Heathfield Primary & Nursery School Weekly News – 14th February 2025

Thriving Together

Knowledge • Nurture • Enrichment

Whole School Attendance: 94.6%



KD: Hedgehogs 100%

SR: Toucans 98.8%

PE Days next half-term

Kersall Drive

<u>Monday</u> – Hedgehogs, Squirrels, Rabbits, Falcons, Peacocks

<u>Tuesday</u> – Pelicans, Eagles, Panthers, Pumas

<u>Wednesday</u> – Hedgehogs, Owls, Squirrels, Rabbits, Falcons, Peacocks

<u>Thursday</u> – Octopus, Turtles, Cougars, Leopards, Panthers, Pumas

Friday - Owls, Pelicans, Eagles, Cougars, Leopards

Scotland Road

<u>Monday</u> – Seahorses, Hares, Jaguars, Lions

Tuesday – Parrots, Flamingos, Toucans

<u>Wednesday</u> –Badgers, Foxes, Hares, Tigers, Jaguars

<u>Thursday</u> – Dolphins, Whales, Badgers, Foxes, Tigers

Friday – Parrots, Flamingos, Toucans, Lions

Afterschool Clubs next half-term

Please sign up on the Arbor app now! Kindly note that spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Thank you

Kersall Drive

<u>Craft Club</u> – Reception Mondays 3.15-4.00pm <u>Golf Club</u> – Year 1/2 Mondays 3.15-4.00pm <u>Story Club</u> – Year 1/2 Thursdays 3.15-4.00pm <u>Disco Dodgeball</u> – Year 1/2 Fridays 3.15-4.15pm <u>Dance Club</u> – Year 5/6 Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm <u>Girls Football</u> – Year 5/6 Thursdays 3.15-4.00pm

Scotland Road

<u>Disco Dodgeball</u>–Year 1/2 Monday 3.15-4.15pm <u>Times table Rockstars / Spelling Shed</u> – Year 3/4 <u>Tuesdays 3.15-4.00pm</u>

Gardening – Year 3/4 Wednesdays 12-12.30pm Rounders – Year 5/6 Tuesdays 3.15-4.10pm Dance Club – Year 5/6 Fridays 3.15-4.15pm <u>Half Way!</u> February half term marks the half way point in the academic year. Children and staff deserve the half term break as they have all worked so hard. School reopens on 24th Feb.

We would like to give a special mention to Alex who has been working in the office at Kersall Drive as she is leaving us today. We wish her well for the future!

Important dates coming up:

24 th Feb.	School reopens
25 th Feb.	KD & SR Reception & Year 6 Weigh & Measure
26 th Feb.	PARENTS' EVENING & Book Fair
5 th March	KD Year 4 Sports Stars Me v Me
10 th March	KD Peacocks Class Assembly @2.45pm
24 th March	KD Eagles Class Assembly @2.45pm
26-28 Mar.	KD & SR Year 4 Hagg Farm Residential
27 th March	SR Year 1/2 trip to Butterfly House
28 th March	KD Year 1/2 trip to Butterfly House
2 nd April	KD & SR Year 1/2 Weather Report present.
4 th April	End of term
22 nd April	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
23 rd April	School reopens
7 th May	SR Year 2 Residential
14 th May	KD Year 2 Residential
23 rd May	End of term
2 nd June	School reopens
16-18 June	SR Year 6 London Residential
23-25 June	KD Year 6 London Residential
30 th June	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
25 th July	End of academic year 2024/2025

PARENTS' EVENING - WEDNESDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY

Reminder to book a Parents Evening appointment with your child's teacher through the Guardian Consultations on the Arbor app. Only half of all parents have done this so far. Parents Evening is on between 3:30-7pm. It is important that you attend to find out about your child's progress half way through the year. There will be a Book Fair in each hall on the night - nice for a little reward! Cash and card payments will be accepted. See you there!

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March

We're excited to celebrate World Book Day! Children can come to school dressed as a book character, in their pyjamas, or simply in something comfy – no need to spend lots of money on a special costume. We'd also love for children to bring in a favourite book from home to share with their class, and teachers will be doing the same!

This year, we're holding a fun competition: children can decorate a potato as a book character! The best entry from each phase will win a prize, so get creative!

Throughout the day, we'll be enjoying lots of reading for pleasure, making it a fantastic celebration of books and stories. We can't wait to see everyone getting involved!



Head Lice – Important Reminder

Please **check your child's hair regularly** and treat it if you spot any signs of head lice. Combs and treatments are available from pharmacies or supermarkets. Thank you for helping us keep head lice under control!

