's teacher if you are yet to receive the account details. Y1 will be given accounts when deemed suitable by the class teacher. We recommend practising at least 3x weekly but the more practise the better! Try to make it a part of your daily routine as a few minutes a day can be all the difference. Please see <https://trockstars.com/> or download the TTRockstars app. Thanks for your continued support.

**Hathersage 2020 for Year 2 Children:** We are pleased to offer children in Squirrels and Rabbits class the opportunity to attend a residential trip to Hathersage for 3 days next year, from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

The total cost for the trip will be £95. To keep the cost down for all children, school will pay for travel by coach which is £869. 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 in to the school office by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**. If your child is chosen for a place on the trip a £20 deposit will be required to reserve the place which will need to be paid by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. You will then be issued with a payment card so that payments can be made towards the cost of the trip.

**Head lice:** We have had confirmed cases of head lice within school. Please check your child's hair for any signs of eggs or lice. Lice are usually found around the hair line or at the roots of the hair – they can make your child very itchy and uncomfortable. Head lice treatment is very effective and can be obtained from chemists and supermarkets. Using the metal combs and conditioner is also a way to remove live head lice but this may not always clear the hair fully of the eggs. We recommend that long hair is tied up to help prevent the spreading of head lice and that hair is checked daily.

**Goose Fair Menu:** Please join us for our special Goose fair Menu on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

All children in Foundation and KS1 will be ordered a school meal under the universal infant free school meals scheme. Children will be able to pick their option as normal during morning registration on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

Nursery full time children and KS2 children: the cost for a dinner is £2.15 unless your child is entitled to free school meals.



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**Hathersage 2020 for Year 2 Children:** (Squirrels and Rabbits Class)

I would like my child.....in class .....to be considered for a place on the Year 2 Hathersage residential taking place in July 2020.

I understand that should they get a place a £20 deposit will need to be paid by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November with the full balance paid before the end of June 2020.

Signed..... Date.....