# Heathfield Primary & Nursery School Weekly News – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024



# <u>Bump Notes</u> Going Digital

Dear Parents,

Please be informed that all bump notes will be emailed to you instead of sending paper copies home at the end of the day.

We kindly ask that you check your emails regularly for any notifications regarding your child's bump notes.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# PE DAYS KERSALL DRIVE

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	WEDNESDAY	<b>THURSDAY</b>	FRIDAY
Eagles	Cougars	Eagles	Leopards	Cougars
Falcons	Falcons	Hedgehogs	Octopus	Owls
Hedgehogs	Leopards	Owls	Panthers	PANTHERS
Peacocks	Peacocks	Pelicans	Turtles	Pumas
Pelicans	PUMAS	Rabbits		Rabbits
		Squirrels		Squirrels

#### **SCOTLAND ROAD**

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

# Whole School Attendance: 94.4%



SR: Flamingos 100%

**KD: Eagles 98.2%** 

# Important dates coming up:

24 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	KD Y5/6 Trip to York
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	SR Y5/6 Trip to York
3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	SR Year 6 Sleepover
7 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Harvest Festival – foodbank collection
10 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	KD Year 3 Sleepover
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	SR Year 3 Sleepover
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	End of term
4 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	School reopens
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	End of term
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	School reopens
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan. '25	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb. '25	End of term
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb. '25	School reopens
4 <sup>th</sup> April '25	End of term
22 <sup>nd</sup> April'25	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
23 <sup>rd</sup> April '25	School reopens
23 <sup>rd</sup> May '25	End of term
2 <sup>nd</sup> June '25	School reopens
30 <sup>th</sup> June '25	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
25 <sup>th</sup> July '25	End of academic year 2024/2025

## FOODBANK COLLECTION

On Monday 7th 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 Monday 7th October.





This week we heard from Jeanie who is an ex pupil at Heathfield about her job as Education Lead at White Post Farm. Jeanie told us about how she trained as a teacher and now enjoys educating many different people about animals and conservation. She said the most important skills she needs are people skills!

If you would like to come and do an assembly or talk to specific year groups please email Mrs Rogers at

Whales@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk.

## Healthy Snacks at First Play (KS2)

Just a quick reminder about snacks during first play for KS2. We encourage healthy options like fruit or cereal bars. Please avoid sending crisps or chocolate biscuits, and chewing gum is not allowed.

Thank you for helping us promote healthy eating habits!

# Need to talk?

We aim to deal with any queries or concerns as soon as we are aware of the issue, so please speak to us. Please speak to your child's teacher first.



Teachers have more time at the end of the day for conversations as this does not impact on learning time. If you want to speak to the class teacher please wait until the other children have been dismissed.

You can also email your child's class teacher directly using:

classname@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

# Important Notice: Bikes and Scooters

Dear Parents,

Please note that bikes and scooters are left at the owner's risk and should be stored in the designated shelters or bike racks.

Electric scooters are **NOT** permitted to be ridden on campus.

For the safety of all adults and children, we kindly ask that bikes and scooters be dismounted at the gates.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

SHERWOOD FOREST YEAR 2
RESIDENTIAL!



PLEASE USE THIS QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST FOR THE YEAR 2 RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO SHERWOOD FOREST.

# New Maths Tests

Every year, all children from Y1-Y6 complete maths tests as part of our assessment approach. This year, we are trialling an updated version of the tests to more closely match what we teach and when we teach it. These will be done termly – Autumn, Spring and Summer. All pupils who would normally sit the old tests will sit the new ones. The data from the trial will help improve the tests in future years. However, if you don't wish for your child's data to be used in the trial, please complete the following form by 13th November:

https://forms.office.com/e/0Xi73MbXms

# Reminder: Labelling Children's Uniforms

Dear Parents,

Please ensure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled with their name. This will help us easily identify and return any lost property items.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# Wellbeing at Heathfield

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

Strong emotional connections ae linked to happiness and health. Having someone we can talk to and is a good listener helps us to feel valued, makes Challenges easier to bear and

builds our self-esteem.

Help your children to develop good listening skills by showing them how to focus their attention, look at the listener and repeat back things that have been said to them.

Children who are good listeners are more likely to have strong friendships and connections.

# **Nursery & Reception**

#### This Week...

F2 had a wonderful trip on our big red bus this week! We saw lots of Nottingham landmarks including the Market Square, Robin Hood Statue and the Castle. We have been retelling our journey to make our own story.

In F1, we have been making houses for the 3 little pigs and been retelling the rhyme 'This Little Piggy goes to Market'.

#### Next week...

F1 will be practising being super confident retelling The 3 Little Pigs story.

In F2, we will be continuing to retell our Bus Ride story and drawing our own map to represent the story.

# **Year 1/2**

**This Week...** we have been continuing to work hard on our handwriting. We have been looking at capital letters, how and where they should be used. Can you find any capital letters over the weekend? In maths we have also continued our knowledge on place value. We have been counting objects and partitioning numbers. In the afternoons, we have completed work on Nottingham and Robin Hood during our History and Geography lessons. What a busy week we have had!