Year 1/2 trip

We are excited to inform you that we will be visiting the Butterfly House in Sheffield as part of our preparation for the upcoming Summer 1 term topic, 'Habitats'.

- SR Trip Date: Wednesday, 27th March
- KD Trip Date: Thursday, 28th March
- Contribution from parents: £8
- **Timings:** All-day trip, with children returning at the normal school time (traffic permitting).

Please return your form regarding **packed lunches** as soon as possible. Thank you for your support!

Year 4 Hagg Farm Residential

Places have now closed for the residential. Thank you if you have booked. You should all have received a parent/carer pack, along with an OV4 form, dietary and boot size list. Please return to the school office as soon as possible.

If you have any further questions, ask at the school office and Mrs Wellsman or Mr Charles will be able to assist. Thank you

Early Birds FREE breakfast club

Starts at 8:15am - doors close at 8:30am.

Children should be accompanied to the door by a parent/carer. Children arriving at 8:30am or later will have to wait until classroom doors open as they will not be able to attend Early Birds. Classroom doors open from 8:40am and the school day starts at 8:45am. ALL children should be in school by this time. Any late arrivals after 8:45 are to be signed in on the screens at the office by an adult.

National Child Measurement Programme

On Tuesday, 25th February 2025, school nurses are coming to measure the height & weight of Reception & Year 6 children as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Please follow this link for the letter containing all necessary details. https://tinyurl.com/3jidvbve Please contact the school if you DO NOT want your child to take part.

Wellbeing at Heathfield

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



'Take Notice'

Find 6 differences

Taking Notice is being aware what is around us and how we feel inside. At school the children have been encourage to spot different things around them at school and also increase their knowledge of different feeling words.

Increasing our emotional Vocabulary, Can help us to explain the size and intensity of our feelings.

Have a wonderful half term break and we will see you for our next well-being focus of 'GIVE'.

Nursery & Reception

This Week...

F2 have found tiny caterpillars in all different places around their classroom and talked about where they have found them. They have also been writing simple sentences about where the caterpillar is.

F1 have been thinking about who they love and making special Valentine's Day cards. They have also been describing the similarities and differences between the Gruffalo and Gruffalo's Child.

Next half-term...

F2's new topic is Seasons and F1's new topic is Eggs.

We look forward to seeing all parents at Parents Evening too.

Year 1/2

This Week...

Key Stage 1 have been finishing their retells of 'I don't want to be small'. We have really enjoyed this story and loved finding the rhyming words. In maths, year 1 have consolidated their Mass and Volume learning. We have learned all about the differences between volume and capacity. In year 2, we have moved onto our Money topic and we have practised counting pounds and pennies. In our topic lessons, we have completed our end of unit science quizzes and looked at skeletons in art. We have also thought about all of the amazing people we have studied throughout our Bodies topic.

Next half-term...

we are looking forward to seeing you at Parents Evening!
We will begin our Spring 2 topic of 'Weather'.

Year 3/4

This Week...

we have been completing our persuasive adverts about Magna. The most superb superlatives and thoughtful rhetorical questions were used to hook people in to visit! We can't wait to share them with you at Parents Evening.

In Maths, we have been finishing our multiplication and division units, using mental, formal and efficient methods. Test us on our multiplication fluency!

Next half-term...

Now our Powerful Forces topic has come to an end, we will be moving on to the Stone Age to Iron Age in the next half term. Look out for our topic overview, knowledge organisers and homework.

Year 5/6

This Week...

Year 6 have had a busy week doing their first full set of practice SATs papers. This is really useful for us as teachers to identify gaps and decide where our support is needed most.

Year 5 have been working on division, or fractions in maths - two massive topics for this year group that will help them be Y6 ready.

Amazing artwork has filled the classrooms this week with the children completing their final Lowry street scenes, and there's also been lots of electricity learning going on in Science.

Next half-term...

Y6 SATs boosters start (straight away from the first Monday back).

We look forward to seeing you at parents' evening!



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 <u>19th August</u>, <u>2024</u>.

Key Change:

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

Second 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.

Our Safeguarding Team



Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):

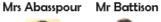
Miss Dickens



Co-Headteacher

DSL Deputies:

Mr Hicks













Mrs Baker



Mrs Duer





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.



ENCOMPASS

We use MuConcern 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



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 candfdirect@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Talk to the NSPCC

0808 800 5000

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

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

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.

