

# HEATHFIELD NEWS

14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

KERSALL DRIVE CAMPUS



**Attendance for the whole school for last week was 94.5%**

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9794304

**Green is good – Let's make sure all our classes this academic year are green and hit our target of 96.5% or above.**

Jellyfish 93.8%			Turtles 90.4%	Octopus 89.3%
Hedgehogs 92.8%	Owls 96.2%	Squirrels 95.3%	Rabbits 95.7%	Peacocks 99.2%
Eagles 100%	Pelicans 89.7%	Falcons 97.1%	Pumas 94.1%	Leopards 95.6%

**Last week's winners of the highest attendance was the Eagles class who got another 100% and will receive £20.00 for their attendance jar. Well done Eagles!!**

**February Half Term:** We break up today for a week. School will reopen on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. All children will have received a topic overview to introduce what they will be learning next half term. Please have a look at this so you can find out some information before the new term begins. You could visit the library, places of interest or create a homework project together over the holiday.

**Year 4 PGL Residential Meeting:** If your child has a place on the Year 4 PGL residential please come and join us for information about it on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February** at 3:25pm in the Pelican classroom. A reminder that full payment for the PGL residential now needs to have been paid in full.

**School Discos:** Our Spring Disco will be held in the school hall on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February**. Children in Turtles, Octopus, Hedgehogs, Owls, Squirrels and Rabbits classes are invited to attend the disco between 3:30pm and 4:30pm and can bring some clothes to get changed into straight after school. Children in Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans, Falcons, Pumas and Leopards are invited to the disco between 4.30pm and 5.30pm.



**Tickets are priced at £2.00 per ticket and will include unlimited drinks. Children may also bring some small change to buy some sweets from our stall.** Tickets are limited due to the space in the hall and are available to buy via the School Gateway app up until the day of the disco. Go to [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) to sign up.

**Pumas Class Swimming Lessons:** As part of our PE curriculum Pumas Class will be going **swimming each Wednesday afternoon after February half term. This will start from Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** at Southglade Leisure Centre and is free of charge. Children will be provided with transportation to and from the swimming baths with them returning by the end of the day.

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 below the knee (**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 we have written permission from a parent/carer. If you have any questions, please speak with Miss Willey.

### World Book Day Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March:

- **Dress as your favourite story character**
- Giant Paired Reading assembly
- Investigate your Reading DNA
- Bookmark competition
- **Green** Rainbow Reading celebration
- Book Amnesty – bring back our library books!
- Family Quiz at 3:15pm in the hall (with prizes)
- EYFS Stay and Read sessions



**Holidays and leave of absence in school term time:** Please inform us if you are taking your child out of school during term time as we have a duty of care to find out if they are not attending school: it also prevents unnecessary phone calls, texts and home visits. All applications must be made in writing, on the form provided by school.

A leave of absence request shall not be granted unless there are exceptional circumstances. Irrespective of a child's overall attendance. Only the Head Teacher or designate (not the local authority) may authorise such a request. Holidays are not considered as exceptional circumstances and will not be recorded as authorised. When a parent takes a leave of absence to which an application was refused, takes a leave of absence where no application was made or school suspects that a family has been on holiday whilst suggesting to the school another reason of absence, school will request a penalty notice to be issued by the Local Authority. **The penalty notice will be issued to each parent of each individual child.**

Please note: absences of 3 or more days will require medical documentation to be authorised and may result in a home visit. **Attending family celebrations and weddings abroad will be considered as taking a holiday during term time.**

**FREE Rugby taster session:** We have received information about a Rugby taster session which parents can take children to on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** (between 5.30pm and 8.30pm). This event is a great opportunity for children who have never played rugby before to go and enjoy a FREE rugby session with the Leicester Tigers and Nottingham Moderns Junior coaching teams. There will be boots available to the children if they do not have suitable footwear. <https://www.leicestertigers.com/tigers-takeover-event>.

Nottingham Moderns RFC is easy to find (and to travel to) as they are based on the south side of the River Trent in Wilford, next to the Wilford Village Tram stop (collect a flyer at the office for more information)

### **Things to do during February Half-Term**

**Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity:** Taking science out of the lab and into the community, Nottingham festival of science and curiosity will run from the 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020. There will be drop in activities in local libraries, talks in pubs, comedy nights, workshops in arts venues and even games in a market hall. Find out more at: [www.nottsfosac.co.uk](http://www.nottsfosac.co.uk).



**Head to Nottingham Contemporary between 11 - 3pm (Tues - Sun) for Sonic Moves** - a selection of free creative activities exploring sound, patterns and drawing. There's no need to book, just drop in and stay as long as you like.

**Visit Nottingham Playhouse for their fun-filled February Family Fest.** With a diverse range of activities from drama to dance, and circus classes to crafts, creative writing and storytelling sessions, they have something for all ages and abilities.

**After school clubs:** After February half term we will have the following after school clubs running. These will replace the current ones that we have on these days.

All clubs will start week commencing **24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 between 3.15pm and 4.15pm unless stated below.**

- Monday - KS2 Football Club for boys in Year 3,4,5 and 6
- Monday – Story Time Club for KS1 with Miss Parmiter
- Monday – Creative Club for F2 children – Turtles and Octopus **(3:15pm – 4pm)**
- Tuesday - Year 3 and 4 Tennis Club
- Wednesday – Year 5 and 6 Athletics Club
- Thursday – Year 1 and 2 Multisports Club
- Thursday – KS2 Football Club for girls in Year 3,4,5 and 6
- Thursday – Craft Club for Year 1 **(3:15pm – 4pm)**

Please sign the attached slip if you would like your child to take part. You will receive a text confirming your child's place.

**Clubs not continuing after half term:** The following clubs will **NOT** be continuing after February half term.

- Monday – KS2 Dance
- Thursday – Year 5 and 6 Debating Society

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

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

- Mondays – KS2 Football Club for boys in Year 3,4,5 and 6
- Mondays – Story Time Club for KS1 (Year 1 and 2)
- Mondays – Creative Club for F2 children - Turtles and Octopus **(3:15pm – 4pm)**
- Tuesdays - Year 3 and 4 Tennis Club
- Wednesdays – Year 5 and 6 Athletics Club
- Thursdays – Year 1 and 2 Multisports Club
- Thursdays – KS2 Football Club for girls in Year 3,4,5 and 6
- Thursdays – Craft Club for Year 1 **(3:15pm – 4pm)**

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

**THINK** BEFORE **PARK**  
YOU

BE CONSIDERATE TO OUR NEIGHBOURS  
DO NOT PARK ON ZIG ZAG LINES

**YOU COULD ENDANGER  
A CHILD'S LIFE**

A triangular warning sign with a red border and a white background, depicting a black silhouette of a child riding a bicycle.