



Dear Parents/Carers

We just wanted to take this opportunity to say welcome back and introduce ourselves and our new Senior Leadership Team. With our large school split across two campuses, it is a big job for just one Headteacher so the Governing Body chose to appoint us as Co-Headteachers. This allows us to work in partnership across both campuses. Please come and introduce yourself to us on the playgrounds in the morning or afternoons, if we haven't met already. We are being ably supported by three new Deputy Head Teachers, Mr Padley, Mrs Abasspour and Mr Battison, who will also be working across both sites focusing on a specific area of school life.

Having both worked at Heathfield for many years, we have already helped to shape Heathfield's vision, values and aims and we are confident that the new leadership structure will fully meet Heathfield's needs and supports us achieving our ambitions for the school. We are relaunching our Heathfield Pledge as the basis for all that we do in school. You will become very familiar with the elements of the Pledge as the term progresses.

As the year begins, both Scotland Road and Kersall Drive are looking great; our site staff have been very busy over the summer supervising a range of improvements and decoration at both sites, most notably a new hall floor at Scotland Road.

The children have had a fantastic start to the new year and look smart in their uniforms. Attendance has been close to our target and this can only improve further with your support. We have both been really pleased how quickly the pupils have settled back into school and it has been lovely to have them all together for assemblies for the first time since the start of the pandemic in March 2020.

We are really looking forward to the new chapter for Heathfield and excited for the year ahead.

Miss Dickens and Mr Hicks – Co-Headteachers



Miss Dickens
Co-Headteacher



Mr Hicks
Co-Headteacher



Mr Padley
Deputy Head
Teaching and Learning



Mr Battison
Deputy Head
Pastoral Support



Mrs Abasspour
Deputy Head
Inclusion

What's Been Happening in School:

Year 1 & 2	<p>Badgers, Foxes and Hares have all had a fantastic first week and we are so proud of how brilliantly they have settled in. The children are getting used to their new routines and have been enjoying Phonics, Maths and Reading in their new groups.</p> <p>Our Maths topic is place value. Year 1 are focusing on their numbers up to 10. They have been counting carefully and practising forming their numbers. Year 2 are focusing on the place value of 2-digit numbers up to 100. They have been recognising tens and ones.</p> <p>For Book Week each class has enjoyed focusing on a different text. Badgers read 'Max and the Tag-Along Moon' by Floyd Cooper. Foxes focused on 'The Day You Begin' by Jacqueline Woodson. Hares looked at 'Sulwe' by Lupita Nyong'o.</p>
Year 3 & 4	<p>Year 3 & 4 have had a fabulous first week back at school and they have settled in wonderfully. All three classes have been enjoying their book week. Flamingos have read 'The Legend of Podkin One-Ear' by Kieran Larwood. Parrots focused on 'The Girl Who lost a Leopard' by Nizrana Farook. Toucans have looked at 'The Girl Who Stole an Elephant' by Nizrana Farook. The children have carried out a range of activities and artwork based on their respective book. In Y3 Maths, the children have been looking at place value using base 10 and place value counters. In Y4 Maths, the children have focused on place value and different representations of 4-digit numbers.</p>
Year 5 & 6	<p>All the Y5&6 children have amazed staff with their fantastic attitude towards learning on their first week back at school! They have settled in with their new teachers and immersed themselves within their class book week. Tigers have read 'Ghost Boys' by Jewell Parker Rhodes. Lions have looked at 'Front Desk' by Kelly Yang. Jaguars have explored 'The Boy Who Met a Whale' by Nizrana Farook. The children have completed a range of lessons and artwork based on these books.</p> <p>In Y5 maths, we have looked at the place value of numbers up to 10,000 and discussed how we can use a range of manipulatives to be resourceful. Y6s have discussed expectations for the upcoming year and have learnt about the place value of numbers up to 10,000,000.</p>

PE DAYS: On their class' PE day could children please attend school in their PE kit.

Monday	Lions, Tigers, Jaguars, Dolphins, Whales
Tuesday	Parrots, Toucans, Flamingos
Wednesday	Lions, Tigers, Jaguars
Thursday	Hares, Foxes, Badgers
Friday	Parrots, Toucans, Flamingos

Parent conduct around school: Polite reminder regarding conduct around school. Unfortunately, there have been a few incidents recently of parents speaking inappropriately towards other parents and members of staff. This is not acceptable and no one should accept this.

If there is a problem, or you are unhappy about something, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be happy to speak to you to help resolve the issues. However, if any parent/carer is displaying inappropriate behaviour, they run the risk of being banned from the school.

We understand that problems that concern our children can be troubling or worrying, but displaying aggression is not the approach to take. Thank you for your continued support

Reception Welcome meeting: The Whales and Dolphins welcome meeting will be on Tuesday 20th September at 3:20pm in the EYFS unit. We would love you to come and see your new classroom.