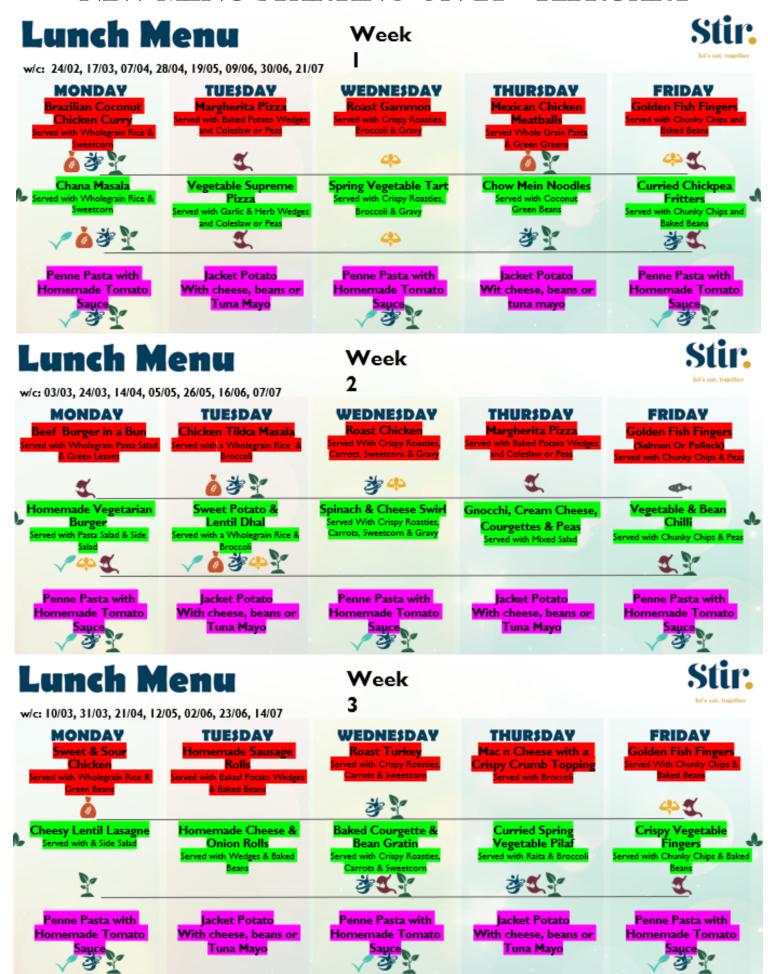


Teachers have more time at the end of the day for conversations as this does not impact on learning time. If you want to speak to the class teacher please wait until the other children have been dismissed.

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

classname@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

NEW MENU STARTING ON 24TH FEBRUARY



KIDS DANCE MIX

STREET DANCE, FREESTYLE, CHART, ROCK N ROLL, FLEX, LYRICAL PLUS MORE!

WEDNESDAYS With Kerry Hickling





5+ YEARS 4:45 - 5:30pm £5

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
KERRY HICKLING
CONTACT - 07976776456

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TUESDAY

18th February 2025

Tea, Coffee, Juice, Biscuits, Toast Chat, Play, Toddler Toys, Crafts 10am to 12noon





www.bulwellurc.org.uk

Email: dave@bulwellurc.org.uk Facebook: Bulwell United Reformed Church

Tuesday Family Drop-In Session

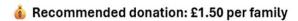
A fun, relaxed space for families!

When: Tuesdays 18th February, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Where: Bulwell United Reformed Church, Broomhill Road, Bulwell, NG6 9GJ

- Enjoy drinks, toast other snacks
- Get creative with crafts & activities
- 🐣 Toys & playtime for little ones
- 🌇 Meet other families in a welcoming space

A friendly, informal space for parents, carers, and children to spend quality time together, socialise, and enjoy fun activities.



No booking required - just drop in! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

- activityandplay@bulwellurc.org.uk
- Dave Dennis 07508 652584
- www.bulwellurc.org.uk



Every Friday after school 3.30pm to 5pm

School Years: Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 £1 per child

> **Exciting activities every week** Refreshments Provided

> > More details on the back of this lea

Join Us for Activity & Play Session!

Every Friday | 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Bulwell United Reformed Church, Broomhill Road, Bulwell, NG6 9GJ £1 per child

A fun, relaxed after-school session for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2!

Parents stay with their children, making it a great space for families to enjoy quality time together. Siblings welcome - bring them along for the fun!

Different activities every week!

