14TH JANUARY 2022 SCOTLAND ROAD CAMPUS



Attendance for the whole school last week was 95.1%
If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9155725

Seahorses		Dolphins	Foxes	Badgers	Hares
95.6%		94.4%	94%	97.1%	90.2%
Flamingos	Toucans 93.3%	Parrots	Lions	Tigers	Jaguars
92.8%		94.2%	99%	100%	95.9%

Congratulations to the Tigers who achieved 100% attendance and have won gold, Lions who have won silver and Badgers who won bronze.

Early Birds Breakfast Club: We are pleased to announce the reopening of our Early Birds Breakfast Club after almost 2 years! The club is completely free and will run every morning from 8:15am. There is no need to book a place, simply wait at the office door to be let in. Children will be offered a free breakfast and have the chance to socialise with their friends before starting the normal school day.



All children should enter the club by 8:30am. If you arrive after this time then you will have to wait until the gates open at 8:40am and drop your child off as normal. We are unable to serve breakfast after 8:30am as it takes time to tidy away before the start of school.

If your child attends the paid breakfast club and you wish to change your booking with them, you must give them 2 weeks' notice of any changes.

Reading at home in KS1: KS1 have recently purchased a wide selection of fully decodable reading books for children to take home which will support their Read Write Inc. Phonics learning in the classroom. Over the next few weeks, your child will come home with a book that is linked to the phonics group that they are in at school. All Book Bag Books include notes for parents and carers on how to help their child at home with phonics so please read this section to help answer any questions you might have.

We will be changing these books for children regularly so it is important that your child brings their book bag every day to allow teachers to change the books as and when required. With this in mind, please ensure your child returns the book they have been given to the school as these are an expensive resource and do need to be shared with all the children in KS1. If you have any questions about the phonics books, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be happy to help. Finally, don't forget to sign your child's rainbow reading card when you have read with them!





<u>Polite Request</u>: When dropping off and collecting your children, please don't park illegally on Scotland Road. If you park on the double yellow lines you are putting the children's safety at risk. The swimming bus is repeatedly unable to drop the children off safely.

KS2 Choir after school club: Sadly, the Young Voice concert that was taking place in February has been postponed. We are waiting for confirmation of a new date possibly around April/May time. Therefore, Choir after school club will not take place this half term and will restart after the February half term.





Year 4 PGL Residential: Monday 28th March-30th March 2022. Thank you to everyone who filled in our online form. We will be in touch to let you know if your child has secured a place. The price of the trip is £120. There will be a reduced price of £30 for children in receipt of free school meals. There is more information in the attached link https://youtu.be/MBCnMnaue_k.

<u>Parent Lite App</u>: An activation email to access the parent app at your own convenience via smartphone, tablet or PC was sent out this week. Please note that your activation email is unique to you and should not be used by anyone else. Your activation email will expire after 14 days if it is not used, please contact your school if you require a replacement after this date. If you have not received this please contact the school office so that we can check we have your correct email address on our system.

Getting started with the SIMS Parent Lite App

- 1. We will send you an activation email to the email address we have on record for you, simply click on the link from your tablet, PC or smartphone to activate your account
- 2. You can then login using your normal Facebook, Twitter, Google or Microsoft username and password
- 3. From your smartphone or tablet, download the app from the Google Play or Apple App store search for **SIMS Parent Lite**
- 4. From a PC or Windows phone, login online at www.sims-parent.co.uk



<u>Change of menu</u>: On Thursday, 20st January, we will be having a special Gruffalo menu. There will be 2 choices on the day: Hunters Chicken or a Vegetarian all-day breakfast.

Meals will cost £2.15 for children in Nursery and KS2 who are not in receipt of free school meals. Children in Dolphins, Foxes, Badgers and Hares will not have to pay as they are part of the government's universal free school meal scheme.

If your child is a Seahorse, please inform the office or a member of the Nursery staff of your child's dinner choice for that day. All other children can tell their teacher at morning register on Thursday.

<u>Friday Rainbow Club</u>: The same criteria applies for entry to Rainbow Club this half term, if your circumstances haven't changed your child will stay on the register. If your circumstances have changed and you need your child to join the club, please speak to the office. If you no longer require your child to attend and you can collect them at 12:50pm then please speak to the office and the registers can be updated. Friday is still a school day and the children receive 2 register marks. Friday attendance has dropped recently so remember your child is missing 3 hours of quality learning time if you do not bring them to school on Fridays.

<u>Uniform Reminder:</u> Over the last few weeks there have been less and less children in the correct uniform. Please remind yourself of our expectations.

