



**Attendance for the whole school for last week was 95%**

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

<b>Seahorses</b> 91.2%		<b>Dolphins</b> 97.1%	<b>Foxes</b> 93.8%	<b>Badgers</b> 96.3%	<b>Hares</b> 95%
<b>Flamingos</b> 93.1%	<b>Toucans</b> 94.4%	<b>Parrots</b> 94.6%	<b>Lions</b> 94.6%	<b>Tigers</b> 97.6%	<b>Jaguars</b> 96.2%

Congratulations to the Tigers who achieved 97.6% attendance and have won gold, Dolphins who have won silver and Badgers who have won bronze.

We break up next Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April for our Easter Break. All children should return to school on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

**What's Been Happening in School:**

<b>Year 1 &amp; 2</b>	<p>This week KS1 had their trip to Conkers we had been looking forward to this trip and we had such a fantastic time! We will be writing about our trip in English next week.</p> <p>In English this week Y1&amp;2 have been completing their innovation on the story 'The Owl Who's Afraid of the Dark' we changed the characters in our own writing.</p> <p>In Maths this week Y1 have been learning about weight and looking at which items are the heaviest and lightest. Y2 have been working on fractions by finding a quarters and thirds.</p> <p>In Topic this week we all designed our hand puppets that we will be stitching next week.</p>
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4</b>	<p>This week in English, year 3 &amp; 4 have been looking at features of instructions and using them to prepare for writing instructions for their video games next week.</p> <p>In Maths, Year 3 &amp; 4 have both been working out fractions of amounts.</p> <p>In Topic, the children have been designing potential covers for their video game boxes, voting for their favourite and drawing their final design. The children have continued to code different games on the iPads.</p>
<b>Year 5 &amp; 6</b>	<p>In English Y5&amp;6 have included language features (such as semi-colons, relative clauses, adverbials and parenthesis) to make their travel guide persuasive. We have also started looking at our final writing unit for this half term: a narrative about Pandora's Box. In Maths, Y5s have finished their final fractions lessons, by working out how to find the fraction of an amount and how to times a mixed number by a fraction. In Friday Maths lessons, Y6s have looked at different methods to work out algebraic calculations by using the inverse. In Topic, Y5&amp;6 have used clay to create Greek inspired pottery -</p>



**Time to get creative with our Heathfield Easter Traditions!** Each year EYFS and KS1 children are invited to create an Easter bonnet for a parade at the end of this term and KS2 children can enter a painted egg competition. These showcase the talents of our children (and parents) and are enjoyed by many!

If you would like your child to take part, the EYFS/KS1 bonnet parade will be on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April and the KS2 Eggstravaganza entries should be brought into school on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April for the competition judging.

**Midday Supervisor Vacancies:** We have Midday Supervisor vacancies across both of our campuses working for one hour and 25 minutes per day between 11:30am and 1:30pm. If you or anyone you know are interested in these please collect an application form from the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.



**Library service consultation:** Please click on the link below to respond to a consultation on the future of the library service in Nottingham. This may have an impact on the library in Basford - <https://bit.ly/3ulQyeo>

**GREEK MENU**  
MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022



**SOUTZOUKAKIA**  
GREEK BEEF MEATBALLS IN TOMATO SAUCE WITH RICE  
OR  
**VEGGIE GYROS**  
HALLOUMI CHEESE AND SALAD PITTA POCKETS WITH FRIES

WITH

GREEK SALAD

**DESSERT**  
HONEY CAKE  
OR  
FRESH FRUIT AND YOGHURT

 

**Change of menu:** On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March, we will be having a special Greek menu. There will be 2 choices on the day: Meatballs in tomato sauce or cheese and salad pitta pockets.

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.

**Congratulations:** Well done to the Scotland Road football team who had their first match win last night. It's coming home!

