

Heathfield Primary & Nursery School

Weekly News – 8th December 2023

Thriving Together

Knowledge • Nurture • Enrichment

Ofsted Inspection:



As you are aware we have had our Ofsted Inspection this week. We are awaiting our grading the draft report but will inform you of the outcome as soon as we are able to.

It is not until someone else comes into school that we appreciate the complexities of Heathfield being across two campuses, over a mile apart, with 677 children on roll. The Inspectors were impressed with our children and the Knowledge, Nurture and Enrichment they receive in school. **Inspectors wanted to thank the children for being so engaging in lessons and talkative in the group discussions.** We would like to also thank parents for your feedback on the survey – your feedback is valued. We are proud of our school community. #thrivingtogether

Whole School Attendance: 93%

Attendance Champions of the week...

Scotland Road – Badgers 96.9%

Kersall Drive – Octopus 95.7%

Important dates coming up:

13 th Dec	Christmas Dinner & Jumper day
13 th Dec	Dolphins & Whales Theatre Trip
13 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Show
14 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Show
15 th Dec	KS2 Songs Around the Tree & Jumper day
15 th Dec	Turtles & Octopus Theatre Trip
18 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Party
18 th Dec	F1 & F2 Christmas Songs & stories
20 th Dec	KS2 Christmas Party (afternoon)
20 th Dec	End of Term
4 th Jan	School Reopens THURSDAY 4 th Jan



Christmas in the City Area Band concert

Wednesday 13th December, 7.20pm - 9:00pm

Location: Albert Hall

Parents need to buy tickets from the Nottingham Music Hub website if they want to watch. It is FREE for the children.

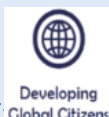
Young Voices concert

Monday 19th February

Location: Sheffield Arena

Tickets can be purchased on

<https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/young-voices-in-concert-tickets/artist/30227>



TICKETS:

Kersall Drive

<https://forms.office.com/e/Lt8TmzCG8r>

Scotland Road

<https://forms.office.com/e/i9JMGNFgx7>



Useful Links

[School Website](#)

[Parent Handbook](#)

[Uniform Shop](#)



Christmas Jumper Days

We understand that not everyone finds this time of year easy for a number of reasons. We would like to support our local community by collecting for the Bestwood & Bulwell Foodbank again. We will be having TWO Christmas Jumper Days: **Wednesday 13th December (Christmas Dinner day)** and **Friday 15th December (KS2 Songs Around the Tree)**.



KS2 Songs Around the Tree

Year 3,4,5 and 6 will be singing Christmas Carols on the KS1 playground on Friday 15th December at 2:45pm.

We would love if the parents could come along to watch this festive performance!

We will also have a lucky bag and craft stall and a chance to win a lovely prize in our Winter Raffle - tickets will be available from the school office on the morning of Friday 15th December.

HEATHFIELD PRESENT A NEW
'FESTIVE' **ATTENDANCE AND ON TIME** (8:45am) CHALLENGE

CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN

Beginning on Friday 1st December, be at school **EVERYDAY and ON TIME** until the end of term and be entered into the **£10 Voucher Raffle** (one voucher for each Year group). *Mr Battison*

Positive Mental Health and Well-Being

This half term we are focusing on our well-being area of **BE Active**.

Being active is great for our well-being and this needs to be balanced with eating and lots of good sleep. Being active doesn't need to be a lot of running around! It can be a leisurely walk, stretching, or doing activities like yoga are all ways to be active but at a slower pace.

Eating eat a variety of colourful fruits and vegetables every day will help us all to be healthy. By breaking food down into colour groups of red, orange, yellow, green and purples you can make eating fruits and vegetables fun and easy for kids!



Dear Parents/carers,

Please do not park on the yellow Zig Zags outside the front of school – they are there to ensure safety for our children and parking on the causes traffic hazards.. Thank you

Year 2 Residential to Walesby

REMINDER: All Year 2 children who applied to go on our Year 2 residential to Walesby on Thursday 1st February to Friday 2nd February 2023 have received a place and can now pay in instalments or full on the School Gateway App.

Payments will need to be paid in full by the end of the year.

We will be holding an information evening about kit, activities etc in January so look out for the date.

THERE ARE STILL A FEW PLACES AVAILABLE IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO GO PLEASE SPEAK TO THEIR CLASS TEACHER.



