HEATHFIELD NEWS

4TH MARCH 2022 SCOTLAND ROAD CAMPUS



Attendance for the whole school last week was 92% 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 94.6%	
92.9%		95.5%	88.5%	94.4%		
Flamingos	Toucans	Parrots	Lions	Tigers	Jaguars	
91.5%	86.7%	91.2%	90%	91.2%	94.4%	

Congratulations to the Dolphins who achieved 95.5% attendance and have won gold, Hares who have won silver and Badgers who have won bronze.

<u>Website Photographs:</u> 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

What's Been Happening in School:

Year 1 & 2	In English this week, Y1&2 have been working on a character description of Percy. They have been focusing on including noun phases and expanded noun phrases in their writing. In Maths this week Y1&2 have been working on their tests. In Topic this week the children drew woodland creatures and used pastels to colour them in. We also read a book 'My mouth is a volcano' and used it to discuss strategies for dealing with impulsive behavior and how to get along with our peers.
Year 3 & 4	In English, Year 3&4 have been writing up their narrative adventure as a Troofriend with themselves, which has been a lot of fun. They have focused on including expanded noun phrases and direct speech as well as trying to write in the style of an android. Y3&4 have worked really hard on their tests this week! In Topic, they have been designing their own video game and using the iPads to have a go at designing the setting for their game. In Science, the children investigated and built their own electrical circuits.
Year 5 & 6	In English this week, Y5&6 have written a non-chronological report about a Greek mythological creature. The have focused on including relative clauses and the passive voice, to help make their writing formal. Y5s have started learning about fractions that are larger than one whole. They have used their previous knowledge of equivalent fractions to order and compare fractions larger than one whole. Y6s have completed arithmetic and SATs style questions, in preparation for their upcoming tests. In topic, the children have created a model of a Greek building (the Parthenon) and considered its historical significance to Greek culture. Also, they have identified where Greece is on a map of the World and Europe. To celebrate the 25 th anniversary of World Book Day, Y5&6 children have created a timeline about literature which has inspired them throughout their lifetime.

KS1 TRIP TO CONKERS! On Wednesday March 23rd children in Foxes,

Badgers and **Hares** will be going on a trip to Conkers Adventure Park to bring their topic 'Into the Woods' to an end. We have arranged for the children to



have two ranger led activities on the day and full access to the all the other areas of the park. We will be leaving school at 9.15am and returning to school at the slightly later time of 4.30pm to allow the children to experience as much of the park as possible.

Whilst the full cost of the trip, including transport, is £16 per child, we are only asking for a parent contribution of £3 per child. You can give your consent for this trip and pay via the Schoolgateway app. If you are unable to access the app on your phone you can access can via the website www.schoolgateway.com

Children will need suitable outdoor clothing for the day and a packed lunch that should be in a rucksack they can carry. If you would like your child to have a school packed lunch provided you will be able to order this on the app when you provide your consent.

Further details will be sent out nearer the time. If you would like to volunteer as a parent helper on the day, please see your child's class teacher.



RED NOSE DAY IS BACK!

It will be Red Nose Day on Friday

18th March!

As a school we will be asking

pupils to dress up in something red

and/or something stripy. We would

also like to encourage pupils to

come to school wearing odd shoes.

We are asking for a voluntary £1 donation for this non-school uniform day to help raise money for comic relief.

<u>Nursery:</u> If you wish to apply for a 30 hour (full-time) placement in our nursery from April 20122 you will need to apply online via the Childcare Choices Website (www.childcarechoices.gov.uk). If you are eligible you will need to bring your 11-digit code to the school office to register your interest. Full-time places will be allocated to nursery children who will have their 4th birthday between 1st September 2021 and 31stAugust 2022. Please apply as soon as possible. Full-time places are limited and will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis.



<u>Household Support Shopping Vouchers:</u> Everyone is worried about the rising cost of living and soaring energy bills – but these hard times are felt most keenly by those who are already struggling to cope. Supermarket evouchers worth £50 are still available from the council, on a first come first served basis, for people in Nottingham who claim **Council Tax Support**. Once approved, the e-vouchers are sent straight to you by text message within three working days.

The City Council has secured the e-vouchers through the Government's Household Support Grant. In these difficult financial times of rising household costs, we want to make sure help is given to those who need it most. Click here to find out more: www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/HouseholdSupportVouchers

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 school on Fridays.

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.

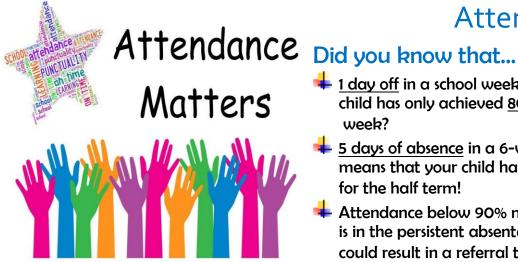


All children should enter the club by 8:30am. If you arrive after this time then you will have to wait until the gates open at 8:40am and drop your child off as normal. We are unable to serve breakfast after 8:30am as it takes time to tidy away before the start of school. If your child attends the paid breakfast club and you wish to change your booking with them, you must give them 2 weeks' notice of any changes.

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



for legal action to be considered!

Attendance

- 丰 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

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!

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 nonuniform day the following Friday! Winner will be announced in Monday's assembly!

Here is the link: https://forms.office.com/r/m8tpccZUVe

Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

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





Kindness makes children happier, can help to reduced stress levels, and helps improve their self-esteem. Kind actions activate the joyful area of the brain, and boosts well-being.

Being kind is likely to make someone smile and if you see that smile for yourself, it might be catchy.

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.