

Heathfield Primary & Nursery School

Weekly News – 28th March 2025

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Whole School Attendance: 93.6%



KD: Peacocks 98.5%

SR: Parrots 100%

Red Nose Day – Thank You! 🎉

We are delighted to share that we have raised an **amazing £756.20** for Comic Relief on **Red Nose Day!**

A huge **thank you** for your generosity and support – we truly appreciate it. ❤️

Reminder – Avoiding Early Collections

We kindly ask that you **avoid collecting children early** from school unless they have an **appointment** or a **pre-arranged agreement** with SLT or the SENDCo.

Leaving early means children **miss valuable learning time**, which we want to minimise as much as possible.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

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

Circle Club – Reception Mondays 3.15-4pm

Dance Club – Reception Fridays 3.15-4.15pm

Nature Club – Year 3 Thursdays 3.15-4pm

Disco Dodgeball – Year 3/4 Mondays 3.15-4.15pm

Singing Club – Year 3-6 Mondays 3.15-4.15pm

Language Club – Year 5 Mondays 3.15-4.15pm

Scotland Road

Fun Club – Reception Mondays 3.15-4pm

Dance Club – Reception Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm

Board Game Club – Year 1/2 Tuesdays 3.15-4pm

Lego Club – Year 3/4 Mondays 3.15-4pm

Timestable Rockstars/Spelling Shed – Year 3/4 Tuesdays 3.15-4pm

Disco Dodgeball – Year 3/4 Fridays 3.15-4.15pm

Wellbeing Club – Year 5/6 Mondays 3.15-4.15pm

Netball Club – Year 5/6 Tuesdays 3.15-4.10pm

Important dates coming up:

2 nd April	KD Year 5 trip to see the Tempest
2 nd April	SR Year 1/2 Weather Forecast @2.45pm
3 rd April	KD Year 1/2 Weather Forecast @2.45pm
3 rd April	KD & SR Reception Class Assembly @2.45
4 th April	SR Year 5 trip to see the Tempest
4 th April	KD & SR EYFS & KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade
4 th April	End of term
22 nd April	INSET day – school closed to all pupils
23 rd April	School reopens
28 th April	KD & SR Year 3/4 Author Virtual Visit
1 st May	SR Year 5 Sleepover
7 th May	SR Year 2 Residential
8 th May	KS Year 5 Sleepover
14 th May	KD Year 2 Residential
16 th May	KD & SR Global Day
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

Lighthouse Club Book and Pay system

Our Lighthouse Clubs run from 7:30am and until 5:45pm each day. Sessions are:

7.30-8.45am: £4

8.00-8.45am: £2

3.15-5.45pm: £6

Anyone wishing to use the services of the paid before or afterschool club should ensure you have **booked and paid** for a place by the day before (at the latest) so that registers can be finalised.

There have been occasions this week where children have been dropped off and are not on the register and the parent has not spoken to staff or booked a place.

Please note that we cannot guarantee a space for your child if they are not booked in advance. We also cannot allow places to be taken and paid for afterwards - you must pay at the time of booking. Thank you.

Key Stage 1 presents the Weather Forecast!

We are inviting parents and carers to come and view our filmed Weather Forecasts. We have written our weather reports and filmed them as though we are really reporting on the weather! We would love for you to come and see them.

***Scotland Road at 2:45 on Wednesday 2nd April
in the hall***

***Kersall Drive at 2:45 on Thursday 3rd April
in your child's classroom***

We look forward to seeing you!

Easter Bonnet Parade



On Friday 4th April we will be holding our annual Easter Bonnet Parade for Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1. Please enjoy making a bonnet with your child at home and bring it to school on Friday 4th April so your child can show off their creation to the rest of school!

Cyber Security Training for parents/carers - Thursday 3rd April 2025 (17:00-18:00)

- This session will be delivered by Nottinghamshire Police Cyber Protect & Prevent Officers.
- This session is for all parents/carers that are living with or supporting children who are using devices (phones, tablets, or computers).
- The aim of this private session will be to educate parents/carers on best practice when it comes to basic online security and keeping those accounts private.
- Kirsty will also talk about the Cyber Choices programme, which was created to help people, particularly children to make informed choices and to use their cyber skills in a legal way.

This session is FREE to attend, it will take place online via Microsoft Teams.

Please register for the parent/carer event here:
[Cyber Security Training for parents/carers -
Thurs 3rd April 2025 \(17:00-18:00\)](#)

Year 5 Sleepover!

SR - 1st May, KD - 8th May

Here is the expression of interest form for the Y5 sleepover. This is to give us an indication of interest. **Please note**, this is not confirmation that they have a place. We will confirm at a later date.

<https://forms.office.com/e/NDzFU5XHJs>

Y5 Trip to see the Tempest.

Year 5 are lucky enough to go and see a performance of the Tempest (our Shakespeare play for this year) at another school. They will walk to the school for a 1:30pm performance having their lunch as usual at school beforehand.