Dear Parent/Carer

NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe* programme

We are pleased to inform you that we are participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe* Programme** this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom based activities which we have reviewed. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy. If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe* programme visit www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

Feedback survey for pupils aged 7-11

The NSPCC would like to gather feedback from pupils aged between 7-11 about the *Speak out. Stay safe* programme to gauge their learning. **This will be voluntary and children can still take part in the programme if they don't take part in the survey.**

- All survey questions are multiple choice and focussed on the programme.
- The survey is anonymous and confidential. However, if in the process of completing the survey, a teacher becomes concerned for a pupil's welfare (e.g., through something a pupil says) we will follow our school's safeguarding procedures.
- **If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please let the office know by Friday 8th December**
- If you have agreed that your child can take part in the survey but your child changes their mind on the day that is also okay.

Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

Parent/Carer support Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers. www.nspcc.org.uk/parents	Activities to extend learning at home Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe. www.nspcc.org.uk/activities
Online Safety Hub For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls and more. www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety	Childline – under 12's Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content. www.childline.org.uk/buddy (5-7) www.childline.org.uk/kids (7-11)
Talk PANTS with your children Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants .	

We hope you find this information about the NSPCC and the *Speak out. Stay safe* programme helpful. Please do contact us if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Julia Dickens – Co-Headteacher/DSL

Leah Dyer – Safeguarding Officer



EYFS

This Week...

F1 have started to get in the Christmas spirit and read Dear Santa. We have talked about who we would like to give a present to. We have also found out about Christingles.

In F2, we have innovated our own version of Shark in the Dark. We have retold our own version and have had a go writing some words and sentences as part of our story.

Next week...

F1 will continue to learn to retell Dear Santa and enjoy some Christmas activities!

F2 will read Shark in the Snow and enjoy some Christmas activities!

SAVE THE DATE: Please join both F1 and F2 on Monday 18th December for some festive fun to share some Christmas Songs and let us retell the stories we have learnt this half term. F2 will be at 2.30pm and F1 will be at the end of your child's session.

Please can all children wear a Christmas Jumper on this day.

KS1

This Week...

In Year 1 and 2 we have been learning about the key features and how to write a set of instructions. In Maths year 1 have been consolidating our learning on subtraction and year 2 have been learning about mixed addition and subtraction using exchanging. We have enjoyed doing some tests to find out more about materials in science and designed our own toys in Design Technology.

Next Week...

The Perfect Present is next week

Year 3/4

This Week...

Thank you for those of you who joined us in our Tudor Day this week, for all of your warm comments and your support. We were busy immersing ourselves in Tudor activities and learning more about food, houses and clothes from the time. Ask us what houses looked like and what materials were used in the Tudor period! We have been learning how to use Keynote safely and effectively, both researching and presenting our history presentations. In English, we have been finishing our poems about Henry VIII using similes, onomatopoeias and adjectives. In Maths, Year 4 have been learning about factors and Year 3 have been consolidating subtracting.

Next week...

We hope to see you next week singing carols around the tree.

Year 5/6

This Week...

Year 5&6 have been deepening their understanding of our class novel (Letters from the lighthouse) by immersing ourselves in the text, and practising skills in preparation for writing postcards about different events from the story, and from different perspectives! Some of year 6 have finally moved onto fractions with the others due to soon after fine tuning their understanding of order of operations! We've been enjoying learning completely new concepts! Year 5 have consolidated the first of their two operations, and are now working at becoming multiplication masters starting with multiples and factors! All classes are in different places with the other subjects so please check in with their class teacher, or look at the overview for a reminder of all we have been/will be doing!

Next Week...

Children will be work to create their final propaganda posters, reflect on their feelings about such a devastating war, and also do a fieldwork trip to a local WWII memorial.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS NEXT HALF TERM



Focused on
Enrichment

Football, Music and Drama clubs will continue

Scotland Road Year 1/2 Multisports on a MONDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/ueGvWvhR0B> <https://forms.office.com/e/rqitv9AKKG>

Scotland Road Year 3/4 Beginners Chess on a MONDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/TC96d9UQxT>

Scotland Road Year 4 Timetable Rockstar Club on a TUESDAY

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

Scotland Road Year 3/4 Indoor Circuits & Games on a TUESDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/c7V5J5it1t>

Kersall Drive Year 1/2 Design Club on a TUESDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/3UCJbg9MKn>

Kersall Drive Year 3/4 Drama Club on a TUESDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/qe9cb1hxxG>

Kersall Drive Year 3/4 Book Club on a THURSDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/p5qNDbDQFN>

Kersall Drive KS2 Sewing Club on a THURSDAY

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

Kersall Drive Year 1/2 Multisports on a FRIDAY

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