# HEATHFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL



### 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

KERSALL DRIVE CAMPUS

#### Attendance for the whole school for the week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> September was 94.1%

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Jellyfish AM, PM and FT 97.3%		Turtles 93.9%	Octopus 92.9%
Hedgehogs 88.9%	Owls 94.9%	Squirrels 93.3%	Rabbits 86.7%
Peacocks 97.3%	Eagles 100%	Pelicans 91.7%	Falcons 97.4%
Panthers 91.4%	Cougars 97.7%	Pumas 93.8%	Leopards 93.2%

Congratulations to the Eagles who achieved 100% attendance and have won Gold, Cougars who have achieved Silver and Falcons who have achieved Bronze certificates.

#### Key Dates:

- Last day of half term Friday 14th October 2022
- First day of the next half term Monday 31st October 2022

#### What's on this Week at Kersall Drive:

Monday 3rd	Tuesday 4th	Wednesday 5th	Thursday 6th	Friday 7th
Complete our	Flu vaccinations –		Special Goose Fair	
'Settling Back'	please complete		Menu	
questionnaire	consent by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct		Harvest Festival for	
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#### What's Been Happening in School:

Year 1 & 2	This week in English Year 1 and 2 have been looking at the story ' <b>Cinderboy</b> '. They have been looking at adjectives and describing the characters in the story. We have also created a text map to help us orally retell the story. In Maths Year 1 have been consolidating comparing numbers using stem sentences less than, more than and equal to. Year 2 have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s forwards and backwards. They have been creating sequences of numbers and spotting mistakes. In Topic, the children have been creating their fairy tale puppets and will be filming their class stories next week. In Science we have been looking at weather symbols and have been recording the weather and spotting patterns.
Year 3 & 4	This week in Year 3 and 4, we have been continuing our work with the ' <b>Iron Man' book</b> in which the children have been writing positive and negative setting descriptions - the children have loved exploring new vocabulary, describing settings with suitable adjectives and finding interesting and exciting ways to set the scenes! In Maths, Year 3s have been comparing and ordering three digit numbers using different symbols whilst Year 4 have been finding 1000 more or less. In Topic, we have been continuing our work with <b>Incredibles Inventions</b> in which the children have been learning about famous scientists, innovative inventions and how to stay safe online.
Year 5 & 6	This week, Year 5/6 have been using their ever-developing vocabulary to complete their positive and negative setting descriptions based on our book for this term, <b>The Last Wild by Piers Torday</b> . In Year 5 Maths, the children have been learning about negative numbers and the year 6s have been practicing their column addition and subtraction skills and using problem solving to complete missing digit calculations. In Friday Maths,Y 5 have been looking at quadrilaterals and their characteristics while the year 6's have been learning about co-ordinates. As we are continuing with our Planet Earth topic, this week the children were outside in the playground classifying plants in Science showing environmental awareness in action, learning about the water cycle in Geography and practicing new photography skills in Art. We would also like to say thank you and well done to our Shakespeare Ambassadors and year 6 dodgeballers who represented Heathfield brilliantly across Nottingham this week and showed incredible eagerness to learn



<u>Harvest Festival:</u> Next week from 3rd October, we will be holding our annual Harvest festival celebration and as in previous years, we will be supporting the Bestwood and Bulwell foodbank. We are asking families to make a small donation of non-perishable foods to the foodbank to help other families that are in need. If your child would like to bring a donation, can these please be brought in to school and given to class teachers by **Thursday 6th October.** Thank you

<u>Settling Back Questionnaire</u>: Thanks to all the parents/carers who have already taken five minutes to complete our settling back in questionnaire. If you haven't already, please click on the link below as we really value the feedback we get from parents/carers and pupils. So far, we have had 87 families respond but would like to hear from more of you. The form will stop accepting responses next Wednesday at the end of the school day.

Here's the link - https://forms.office.com/r/bTk32kCJ9j

**<u>Goose Fair</u>**: We know many of you and the children are excited about the return of Goose Fair after the pandemic



cancelled it. It is a HUGE Nottingham tradition and is going to be even bigger this year as it is on for 10 days. Please take care if you do go and enjoy the fair over the weekend or in the evening.

On **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October** we will be having a special Goose Fair menu in place of the usual school meal. There will be two choices on the day: Bumper Car Beef Burgers or Veggie/vegan Helter-Skelter Quorn Hot Dogs



<u>Year 5 and 6 Swimming</u>: After October half term, Panthers and Pumas will no longer go swimming as it will be the turn of the Leopards and Cougars classes.

- Cougars will go swimming on a Tuesday afternoon and will start from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October
- Leopards will go swimming on a Friday afternoon and will start from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October

Further information will be sent to you before the end of the half term but so you can start and make sure that your child has the correct swimming costume please consider the following in order to be prepared for the first swimming session:

- Girls will need a swimming costume (no bikinis, crop tops etc.)
- Boys will need swimming trunks or shorts (shorts cannot come lower than the knee and all pockets need to be sewn up)
- Everyone will need a clean dry towel and a bag
- No jewellery to be worn you will not be permitted to swim if you are wearing any
- No mobile phones to be taken

Year 6 Secondary Open Evenings: A reminder that applications for secondary school MUST be made by 31<sup>st</sup> October. If you need a copy of the letter that was recently sent out please see the office. If you do not apply by then your child is at risk of not having a school place in September 2023.

Below is a list of dates for some of the secondary school open days/evenings that all Year 6 pupils and their parents are welcome to attend:

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October Y7 Taster Day Nottingham High School
- Tuesday 4th October 9:00-10:20 Taster Morning Nottingham Free School

• Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 9:00-10:20- Taster Morning Nottingham Free School

<u>Midday Supervisor Vacancies</u>: We have Midday Supervisor vacancies across both of our campuses working for one hour and 25 minutes per day between 11:30am and 1:20pm. 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.

**REMINDER - Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> 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 even if you do not want them to have the vaccination and this must be done by 3pm on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. 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 <u>https://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu</u> or by scanning this QR code. The school code for Kersall Drive Campus is NG122442K.

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

## Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

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

One of the best ways to connect to those around us is through using kind words, compliments and comments. A smile can also brighten up someone's day and can be very infectious!





Attendance: 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

- 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
- $\circ~$  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, parents may be asked to provide medical documentation to support the number of days taken for an absence

Please 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!