**Red Nose Day 2022:** Thanks to everyone who supported Red Nose day this year, we raised a total of £420.68



**Keeping Well This Spring:** Follow this link for an information leaflet from your Children's Public Health 0-19 Nursing Service, April 2022 'Keeping well this Spring'  
<https://bit.ly/3NvsXkz>

**Friday Rainbow Club:** The same criteria apply 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



**Early Birds Breakfast Club:** 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.

**Website Photographs:** We would like to start including photographs of the children on our website to showcase the learning they are doing in school.

**Please update your website photo consent using this link:** <https://forms.office.com/r/rr0A3mxD7p>

## Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

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



Giving, in all its forms, not only benefits those you help, but also instils feelings of improved well-being. Studies have shown that giving is helpful for combating stress and anxiety and also serves to keep you mentally stimulated, improve your self-confidence and provide you with a sense of purpose. From supporting a charity, to helping a friend or just passing on a smile, being kind can improve our mood and build our self-esteem and happiness

There are so many ways to help others as part of our everyday lives. Good deeds needn't take much time or cost any money.

### Attendance Matters!

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



#### Friday Attendance

Did you know that **essential learning happens every Friday** and not bringing your child to school at the end of the week will have a serious impact on their learning and attainment!

##### Key Stage 1: years 1 & 2

- ✚ Spelling and phonic tests are done on Friday as well as the big write of the week. It is also the day when they learn a stand-alone unit of maths; missing these lessons each week means your child is missing out on an entire unit of the curriculum area.

##### Lower Key stage 2: years 3 & 4

- ✚ English, Reading and Maths are all taught in morning slot, so missing the Friday morning means missing core subjects. This means your child will have to catch up on Monday while also trying to complete the next sequence of learning.
- ✚ Friday maths lessons are a stand-alone unit and it was clear on the recent maths papers who had missed these units of the curriculum.
- ✚ Homework is also given out on Fridays.

##### Upper Key Stage 2: years 5 & 6

- ✚ Homework is handed out on Fridays so those not attending don't get their homework. Those that complete the homework weekly appear to make more progress than those who do not.
- ✚ A different unit of maths is taught on Fridays; missing these lessons each week means missing out on an entire unit of the curriculum area.
- ✚ Children with poor attendance are often behind the rest of the year group in reading, writing and maths.

Please remember to contact school on the first day of your child's absence, this 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!

# Free Fun and Food – Easter

Our Easter holiday activities are on again and places can be booked on [Ask Lion](http://asklion.co.uk) Attached is a flyer with full details.

# FREE Fun and Food!



This Easter school holiday, pupils entitled to Free School Meals can receive:

1. Weekly £15 supermarket e-vouchers. Ask your school for details.
2. Holiday Activity Clubs in venues across Nottingham. Free food provided.

Book your place: [www.asklion.co.uk/funandfood](http://www.asklion.co.uk/funandfood)

Some places are available for pupils who aren't eligible for Free School Meals.



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## Covid protocols at Heathfield

Although there is no longer the legal requirement to self-isolate, a child with any of the main COVID-19 symptoms should order a PCR test and will not be allowed to attend school while awaiting the result or if the subsequent result is positive. Children with symptoms who do not obtain a PCR test must remain away from school.

Parents/carers will still be asked to collect their child if they develop symptoms whilst at school

In these cases, children must stay away from school for 5 full days and may return after if they obtain 2 negative lateral flow test results on consecutive days, or after a total of 10 full days after the symptoms started, but only if they feel well.

The three main symptoms remain:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Children should continue to attend school if they have not tested positive for COVID-19 and are well enough to do so. Children who are at home should access remote learning, therefore please inform school when your child is well enough to engage in their learning.

Furthermore, it is no longer advised that pupil close contacts need to test daily for 7 days and pupils in mainstream secondary schools will not be expected to continue taking part in regular asymptomatic testing. However, the school may be advised by our local public health team to recommend lateral flow device (LFD) tests to manage an outbreak.

Please be reassured that for most children, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, at Heathfield we will continue to: observe good hand hygiene; cleaning regimes; ventilation requirements and other measures to manage the risk of transmission. Your continued support and co-operation are appreciated.

**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/xiVNLHDvuS>