Here is the link for the Key Stage 1 Welcome Meeting. If you missed it, please watch the video to make sure you are up to date on all of our information for the year! <a href="https://youtu.be/Ma5nWdZYARE">https://youtu.be/Ma5nWdZYARE</a>

#### Next week...

we will be looking at Christianity during our RE lessons and even learning about the upcoming Goose Fair!

# **Year 3/4**

**This Week...** we have been delving into the Ancient Egypt topic... In Art we have been inspired by Van Gough's Starry Night to plan our own landscape of an Egyptian sunset. We have been looking at texture, effect and how to best use silhouettes. In Writing, we have been continuing handwriting, focusing specifically on joining and making sure the ascenders and descenders are correctly formed. In Maths, it has been great to see how many of you have logged onto Times Table Rockstars at home! Well done for those who have 'Gone Green', we will continue to practice times tables and fluency, plus our current unit in maths at the moment, Place Value. Year 4's started their music lessons, playing violins, cellos and violas this week... We can't wait to see their progress over the year!

#### Next week...

We will be problem solving in maths and learning more about the Ancient Egyptians.

# **Year 5/6**

**This Week...** we have been continuing to learn about the Vikings. We have looked at where the Vikings came from and why they came to Britain as well as why the Viking invasion was so successful. Some classes have also been revisiting their knowledge of Islam in RE and watched videos about the five pillars of Islam. To make sure we are being safe online, we have looked at the SMART rules of online safety as well as the types of information we share online. In our grammar lessons, we have been looking at the different types of nouns and started to look at the different types of verbs. In maths, the year 6s have been practising using number lines for place value and looked at position and direction in Friday maths. The year 5's have also been looking at place value and representing numbers in different ways as well as looking at negative numbers in Friday maths.

#### Next week...

We have our exciting trip to Jorvik! Please make sure your child arrives for 7:45am and has their packed lunch ready for an amazing day. We will be continuing our learning about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons by looking at their laws and starting to make our Viking pouches.



# Leave of Absence and Unauthorised absence

Changes from August 19th

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

As you know, attendance is a high priority at Heathfield and greater emphasis has been placed on it by the government . Firstly, I'd like to thank you for ensuring we have good level of attendance.

I would like to highlight new statutory attendance guidance from the Department for Education which comes into effect from the 19th August, 2024.

# Key Changes

# Five Consecutive days

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time leave of 5 or more consecutive days, inset training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

Ten \*e\*\*ion\* (or 5 day\*) of unauthori\*ed ab\*ence in a ten-week period

Penalty Notice fines will be considered when there have been 10 sessions (or 5days) of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

## First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave of irregular attendance the amount will be:

> £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days

## \$econd Offence (Within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days

# Third Offence and Any Further Offence: (within 3 year:)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time leave or irregular attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parents future DBS certificate, due to a 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or irregular attendance.

If you require further guidance, do not hesitate to contact me. Mr. Battison – Deputy Headteacher

## Our Safeguarding Team



Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):

Miss Dickens



#### **DSL Deputies:**

Mr Hicks

Mrs Abasspour Mr Battison







Mr Padley

Mrs Baker



Mrs Dyer



Miss Papp

Link Governor: Pete Cumberland

At least one member of the DSL team is available at all times during the school day if you are concerned about a child.

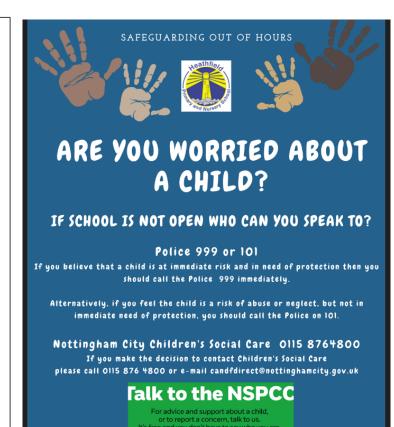


We use MyConcern for our reporting and record keeping. This can be accessed out of school hours to report a concern to a DSL.

We use Smoothwall monitoring for all school devices.

We work with the Police and other agencies to support families experiencing Domestic Violence

Out of Hours & referrals: Nottingham City Council Children and Families Direct 0115 876 4800



0808 800 5000

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

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

# Free School Meals Information

Dear Parents,

Please note that the government offers free school meals for all children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2.

Hursery children and children in Years 3 to 6 will be charged for school meals.

If you believe you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please contact the school office, and we will provide you with a form to complete.

Thank you





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Contact 07775 687682 for more information





# NOTTINGHAM FREE SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

Nottingham Free School warmly invites you to attend our

# **Year 6 Open Evening**

Tuesday 24 September 2024 (Now 5:00pm - 8:00pm)

- Attend one of the Headteacher's presentations -5:00pm, 5:30pm, 6:00pm, 6:30pm or 7:00pm
- Explore our fantastic facilities and departments, and meet our wonderful staff
- · Find out about the opportunities we have to offer your child

To book your place, please visit our website

www.nottinghamfreeschool.co.uk



