# **HEATHFIELD NEWS**

#### 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020

## KERSALL DRIVE CAMPUS



Attendance for the whole school for last week was 92.1% - a large drop from previous weeks If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9794304

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Jellyfish AM 100%	Jelly	fish PM 8	82.2%	Jellyfish	FT 95.6%	Turt	les 91.8%	D	Octopus 96.3%
Hedgehogs 97.6%	%	Owls		3.7% Squir		rels 86.7%			Rabbits 88.7%
Peacocks - closed		Ea	Eagles 96.2%		Pelicans 87.8%			Falcons 87.6%	
Panthers 95.1%			Pumas - closed			Leopards 94.5%			

**<u>Peacocks and Pumas</u>**: Children in Peacocks and Pumas classes can return back to school on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December providing they do not have any symptoms. **All other classes remain open**.

Last Day of the Term - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December: Please note that we will not be offering our usual Rainbow Club provision or After School club on this day. Therefore, all children should be collected at 12.50-1.00pm if their surname is A-M or 1.00-1.10pm if their surname is N-Z. We return back to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Drop off and collection times from January 2021: From the first day back in January we will be adjusting our drop off and collection times to allow for a prompt start and end to the school day, enabling more learning time for our pupils. Due to the fantastic support from parents and carers with our current arrangements we feel we will still be able to get the children in and out of school safely. Parents/carers will still drop off and collect from the same places but instead of a ten-minute window for drop offs and collections, we will be allowing only five minutes. The gates will be locked at 8:50am.

Drop Off - Monday to Friday Surnames ending A-M	Collection - Monday to Thursday	Collection – Fridays
8:40am-8:45am Surnames ending N-Z <b>8:45am-8:50am</b>		Surnames A-M – 12:50pm-12:55pm Surnames N-Z – <b>12:55pm – 1:00pm</b>

<u>Reporting Absence:</u> We ask that **ANY absence is reported** as soon as possible as it is only with swift communication from parents that we are able to minimise disruption in school. Please use <u>covidreporting@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk</u> to send any confirmation of tests being taken and any result notifications. If anyone in your house has symptoms or is waiting for a test result, your child should remain at home.

**Friday Afternoon Rainbow Club Sign up:** Please use this link to sign up your child/children to Rainbow Club on **Friday 11<sup>TH</sup> December** <u>https://bit.ly/2VNRrvC</u> Rainbow Club is open to working families who have no alternative childcare arrangements. Proof of work shift will be required.





<u>Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December:</u> Children and staff are encouraged to wear a Christmas Jumper to school instead of their school jumper in support of Save the Children. We will be donating all money collected to Save the Children – donate what you can. The jumper should be worn with usual school uniform on this day.

**Christmas at Heathfield:** Please email <u>families@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk</u> if you need anything to ensure you have a safe and happy Christmas break. Alternatively, if you would like to donate any small gifts or food for some Christmas boxes, we will gratefully receive items which we can pass to those who may need a helping hand. Heathfield's school community is growing and we can come together during these difficult times B

<u>Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December:</u> To enable us to help the kitchen with their preparations and to give them an estimation of numbers if you would like your child to have a dinner on this day, please let us know their choice of either turkey or Quorn via the school gateway app no later than **10<sup>th</sup> December**. If you are unable to access the gateway app please let the school office know your child's choice. If you do not pick a choice for your child we will assume that they will be bringing a packed lunch in from home on this day.

**Family Advent Calendar Trail:** Do you like to decorate your house and garden for Christmas? If you light up your street we would like you to be part of a family Advent Calendar Trail. Simply decorate your house and garden, collect a numbered door sign from the office by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December to display in a window visible from the street and let us mark your street on a local map so that Heathfield families can take part in our trail of the local area.

Whilst we are in Tier 3 of lockdown, families are encouraged to get out and about for daily exercise and this will be a festive trail to do together.

<u>Christmas Parties</u>: These parties will be well deserved after a fantastic Autumn Term! The children will be partying within their bubbles and will have games and a disco in the hall. Children may wear party clothes for the whole day rather than bringing them in to get changed into. Please ensure footwear is suitable for school (flat and no open toes) and clothing is suitable for the weather. Children should not wear items of jewellery which are not part of uniform policy.

- Jellyfish, Turtles and Octopus Christmas Party-Wednesday 16th December
- Hedgehogs, Owls, Squirrels and Rabbits Tuesday 15th December
- Peacocks, Eagles, Pelicans and Falcons- Christmas Party Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December
- Panthers, Pumas and Leopards Christmas Party Thursday 17th December

We are asking for a small donation of £1, which will go towards your child's party food. You can pass this to your child's teacher or to the school office.

Home Learning through Microsoft Teams: A huge thank you to all the parents/carers who have helped their children login to Microsoft Teams. Our initial aim is to use Teams to support classes that are required to self-isolate.

By introducing children to the platform now, we hope that should we find ourselves in the unfortunate position where pupils are required to self-isolate, they will be able to hit the ground running. In case you missed it, here is a link to our acceptable use policy for children when using Teams <a href="https://bit.ly/3nKofBJ">https://bit.ly/3nKofBJ</a>



**Online Age Restrictions:** With the Christmas break coming up, it is likely that children will be spending more time online. We thought it would be a good time to remind parents about the age restrictions on certain apps and games. The age restrictions are given for a reason. This is either because the content isn't appropriate for children, or that children would lack the maturity to use the app or game sensibly.

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Instagram	WhatsApp	Fortnite	TikTok	
Minimum Age: 13 Years	Minimum Age: 16 Years	Minimum Age: 12 Years	Minimum Age: 13 Years	

### Net Aware

If you are ever unsure if your child is old enough to use an app or game, Net Aware (from NSPCC) is a great website to check: <u>https://www.net-aware.org.uk</u>

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School Places for September 2021: A place in our Nursery does not guarantee a place in our F2 classes, you must apply for a school place via Nottingham City Council. All children in nursery with a date of birth between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 need to have a school place applied for. To apply online please go to https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/information-forresidents/education-and-schools/school-admissions/apply-for-a-reception-year-place-at-infantor-primary-school-or-a-year-3-place. If you need a paper copy of the application form you must contact Nottingham School Admissions on 0115 841 5568 to request one.

**School Uniform:** Unfortunately due to our suppliers having a problem with their supply chain, we have had to suspend the selling of fleeces. We will let you know when they become available to buy again.

Keep Well in Winter: Please follow this link to access the 'Keep well in winter' leaflet from the Children's Public Health 0-19 Nursing Service. Scan the QR code to see the leaflet...

**Self-Isolation Guidance:** A reminder to all parents/carers that should anyone in your house have Covid-19 symptoms or have received a positive test result, all members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days and not attend school. Please let school know if anyone in your household is selfisolating or has had a positive Covid test result using our out of hours email covidreporting@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

#### CHECK IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAS CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result. MAIN SYMPTOMS

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms. WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.

2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result - only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

Any child who is sent home from school exhibiting one or more of these symptoms should seek to get a test as soon as possible. The rest of the bubble can remain at school until notification is received of a positive Covid-19 test result. Thank you for your co-operation.

### NHS

#### If you have any coronavirus symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

Get a test and stay at home



