Heathfield Primary & Nursery School Weekly News - 22nd September 2023



School Development Aims 2023/24:

We are always looking at ways to improve Heathfield and the outcomes and progress for our children. Last year we launched our 'Thriving Together' message, the children worked on remembering more of what they were learning, we improved attendance and the new leaders in school set out a long term plan for the school. These are our aims for this year - parents can help with one or two of these too!













REMINDER: Year 5&6 Trip to the Space Centre

KD: Tuesday 26th September

SR: Thursday 28th September

Including Everyone

Children need to arrive at school by 8:30 and will hopefully arrive back at school between 3:30 - 3:45.

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**.

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.

Friends of Heathfield

Would you like meet other parents, get to know school staff and support us with fundraising events that make a real difference to your child's school experience?

Please join us at our Scotland Road campus for our first Friends of Heathfield meeting on Thursday 28th September at 2.30pm. This is for both campuses. Developing Global Citizer Whole School Attendance: 95% (S)



Attendance Champions of the week...

Aiming High Scotland Road - Flamingoes 100%!

Kersall Drive – Eagles 99.5%

Important dates coming up:



Y5/6 Space Centre trip
26 th Kersall Drive children
28 th Scotland Road children
Friends of Heathfield meeting at
Scotland Road
Harvest Festival Foodbank Collection
Year 5&6 Film Premiere
3:30-6:30
Open Classroom Parent Event
Y3 School Sleepover
12 th Kersall Drive children
19 th Scotland Road children
Nov Half Term
Y6 Secondary School application
deadline

Link to Parent Handbook

Year 6 Parents: Apply for your child's secondary school place by 31st October 2023. Click this link: Apply for a Secondary School Place - Nottingham City Council

Applications made after the closing date may reduce your chances of getting a place at your preferred school, particularly if it is popular. Only apply for schools you are happy for your child to attend to avoid being without a school place in September 2024. Not all children get first choice so a suitable second or third choice should be made.

Attendance:

'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.'

'Our pupils are expected to attain a minimum of 96% attendance' - please follow this link to find out more about illness and the effects of not attending school. https://shorturl.at/dioBW . If you have any questions, please speak to Mr Battison or Miss Papp.





Careers Education at Heathfield

This year we are starting to embed careers related learning into our curriculum through a project called Start Small, Dream Big. Through this project we will support children in developing an awareness of a wide range of jobs and careers and challenge stereotypes. This week your children had an assembly where they met a woman construction worker called Kimberley and heard about the types of jobs there are on a building site and the skills she needs to do her work well. They also met an award-winning male florist called Jonathan who designs and creates huge installations and flower arrangements. He described his job as being his dream job and spoke of the many skills he needs to do it. Do talk to your children about these jobs and help them to notice the many different jobs within our society.

Flu Immunisation Friday 17th November 2023

Children in Reception and upwards are offered a free flu vaccination in school on 17th Nov 23. Please see below the link for the consent forms https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/3e83e58

For more information please see the NHS booklet attached https://shorturl.at/ahjov



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.

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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.

Harvest Festival Food Bank Collection:

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 Monday 2nd October at Scotland Road and Wednesday 4th October at Kersall Drive.



Happy, Safe

Concerns About Behaviour?

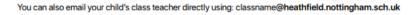
We aim to deal with any queries or concerns as soon as we are aware of the issue, so please speak to us. Please speak to your child's teacher first and then the Phase Leader / Deputy if required.







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.





Does your child have ASD? Click this link for support on offer from the City Hospital



Parent Sessions

Children's Development Centre, City Hospital

> September 2023 -August 2024

Year 5&6 Film Premiere REMINDER

Come and join us at the Year 5&6 film premiere on Thursday 5th October. The children would like to share their films persuading you why you should visit space.

There will be a **£1 entry fee** for parents; you will receive popcorn and a drink for you and your child. All proceeds will go towards future events in Year 5&6.

Doors will open at 15:25 and the film will begin at 15:30.

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



This year Heathfield Primary School we will be working towards achieving the SENDIA Award.

This award recognises schools who demonstrated and the second schools who demonstrated education for pupils with SEND. The award framework focuses on inclusive and adaptive teaching. Through doing the award we will be able to evaluate impact to improve classroom practice and outcomes for pupils with SEND. If you would like some more information about SENDIA you can find it here

https://www.awardplace.co.uk/award/sendia

As part of the initial school self-evaluation we will be sending a questionnaire to parents of children who currently attend Heathfield with SEND. Please look out for the link which will be sent via text message.



Focused on



Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

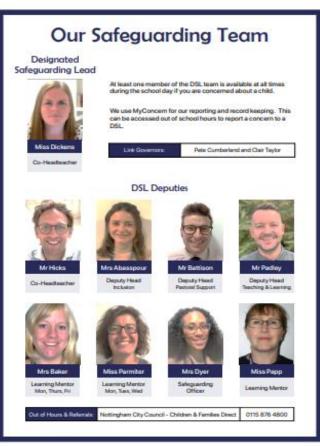
SENDIA

This half term we are focusii

Strong emotional connections are 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.







Click on the logo to join our private Facebook group to keep updated with School events...

EYFS

This Week...

In F1 we have made our own houses for the Three Little Pigs. We have imagined how the pigs and wolf feels at different times in the story.

In F2 we have made story maps of Goldilocks and the Three Bears and we have become really confident retelling our story as a group, to a partner and on our own. **Next Week...** In F1 we will be retelling our story of The Three Little Pigs using story maps, puppets and actions to help us.

In F2, we will begin to learn about where we live. We will think about our journey to school and begin to learn about some key features of Nottingham. We will use The Train Ride by June Crebbin as a stimulus.

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This Week... in year 1 we are still enjoying reading through The Big Book of Transport. We've been working hard to remember that the capital letter goes at the beginning of the sentence and the full stop at the end! In maths we have been continuing our work on place value. We have used tens frames and objects to find one more and count on to 10. In year 2 we have been adding adjectives to our labels and captions. We are writing our non-fiction texts about construction workers. In maths we a writing numbers to 100 and practised partitioning into tens and ones. During our topic time, we have begun to plan our science experiment based on transporting a ball. In history we have been comparing old transport to new transport by looking at the similarities and differences between the two!

Next Week... we will be starting our new text 'Man on the

Moon'



Year 3/4

This Week... we have been retelling the narrative 'The Great Kapok Tree'. Year 3 and 4 have been eager to include their knowledge from their science lessons too, all about ' living things'. In Maths, we have been using our Place Value knowledge using a range of representations. Year 4 have been really keen to learn about numbers up to 10,000.

Year 4's have been introduced to stringed instrument lessons, listening to the cello, viola and violin.

Next Week...

Year 4's will get to play their chosen instrument for the first time (cello, violin or viola)

Y3's- please sign up to the sleepover!

Year 5/6

This Week... We have finally got to write our non-chronological reports all about planets: all of our teachers have been really impressed with the layouts we have used, and how well we've remembered the information we've learnt in Science to support our report writing. In maths, Y6 have consolidated elements of place value such as comparing, ordering and rounding! Year 5 have been building up their understanding of numbers up to a million. Both year 5 and 6 have explored shape too as we need some major 2D shape revision! We've also begun to prepare our films for our upcoming film premiere, and we look forward to gaining more information for these on our trip next week...

Coming up...

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SPACE CENTRE TRIPS – sign permission if you haven't already!