Year 1&2 Welcome meeting: The Foxes, Badgers and Hares welcome meeting will be on the 14th September at 3:20pm in the Hares classroom. If you are unable to attend, a virtual video showing the PowerPoint and discussing key things for the phase will also be sent out.

Year 3&4 Welcome meeting: Monday 19th September 2022 Parents/Carers of children in the Flamingos, Toucans and Parrots are invited to the Year 3 and 4 Welcome Meeting. You will find out more about routines, curriculum, trips and frequently asked questions and will last about half an hour. A welcome video showing the same information will also be available for those of you who are unable to attend. We will post the link onto the following weeks' newsletter. Thank you.

Year 5&6 Welcome meeting: The Lions, Tigers and Jaguars welcome meeting will be on the 15th September at 3:20pm in the Lions classroom. If you are unable to attend, a virtual video showing the PowerPoint and discussing key things for the phase will also be sent out.

DAaRT (Life skills)

A reminder to year 5 parents that all year 5 children will be starting the DAaRT (Drug, alcohol and resilience) programme on Wednesday (14th September) for 10 weeks. You should have received a separate letter regarding this before the summer holidays. We will send it out again via text – please contact your child's teacher via class email or in person if you have any issues regarding this.

Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots Launch Day: On Friday 23rd September 2022, we will be having a Numbots/TTRockstar launch day! They are apps children will use in school, and at home, to help their number fluency. On the day we will make sure all children have their logins and usernames and will be reminded how to use the apps. The children will then have their login to use at home and regular practise will boost your child's number fluency. **We hope you will help us get into the spirit by sending your child dressed up as a Robot or Rockstar to celebrate - the crazier the better!**



Y6 Secondary open evenings

See below a list of dates for secondary school open days/evenings that all year 6 pupils and their parents are welcome to attend:

15th September 6:30 – 8:30 – Redhill Academy

10th September 10:00 – Ellis Guilford open morning

27th September 18:00 - Djanogly City (Sherwood Rise)

Saturday 24th September – Senior School Open day (Nottingham High School)

Tuesday 4th October – Y7 Taster Day (Nottingham High School)

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.



REMINDER: School changes from September:

- The new school day will be 8:45am – **3:15pm**
- Early Birds will still begin at 8:15am
- Afterschool club (paid session) will end at 5:45pm

Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations – Tuesday 4th October It is now time for your child's yearly flu nasal spray! The free seasonal flu spray is offered to all children and young people in Reception and Year 1-Year 6 classes. Even if your child received this last year it is recommended, they have it again this year or they won't be protected. It is more important than ever to reduce the number of those becoming ill with flu this winter to help protect them and the NHS.

You must complete one online consent form for each of your children. It is important every child has a completed form which states if you would like them to receive the flu vaccination spray or not. The online consent form can be found through this link

<https://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

The school code for Scotland Campus is NG122442S. Online consent will close at 3pm the working day before vaccination session.

If you decide you want to withdraw consent you must email sais@nottshc.nhs.uk at least 24 hours before our school vaccination session is due. The nasal spray may not be suitable for some children, for more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu or pick up a leaflet from the school office.

Please note: If any of the following happen after completing this form you must contact the School Aged Immunisation Service: if your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, has started steroid tablets for asthma or has had this vaccination anywhere else.

If you have any questions or need support to complete the consent form, please contact 07920182032 or email sais@nottshc.nhs.uk

Edwards & Blake school meal price increase: A reminder that from September 2022 meal prices will be as follows:

- For children in full time nursery the price will increase from £2.15 to £2.20 per meal. This means that the weekly cost for a child in nursery will be **£11.00** per week.
- For children in KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) the price will increase from £2.15 to £2.25 per meal. This means that the weekly cost will now rise to **£11.25**. Children who are in KS2 from September 2022, unless entitled to Free School Meals, will need to pay for school dinners.

We have always endeavored to make our parents and carers aware that they may be able to claim FREE school meals. If you feel that you are entitled to free school meals then you must fill in a Pupil Benefits form which is available from the school office. This will be sent to the Pupil Benefits Department at Nottingham City Council where it will be assessed. Dinner money will still need to be paid until an outcome is received.

Thank You: Thanks to everybody who has already helped us in our quest to find the errors on our 'welcome display' If anybody hasn't had a chance to give us their feedback and would like to, please use the link below to report any mistakes that you spot on the images below. You can also use this form to give any other feedback you would like to share. Thank you. <https://forms.office.com/r/H7KbYSuh3J>



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 or an unauthorised Leave of Absence during term time are at risk of legal action and/or a Penalty Notice being issued



Attendance

- ✚ It is the parents' responsibility to contact school on the first day of their child's absence
- ✚ School will attempt to contact parents by text or telephone if the reason of absence has not been reported by 9.20am
- ✚ If school has not been informed of a child's absence by the following day, then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised
- ✚ If a child is absent for 3 or more days, a home visit may be carried out and parents could be asked to provide medical documentation to support the absence

Did you know that...

