

4TH FEBRUARY 2022

SCOTLAND ROAD CAMPUS

Attendance for the whole school last week was 87.7%

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9155725

Seahorses 81.9%		Dolphins 92%	Foxes 89%	Badgers 90.3%	Hares 96.1%
Flamingos 84.6%	Toucans 81.3%	Parrots 93.8%	Lions 86.4%	Tigers 85.1%	Jaguars 82.2%

Congratulations to the Hares who achieved 96.1% attendance and have won gold, Parrots who have won silver and Dolphins who won bronze.

February Half Term: Next **Friday 11th February** we break up for February half term. School reopens as normal on **Monday 21st February**.

What's Been Happening in School:

<p>Year 1 & 2</p>	<p>In English this week year 1 and 2 are using what they learnt last week about dinosaurs to write a non-fiction text about a type of dinosaur. They focused on adding key vocabulary and up leveling their sentences.</p> <p>In Maths year 1 have been looking at place value of numbers up to 50; while also practicing their number formation. In year 2 we focused on statistics and looked at pictograms and tally charts.</p> <p>In Topic this week the children began designing their 3D dinosaur habitats. They also learnt about who Marry Anning is and the fossils she found.</p>
<p>Year 3 & 4</p>	<p>In English this week year 3 and 4 have been writing their non-chronological reports about water in Africa. They focused on different aspects each day including the links between water and diseases, access to water across Africa and new inventions that are changing lives in rural communities.</p> <p>In Maths, year 3 have been looking at problem solving with division. Year 4 have been finishing their unit on decimals and looking at times tables facts</p> <p>In topic this week, the children have been making and decorating their African masks based on the designs of different traditional masks from tribes across Africa.</p>
<p>Year 5 & 6</p>	<p>In English this week, Y5&6 have focused on including a balance of speech, action and description in their narrative writing. The children had a virtual visit from Thomas Taylor (the author of Malamander) where they learnt about what inspired him to write children's literature.</p> <p>In Maths, Y5s have started their new unit fractions; they have considered what an equivalent fraction is. Y6s have been completing tests: this will enable us to plan for their support over the upcoming half term. In Topic this week, the children have learnt about the different types of passengers on the Titanic and created a bibliography about their chosen person. This included details about their class, why they were on board and their thoughts about the Titanic.</p>

Dolphins and Year 6 Height and Weight Checks:

If your child is in the Dolphins class or Year 6, they will have been given a letter for you regarding the school nurse's visit on Tuesday 1st March.

Every year the height and weight of Reception and Year 6 children in schools in England is measured. This is called the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). It is important to know how children are growing so that we can provide the best support. Trained health staff from Nottingham CityCare Partnership carry out the measurements. Children are measured in a private space away from other children and will be fully clothed only taking off their shoes and coats.

Children will not be made to take part on the day if they do not want to. If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your child to be measured, please tell your school as soon as possible. Thank you for your support with this important programme.



Year 3 and 4 Assembly Showcase: Year 3 and 4 classes are inviting parent and carers to watch their assembly showcase. They will be sharing their learning from this past half term with you. There will be art activities to join in with, plus recipes to take home and try.

2.45pm-3.30pm.

Tuesday 8th February – Parrots

Wednesday 9th February – Flamingos

Thursday 10th February - Toucans



Polite Request: We have new bike racks by the table tennis table which are for bikes only. Scooters are to be left behind the green shed on the KS2 yard please.

Coming Soon: My Cultural Box

Over the coming months each child will be asked to create a cultural box to share with their class. Teachers will send out more information when it is your child's turn to share their Cultural Box.



No Nut Zone: A severe nut allergy can be life threatening. Since we have several children in school who suffer from a severe nut allergy, it is essential that children who have an allergy do not come into contact with nuts or nut products. With this in mind we ask that all parents and carers follow our 'No Nuts in School' rule.

We ask that parents are particularly vigilant with pre-wrapped foods and spreads. Please check the ingredients before sending these to school.

MAGNA Trip - Year 5&6: On Tuesday 22nd February 2022, Year 5&6 will be visiting MAGNA Science Adventure Centre in Sheffield. This visit has been organised with the aim of supporting the science work that children have been learning about in Year 5&6 this year. Children will have time to explore the interactive, hands-on exhibits (Air, Earth, Fire and Water) as well as each class taking part in an interactive workshop.

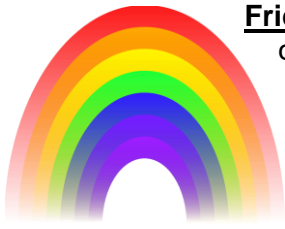
School will be paying for the majority of the costs for this trip, however, we are asking for a £5 contribution which can be paid via the school gateway app. More information has been sent home on a letter with your child.



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!





Friday Rainbow Club: 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.

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. We are, unfortunately unable to accommodate nursery children.



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.

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 Matters

Attendance

Did you know that...

- + **1 day off** in a school week will mean that your child has only achieved **80%** attendance that week?
- + **5 days of absence** in a 6-week half term means that your child has only achieved **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 to the local authority 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

'Take notice'



Ways to Take Notice:

In our busy daily lives, we rarely take time to stop, pay attention to what is going on right now, and appreciate the world around us. It may be difficult to know how to begin to take notice. A good place to start is with our five senses: smell, sight, hearing, touch and taste.

Senses

Suggested activity: Take a seat somewhere comfortable. Then, spend a few minutes noticing:

- Five things you can see
- Four things you can touch
- Three things you can hear
- Two things you can smell
- One thing you can taste

Uniform Reminder: 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• White, pale/navy blue or yellow polo t-shirt• Navy, grey or black trousers, skirt or dress• Navy blue jumper, cardigan or school fleece• Black shoes NO novelty hairbands (unicorn horns/cat ears etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plain white t-shirt• Black joggers, leggings or shorts• Black jumper or hoody• Trainers NO football kits NO colourful tracksuits NO denim NO badges or Logos

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:

- 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:

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

they must:

- be sent home and advised to follow '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)', 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 5 and 6 (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.

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/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RGw8iocv6kquk_8WueyVImIrfDJ-MwJLjosHM5wMk6hUMU04NjFSMUxCR0ZaMU9CWlc4TVhGVlYxNC4u