Week 1 Lego Building

Week 2 Crafts

Week 3 Cooking

Week 4 Games

Refreshments provided for everyone!

A safe, welcoming space for children to play, create, and connect with others.

For more information, contact:

Dave Dennis, Children, Youth & Family Worker - 07508 652584 dave@bulwellurc.org.uk

We'd love to see you there!

Nottingham Parents & Carers Newsletter February 2025



Free activities, places to go and things to see



15 - 21 February 2025

All ages

Slime, space and all things science fun across the city. There's even a free festival magazine.

Festival of Science & Curiosity Magazine

Find ALL the Festival Activities

Lakeside Arts, COSMIC TITANS: Exhibition

Until Sun 27 April

Djanogly Gallery & Angear Visitor Centre Open Tuesday-Saturday at 10am-4pm Open Sunday at 12noon-4pm Closed Mondays For all ages

Does your family enjoy science, space and thinking about big guestions of life? This exhibition helps us think about where the universe comes from, space and technology. Amazing! There's a great playground and lake to enjoy too. Find out more

Lakeside Arts Museum Explorers

Sat 22 February at 12noon-3.30pm

7years+, just drop in

Enjoy creative activities and learn about ancient crafts. Create a Celtic plaque based on an Iron Age coin or a Celtic stone head from clay. Find out more









@ChallengeNottm | challengenottingham.co.uk

Wollaton Hall

Sat 15 to Weds 19 February

11.15am, 12.15pm, 1.15pm, 2.15pm 6urs+

Free but you need to book

Book Build the Change tickets

Do some Lego Building Science at Wollaton Hall, drop in on Sat 15 February 11-3.30pm for a day of hands-on interactive science activities.

Don't forget the main Hall is free, with some newly renovated spaces and there's acres of parkland with the Lake to explore. If you drive, you'll need to pay car parking charges. Find out about Wollaton Hall

Hurry! Until Sun 23 Feb

Can you really fit a sculpture in the eye of a needle? Dr Willard Wlaan MBE's Miniature Masterpieces exhibition showcases 20 miniature sculptures in the eye of a needle and features four new, never before seen sculptures.

Find out about Miniature Masterpieces

Library events

Festival of Science and Curiosity Events at Libraries



Nottingham Contemporary

Tue 18, Wed 19 & Thu 20 Feb

10am - 12 noon and 1pm - 3pm

Bring your memories to life through sculpture! Family workshops, you can drop-in; but please book a space for your session as spaces are limited. Chance to see the new exhibitions too. Elnd out more

Green's Windmill & Science Centre

Nottingham's 19th Century restored windmill, museum and science learning centre. Entry to the grounds and museum is free. Find out about Green's Mill & Science Centre

Hands-on Psychology at Green's Windmill Sun 16 & Weds 19 Feb

10am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm Research activities for 6-9 year olds

Booking essential: <u>Book a Mindmasters session</u>. <u>here.</u> There's also costed baking activities during the week.

Newstead Abbey

There's a cost to visit the House but Newstead Abbey has 300 acres of parkland to explore along with its wildlife of peacocks and swans. You can buy a garden trail from the shop, hunt for clues, find the answers and claim a prize at the end!

Find out more

Libraries

<u>Visit Nottingham Central Library</u>, for lots of free fun, sign up to register to borrow books and find out about all the resources and events on offer.

Nottingham Playhouse: Family Fest

Mon Feb 17 - Fri Feb 21 Early Years, 5-10years From £3 - £30

This February half term, Nottingham Playhouse have another Family Fest packed full of activities for kids of all ages to enjoy. And there's plenty the grown-ups might want to join in with, too!

All workshops are fully accessible. If cost is a barrier to taking part, consider applying for a bursary.

More about bursaries & application Find out more about Family Fest

Young Creative Awards 2025 Entries open for 11-25 yr olds

Encourage your young person to enter these Awards, closing on 11.59pm on 24th March. There's lots of categories from creative writing to photography, animation, graphic design and more.

Young Creative Awards 2025





Survey time! <u>7-11yrs</u> <u>11-16yrs</u> <u>16-18yrs</u>

We would love to hear children and young people's views and experiences of Nottingham. It's the final week to complete this online survey and takes 10 minutes. Please scan the QR code and help us reach 1000 responses. Thank you

For wider information about community activities and family support have a look at Ask Lion, the City's one-stop shop for information and advice:

ASK LION What On in My Area

For more information about Things to do in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire: What's On Nottingham

Website for young creatives to find networking opportunities, groups and support: connectingnotts.co.uk