- ✚ 1 day off in a school week will mean that your child has only achieved 80% attendance that week?
- ✚ 1 day of absence in a 6-week half term means that your child will only achieved 96%, 2 days absence will result in 93.3% and 3 days of absence will mean that your child falls into the persistent absent category with only 90% attendance!
- ✚ Attendance below 90% could result in a referral for legal action to be considered!

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

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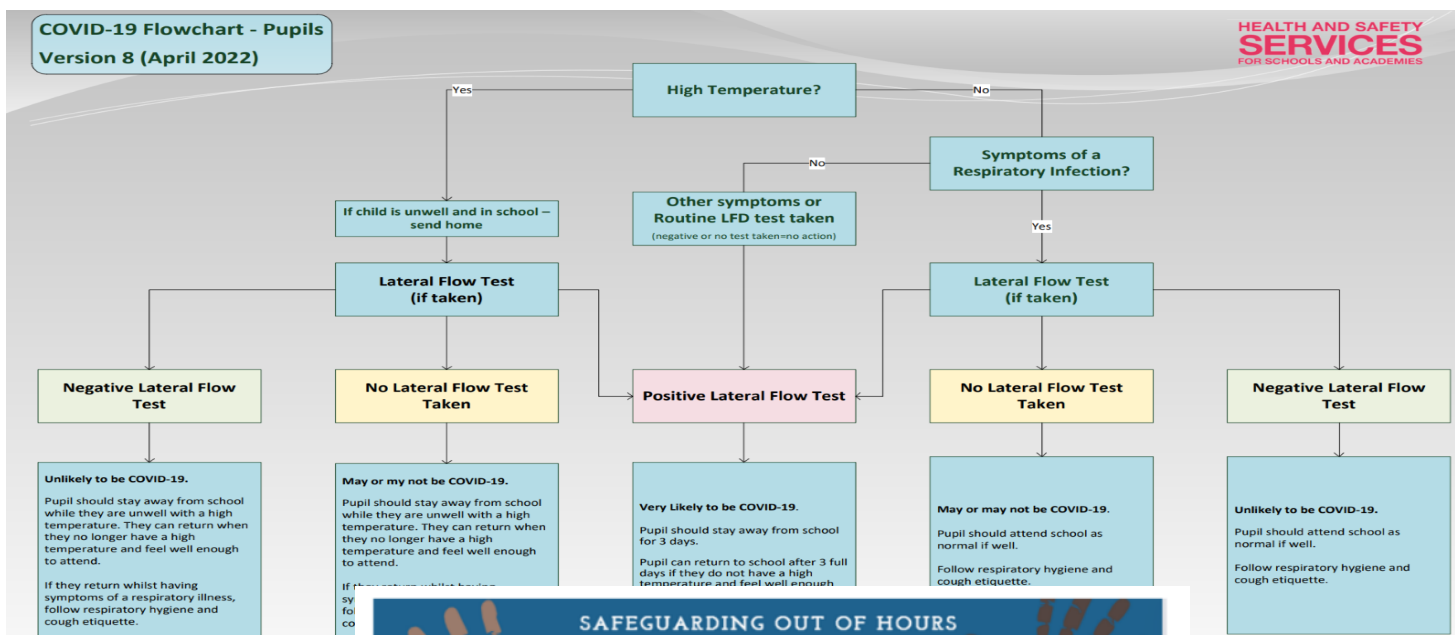
This week each class has engaged in activities that promote a sense of belonging, build and strengthen relationships and friendships, getting to know each other in the new class and finding out interesting things about each other.

Humans are sociable beings, being around others and spending time with our friends and families is really important for our well-being and positive mental.

Why not start a conversation with your child about the important people in their life and things that you can do to connect with others.

Covid Protocols

Please follow this flow chart from the Local Authority in regards to your child's absence related to Covid 19 or other respiratory infections:



SAFEGUARDING OUT OF HOURS

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD?

IF SCHOOL IS NOT OPEN WHO CAN YOU SPEAK TO?

Police 999 or 101

If you believe that a child is at immediate risk and in need of protection then you should call the Police 999 immediately.

Alternatively, if you feel the child is a risk of abuse or neglect, but not in immediate need of protection, you should call the Police on 101.

Nottingham City Children's Social Care 0115 8764800

If you make the decision to contact Children's Social Care please call 0115 876 4800 or e-mail casdirect@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Talk to the NSPCC

For advice and support about a child, or to report a concern, talk to us. It's free and you don't have to say who you are.

0808 800 5000

help@nspcc.org.uk nspcc.org.uk/helpline

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

School out of hours email: safeguarding@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk