

Heathfield Primary & Nursery School

Weekly News - 15th September 2023

Thriving Together

Knowledge • Nurture • Enrichment

Keeping you informed:

Parent Handbook: Please click this link to find the Parent Handbook for this year. Inside you will find all the important information you need to ensure you can keep up to date with the policies we follow in school.

Newsletters: This newsletter is sent out every Friday and phases also send out information in book bags and on text via the School gateway app.

Website: Visit www.heathfieldprimary.org.uk for all things Heathfield!



Including Everyone

Facebook: Our private Facebook group for parents is updated with news and celebrations. [Join here](#)

Rainbow Reading



Eager to Learn

- Your child has been challenged to read at least 3 times a week.
- Please listen to their progress and sign the Rainbow Reading card each time you hear them read.
- Children complete each colour challenge and aim for GOLD!
- Children should bring their reading books to school EVERYDAY.
- Children will bring home a reading book which meets their reading level. Some children will bring Phonics books home in plastic wallets – these must be returned to school as they are required for the next group.

Whole School Attendance: 96.06%

Attendance Champions of the week...



Aiming High

Scotland Road – Lions 100%

Kersall Drive – Hedgehogs 99.5%

FREE MUSIC LESSONS are on offer to all year 5 and 6 children. If they would like to sign up please do it by next Friday. There are a few guitar slots remaining and plenty of strings lesson slots. Links to sign up on the last page...



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Important dates coming up:

26/28 th Sept	Y5/6 Space Centre trip 26 th Kersall Drive children 28 th Scotland Road children
11 th Oct	3:30-6:30 Open Classroom Parent Event
12/19 th Oct	Y3 School Sleepover 12 th Kersall Drive children 19 th Scotland Road children
20 th Oct – 6 th Nov	Half Term
31 st Oct	Y6 Secondary School application deadline

[Link to Parent Handbook](#)

Early Birds Breakfast Club

Every day in the hall from 8:15-8:30 your child can join our FREE breakfast club. What better way to start the day than to be on time for school and to have breakfast to help them concentrate until lunchtime. Children have the choice of cereals, bagels, toast, juice and social activities with other children.

Please note there is no entry to Early Birds after 8:30am to ensure all children and staff are ready to get to class on time at 8:40am.



Healthy Attitudes

Attendance:



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'Good attendance, including punctuality, is essential for all pupils. This gives them the best possible life chances following statutory education. In order to achieve this, children need to attend school regularly and be equipped to learn. Children cannot learn if they are absent from school.'

Please read pages 13 and 14 of the Handbook. <http://heathfieldprimary.org.uk/wp/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Handbook-23-24-V1.pdf>
Contact Mr Battison or Miss Papp if you have any questions or concerns.

Year 5&6 Trip to the Space Centre

Year 5&6 will be visiting the National Space Centre in Leicester as part of their current topic on Space. We will explore all of the different floors, see a show in the planetarium and see a rocket science demonstration! The dates for this are as follows:

KD: Tuesday 26th September

SR: Thursday 28th September



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Children need to arrive at school by **8:30** and will hopefully arrive back at school between **3:30 – 3:45**. Children who have previously given permission to walk home by themselves will be allowed to do so once we arrive back at school.

The cost of the trip is £12 but school will be paying a contribution to support the reduction of the cost.

Parents are therefore asked to pay a contribution of just £5. Please use the **SCHOOL GATEWAY** app to complete your **permission** and **payment**.

If **you** – or **another family member** – can help us with this trip, please speak to their class teacher. All children will need a packed lunch and a water bottle. Children who are in receipt of free school meals are able to order a packed lunch from school – again - on the **gateway** app. Please do this when you complete the permission.

Please email us at the class email accounts, or speak to us with any questions. Thank you!

What is your child doing online?



Happy, Safe
and Confident

Online safety is an important aspect of growing up which children need to be aware of. Are your settings secure enough at home?

Are you checking what your children are doing online?

Many apps which children use are for 13+ so make sure you are protecting your children online.

We have a filtering system in school and we monitor tablet and computer use in the classrooms. If we are concerned about any aspect of your child's actions online we will contact you as this is a safeguarding issue.

Click here: Keeping children safe online | NSPCC

Bikes and Scooters: It is great to see so many children walking to school or using bikes and scooters. A healthy way to start the day!

Bikes and scooters are left at your own risk. All children and adults are required to dismount and walk at the gate. Electric Scooters are **NOT** permitted to be used on site. Thank you.



Taking Care

Parking:



Living in
Harmony



Environmentally
Aware

We kindly ask you to be mindful of our neighbours. Please do not park in front of driveways, gates and avoid double yellow lines and zigzag markings. This is affecting local business and households who would really appreciate your co-operation.

Harvest Festival Food Bank Collection:



Developing
Global Citizens

During the week of 2nd 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 Wednesday 4th October.

Parent Lite App: As a school, we always need to ensure that your contact details and your child/children's information is up to date and accurate should we need to contact you for any reason. To support this we have a convenient way for you to **access, review and request changes** to the data held on you and your children.

An activation email for you to access the parent app at your own convenience via smartphone, tablet or PC will be sent out next week. **Please note that your activation email is unique to you and should not be used by anyone else. Your activation email will expire after 14 days if it is not used, please contact your school if you require a replacement after this date.** If you have not received this please contact the school office so that we can check we have your correct email address on our system.

Getting started with the SIMS Parent Lite App

1. We will send you an activation email to the email address we have on record for you, simply click on the link from your tablet, PC or smartphone to activate your account
2. You can then login using your normal **Facebook, Twitter, Google** or **Microsoft** username and password
3. From your smartphone or tablet, download the app from the Google Play or Apple App store - search for **SIMS Parent Lite**
4. From a PC or Windows phone, login online at www.sims-parent.co.uk

Lost property:



If clothing is named it can be returned to you easily.

There are already items that have gone missing or unclaimed. Please check you have written your child's name on jumpers and cardigans to avoid lost property issues.



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Year 3 Sleepover

Do YOU fancy spending the night at school?

Feeling unsure because it's the first time away from home?

It's in school with your friends and teachers so a great first time and a stepping stone getting ready for more residential in their Heathfield journey.

Sleeping in a tent with your friends

Watching a film with snacks.

Toasting marshmallows.

Playing games

KD : Thursday 12th October

SR : Thursday 19th October

Click on the QR code for more

SAFEGUARDING OUT OF HOURS

Happy, Safe and Confident

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 caandfdirect@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

EYFS

This Week...

F1 has started getting to know the story of The Three Little Pigs. We have built houses out of sticks, straw and bricks and tried blowing them down with a wolf hairdryer.

This week, F2 have begun learning all about Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We have also been practising our best different character voices!

Next Week...

In F1 we will continue to learn about The Three Little Pigs. We will make our own house for a pig, and think more about how the pigs and the wolf feels at certain points in the story.

In F2 we will continue to learn the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We will make story maps over the week to help us become confident retelling our story.

KS1

This Week...

We launched our topic 'Transport'. In English both Year 1 and Year 2 were looking at a non-fiction text all about different transport. Year 2 were looking at the nouns in the text and Year 1 were labelling different vehicles using their phonics. In Maths, Year 1 have been counting and making amounts to 10 and Year 2 have been using base 10 to partition numbers and counting in 10s. In Science we discussed what working scientifically means- as this half term we are going to be becoming scientists, carrying out experiments like famous scientists!

Next Week...

Friday 22nd September 2023 will be our rearranged 'KS1 Grand Prix' children are welcome to bring a bike, scooter or roller skates with helmets (all named) to take part. We kindly ask that your child parks this at the nearest cycle stand to their classroom.

Year 3/4

We have been reading the Great Kapok Tree for our writing lessons, learning how to retell narratives. We have kicked off with Place Value knowledge in maths and becoming more confident with our times tables.

Extra practise at home of our times tables is vital for everything else in Maths – can you help your child?

Next Week...

Information regarding the Year 3 sleepover...

We are holding a Parent Meeting on Friday 22nd September at Scotland Road and Tuesday 26th September at Kersall Drive, 3.15pm in the School Hall.

Year 5/6

This Week...

Year 5&6 have flown head-first into their learning about Space! In Science, we've focused on our solar system (the milky way), and the stars, planets and moons that make it up. Furthermore, we have found out more information about a specific planet so we can write a non-chronological report about it in English. In art, we've been exploring the work of Jackson Pollock - an abstract artist who used automatism. We're also loving PE where we have been developing our passing and attacking strategies to be successful netballers!

Coming up...

Year 6 - Apply for your child's secondary school place by 31st October: [Apply for a Secondary School Place - Nottingham City Council](#)



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Afterschool Clubs this Half Term:

Click the link to book a place in the chosen afterschool club...

All clubs run on first come first served basis – there may be limited places. You will be contacted via School gateway to confirm your child's place. If you do not hear anything please check with the office.
Please be on time to collect your child.

Scotland Road

Club	Day	End	Staff	Link to claim a space...
Y5/6 Multisports	Monday	4:10pm	Next Level	https://forms.office.com/e/zJz9FF0KQT
Y1/2 Art	Monday	4:10pm	Mrs Downer / Miss Martell	https://forms.office.com/e/uGe5mYRzTt
KS2 Young Voices Choir	Monday	4:10pm	Mr Charles	https://forms.office.com/e/irviBk3pHT
Y5/6 Strings Lessons	Friday	4:00pm	Music Hub	https://forms.office.com/e/s2JkxuxNgA
Y5/6 Guitar Lessons	Thursday	4:00pm	Mr Blick	https://forms.office.com/e/s2JkxuxNgA

Kersall Drive

Club	Day	End	Staff	Link to claim a space...
Y5/6 (from 11 th Sept) Multisports	Friday	4:10pm	Next Level	https://forms.office.com/e/dSw8FKWhQL
Y2 (from 18 th Sept) Girls Disney Football	Monday	4:00pm	Mrs Fisher	https://forms.office.com/e/r2PPFV6Ssk
KS2 Young Voices Choir	Monday	4:10pm	Miss Wilson Eagles	https://forms.office.com/e/JFdC1PUZpj
Y5/6 Football	Thursday	4:10pm	Mr Cruickshank	https://forms.office.com/e/t1P0wYxZ9T
Year 1 Languages Club	Thursday	4:00pm	Miss Wilkins	Year 1 Languages Club with Miss Wilkins (office.com)
Y5/6 Drama	Tuesday	4:00pm	Alex Airey (midday supervisor)	https://forms.office.com/e/sRGkt7NQkv
Y5/6 Strings Lessons	Thursday	4:00pm	Music Hub	https://forms.office.com/e/mWghnxNmW8
Y5/6 Guitar Lessons	Wednesday	4:00pm	Mr Blick	https://forms.office.com/e/mWghnxNmW8



Wellbeing Theme – 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!

Being around family, friends and connecting with others is linked to happiness and health. Let's share some sunshine and smile more.