The show will finish at 3pm, so we estimate we will be back at school for around 3:30-3:45pm meaning you will need to collect your child slightly later.

**KD: Wednesday 2nd April - 12:45 - 3:45pm
at Old Basford School**

**SR: Friday 4th April - 12:45 - 3:45pm
at Seely School**

Year 3/4 author visit

We're delighted to welcome children's author, Sophie Kirtley, on Monday 28th April 2025 to work with students in Year 3/4 for a virtual author visit.

Sophie's bestselling novels ***The Wild Way Home***, ***The Way to Impossible Island*** and ***The Haunting of Fortune Farm*** have received widespread critical acclaim and have been shortlisted for many awards.

If your child would like their very own copy of Sophie's book, ***The Wild Way Home***, you can pre-order using the form on Arbor. All books are supplied and sold through Rocketship Bookshop, who have kindly offered a special discounted rate of £7. Sophie will also sign each copy and write a special personalised dedication. **All orders must be received by Friday 25th April 2025.**

Global Day - Request for Parent Participation - Friday 16th May

We are excited to announce that **Global Day** will be celebrated at Heathfield on 16th May and this year we will be using the Eurovision song contest as our main focus. This special day will aim to celebrate and learn about the rich variety of cultures that make up our wonderful school community. We are reaching out to ask for your support in showcasing different ways of life from around the world. This year's Eurovision countries will include- **Sweden, Ukraine, Georgia, France, Spain, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Finland, Australia, Austria, Israel, Armenia, Lithuania, Czech, Portugal, Poland, Estonia, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, Serbia, Croatia, Iceland, Ireland, Greece and Italy.**

How Can You Help?

We would love for our students to experience and learn about various cultures in an interactive and engaging way by inviting parent into school. Here's how you can contribute:

1. Cultural Booths & Displays:

- Share **traditional clothing, food, artifacts, and music** from your culture.
- Set up a display to teach students about important aspects of your heritage.
- Show items such as **books, crafts, instruments**, or anything that highlights your culture's unique traditions.

2. Cultural Performances:

- If you or your family would like to **perform traditional music, dance**, or even **tell a folk tale** from your culture, we would love to have you share it with the students.
- Short performances, storytelling, or singing a traditional song are wonderful ways to engage children.

3. Interactive Cultural Activities:

- **Teach the children a game**, craft, or tradition from your culture. For example, you might teach them a simple **traditional dance step**, how to **make a cultural craft**, or how to **play a game** commonly enjoyed in your country.
- **Language Lessons:** Teach students a few simple words or phrases in your native language!

4. Cultural Presentations:

- If you would like to make a **short presentation** or **slide show** about your culture, please let us know. This could include anything from **important landmarks, famous people, celebrations**, or day-to-day life in your country.

If you would like to participate, please contact Miss Fyles (Kersall Drive) or Mrs Hicks (Scotland road) ASAP.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about the diversity that enriches our community. We greatly appreciate your involvement and look forward to celebrating together. Thank you for making **Global Day** a memorable event for our children!

ROAD SAFETY QUIZ for Key Stage 2

We are taking part in Nottingham's Road Safety Quiz. The aim is to educate children on what road safety means, and how to keep themselves safe when near roads. Learning the Green Cross Code and identifying safe places to cross the road are the first challenges for children.

Nottingham City's target is to reduce road accidents to children by 50% and our help in passing on this knowledge is greatly appreciated.

When the children have worked through their information sheets, they will be taking them home to show you. The quiz will be a set of questions which we ask the children in school, then we log their responses online as 'Heathfield'. We will be doing this in the last week of the half term.

Wellbeing at Heathfield

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



Most people would agree that giving to others is a wonderful idea. It shows kindness, empathy and support. When you give to others it can have a direct positive effect on your own mental wellbeing. Small acts of kindness towards other people, or larger acts – such as volunteering in your local community – can give you a sense of purpose and make you feel happier and more satisfied about life.

5 Benefits of Giving:

Giving makes us feel happy

Giving is good for health

Giving helps social connection

Giving evokes gratitude

Giving is contagious

Nursery & Reception

This Week...

F2 have been learning about poetry. We have found signs of spring all over school and used them to create our own spring poems. We have looked closely at daffodils and thought how we can describe them. We have been finding pairs of numbers that make 6,7,8 and 9 in maths using a variety of different manipulatives.

F1 have been reading the story of Peely Wally by Kali Stileman. We have made our own Peely Wally chicks and experimented with different sized eggs to find out how they roll down ramps, like the egg rolls away in the story.

Next week...

F1 will be going on egg hunts and F2 will be doing some science experiments in science week!

Don't forget! Whales and Dolphins and Octopus and Turtles Spring Class Assembly is going to be on Thursday 3rd April. Please come and join us at 2.45pm and see what we have been learning about this term.