School Uniform	PE kit	
 White, pale/navy blue or yellow polo t-shirt Navy, grey or black trousers, skirt or dress Navy blue jumper, cardigan or school fleece 	Plain white t-shirtBlack joggers, leggings or shortsBlack jumper or hoody	
Black shoes NO novelty hairbands (unicorn horns/cat ears etc)	 Trainers NO football kits NO colourful tracksuits NO denim NO badges or Logos 	

There is no expectation that the uniform is purchased from school; supermarkets have affordable alternatives. However, we do expect the <u>correct uniform colours</u>.

We have lots of lost property around school so please ensure all items of clothing are named. Thank You!

Covid protocols at Heathfield

Pupils, parents / carers and any visitors, such as suppliers, are informed not to enter the school if they are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus:

- o a new, continuous cough
- or a high temperature
- or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

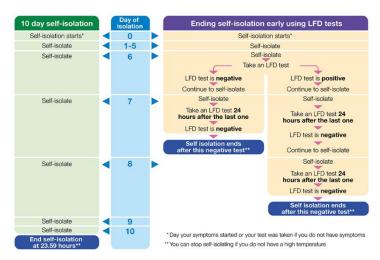
If anyone in the school becomes unwell with:

- o a new, continuous cough
- o **or** a high temperature
- or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

they must:

- o be sent home and advised to follow <u>'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection'</u>, which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus.
- Their self-isolation may end early with:

 a negative PCR test or two negative LFD tests on days 6 and 7 (or later). This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parent or carer discretion. (subject to change again next week)



If you are not fully vaccinated and are a close contact of a positive case then you should self-isolate for 10 days. Please try to find an alternative person to bring your child to school if you are having to isolate. Thanks.

The Government may be reducing the isolation period even further for those who are fully vaccinated next week to 5 days with a negative lateral flow result on day 5 and day 6. We will update this guidance next week.

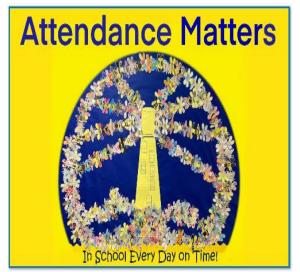
Whilst the Government keep changing their rules, Heathfield have been putting the same safety measures in place since March 2020.

- Children are required to wash their hands regularly, maintain distance where possible and to ensure they are being considerate of others.
- Staff are continuing to teach safely and have ventilation in the classrooms, cleaning regimes between shared resources being used and generally stay in their phase bubbles.
- Lunchtime staff work hard to ensure tables are thoroughly cleaned between sittings for all children's safety.
- School continues to operate a ONE-WAY system in the morning and home time and most parents/carers observe this. Please continue to maintain a social distance whilst on the school site and wear a face covering if you are unable to maintain a distance.

All pupils are expected to achieve the attendance target of at least 96.5%

Holidays in Term Time Will Not Be Authorised

Families taking a holiday during term time are at risk of legal action and/or a Penalty Notice being issued



Attendance

Did you know that...

- 1 day off in a school week will mean that your child will only achieve 80% attendance for that week?
- 5 days of absence in a 6-week half term means that your child will only achieve 83.4% for the half term!
- Attendance below 90% means that your child is in the persistent absentee category and could result in a referral for legal action to be considered!

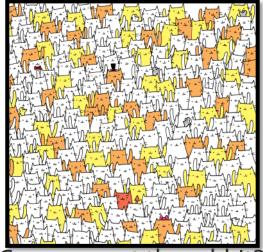
Contacting school on the first day of your child's absence prevents unnecessary texts or phone calls being made and avoids staff having to carry out a home visit.

Poor attendance is considered a safeguarding concern.

Please help us to get all pupils into school every day and on time!

Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

This half term we are focusing on our well-being area of



Can you spot the rabbit?

'Take notice'

Be curious. Catch sight of the beautiful. Remark on the unusual. Notice the changing seasons. Savor the moment, whether you are walking to school, eating lunch or talking to friends. Be aware of the world around you and what you are feeling; reflecting on your thoughts and feelings may help you to identify and be aware of why you may be feeling a certain way.

This week we have tasked our pupils to take notice of others being kind and to share their names with staff so we can celebrate their kind acts. Have you ever noticed how helping or doing things for other makes you feel good?

Non-Uniform Day Competition: To try and encourage as many parents as possible to read our newsletter, each week we will be adding a link, to a VERY quick survey, at the end of the newsletter. Once you have read the newsletter, click the link, add your name and click on your child/children's class. The class that has the highest percentage of parents/carers read the newsletter will win a non-uniform day the following Friday! Winner will be announced in Monday's assembly!

Here is the link: https://forms.office.com/r/0jvwnEYrVz