Year 1/2

This Week...

we have begun our new book - Goldilocks and the three Crocodiles! The children have really enjoyed immersing themselves in the story and looking at the similarities and differences to the traditional tale. In maths, year 2 have covered their 2 times tables by doubling and halving numbers. Year 1 have been looking at Place Value to 50. We have looked at representing numbers and grouping numbers below 50. We have also taken our exciting trip to the Tropical Butterfly House! The children loved the educational session about animal senses and learning all about the different animal habitats we could see. We had an absolutely amazing time and we would like to thank you for all of your ongoing support.

Next week...

we will be completing lots of work during Science Week! We are covering the theme 'Change and Adapt' and will be taking part in experiments throughout the week.

Year 3/4

This Week...

has been packed full of exciting activities for our children. Peacocks and Falcons at Kersall Drive had a visit from Dave at the local church to talk about the Easter Story. To compliment our RE curriculum, the Year 4's got hands-on making lego scenes of the story, then shared them with the class. Many of our Year 4's went to their residential to Hagg Farm on Wednesday. They participated in many adventurous activities, shared time with their friends and, for some, experienced their very first sleepover away from home. Not to be outdone, the remaining Year 4's in school enjoyed activities learning outside the classroom, being creative with arts and crafts and joined in team-building activities.

Next week...

Pelicans and Eagles will be learning about the Easter Story using the lego with Dave. We will all get scientific celebrating science week!

Year 5/6

This Week... Y5&6 have been busy this week with lots of practical activities! In science, they've been dissecting lillies to look at the reproductive parts of a plant as well as classifying animals into their groups. They've also been designing recycling machines ready for building next week. Y6 have ramped up their SATs revision by doing some paired reasoning tests in maths, and breaking down reading papers to see how to answer the different types of questions. In PE, we've now been confidently playing handball as well as creating, showing and playing our own games using tennis balls. Having taken lots of photos on the iPads, the children will now edit them and do their observational drawings ready to combine to build their Mat Collishaw inspired artwork. We've also been doing some preparation for the road safety quiz.

Next week...

Y6 have a practice SATs week in the hall to know what it will be like.

Y5 have a trip to see the Tempest (Weds - KD, Fri - SR)

Road Safety Quiz



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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 sessions (or 5 days) of unauthorised absence in a ten-week period

Penalty Notice fines will be considered when there have been 10 sessions (or 5 days) 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 Offences (within 3 years)

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



Co-Headteacher

Mrs Abasspour



Deputy Head
Inclusion

Mr Battison



Deputy Head
Pastoral Support

Mr Padley



Deputy Head
Teaching & Learning

Mrs Baker



Learning Mentor
(Mon, Thurs, Fri)

Mrs Dyer



Safeguarding Officer

Miss Papp



Learning Mentor

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

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 canfdirect@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

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.

Class Teacher or
Teaching Assistant

Phase Leader

Deputy Headteacher

Co-Headteachers

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

Parents/ Carers Workshop Emotional Regulation

Description

This workshop is designed for parents/carers/families of autistic children and young people to help build knowledge and understanding about self regulation and emotional control.

It focuses on the early warning signs associated with them

When: Thursday 24th April 2025

Time: 10-11.30am

Where: Microsoft Teams

Slides and materials can be sent afterwards, but the session will not be recorded

Benefits

This workshop will be a safe space to ask questions and meet other parents

By the end you should have gained:

- visual and therapeutic strategies
- work towards building a toolkit which will help your children and young people to self-regulate and manage their anxiety

There is no need to book. Just click the link or QR code below to join

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 334 981 980 182

Passcode: LK9qp9j5



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Speech, Language and Communication Early Years Parents and Carers Drop-In

Is your child under 4 years old? Do you want to talk to someone about your child's talking and communication? If so, why not come along to one of our early years drop-in sessions!

Broxtowe Family Hub, 18 Strelley Road Nottingham
NG8 3AP

Thursday 3 April 2025, Thursday 1 May 2025, Thursday 26 June 2025, Thursday 24 July 2025 (All 9:30am to 11.30am)

Hyson Green Family Hub, The Mary Potter Centre 76 Gregory
Boulevard Nottingham NG7 5HY (health education room, upstairs)

Friday 11 April 2025, Friday 9 May 2025, Friday 6 June 2025, Friday 4 July 2025 (All 9:30am to 11.30am)

The Meadows Family Hub, Kirkby Gardens, The Meadows,
Nottingham NG2 2HZ

Thursday 17 April 2025, Thursday 15 May 2025, Thursday 12 June 2025, Thursday 10 July 2025 (All 9:30am to 11.30am)

Bestwood (Southglade Family Hub), Southglade Access
Centre, Southglade Road, Bestwood, Nottingham NG5 5GU

Thursday 24 April 2025, Thursday 22 May 2025, Thursday 17 July 2025 (All 9:30am to 11.30am)
Thursday 19 June 2025 (12:30pm to 2pm)

Just pick a date and come along with your child at any time during the session.

We will be there to chat, play and answer any questions and give ideas!

Please call 0300 123 3387 (option 1) for further information.



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If your child is eligible for free school meals,
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