

Heathfield Primary & Nursery School

Weekly News – 13th October 2023

Thriving Together

Knowledge • Nurture • Enrichment

Enrichment at Heathfield:

We know our children learn better and make good progress when they have real life experiences. This half term we have had trips, bus journeys, visitors, overnight camps, afterschool clubs, open evenings on top of our usual timetable. All of this is not possible without the staff going above and beyond to plan the experiences and give up their time to make them happen. We will continue to enrich our curriculum offer and look forward to exciting things coming up next half term. Please show your support with signing consent forms on time and contributing towards our heavily subsidised activities. It's not possible unless we Thrive Together! Thank you ☺



'Friends of Heathfield' Fundraising News:

To celebrate the end of a wonderful half term we will be holding a

Feel-Good Friday Non-Uniform Day on Friday 20th October 2023

Your child can wear the clothes that make them feel great (dress up costumes and favourite clothes).

£1 donation per family which will go towards school fund which pays for prizes and activities.

Whole School Attendance: 93.4%

Attendance Champions of the week...

Scotland Road – Lions 100%

Kersall Drive – Falcons 96.9%



Important dates coming up:

19 th Oct	SR Y3 Sleepover
17 th Oct	Y3/4 Parent printing Workshop (SR)
18 th Oct	Y3/4 Parent printing Workshop (KD)
19 th Oct	Nursery Leaf Hunt
20 th Oct	Non-Uniform Day - £1
20 th Oct – 6 th Nov	Half Term
7 th Nov	KD Spooky Monster Mash Disco
9 th Nov	SR Spooky Monster Mash Disco
13 th Nov	Y3/4 Warwick Castle Trip
17 th Nov	Flu Immunisation
20 th Dec	End of Term

Link to [Parent Handbook](#)

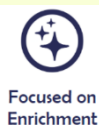
Job Vacancies at Heathfield – final reminder!



If you are interested, please complete your application and return to the office no later than 16th October. Thank you

Year 6 Parents: Last Reminder! 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.



Monster Mash Spooky Disco

During the first week back after half-term, we will be having an after-school, spooky-themed disco. There will be a DJ, music, lights, games and prizes! Children can dress up in their spookiest outfits or non-uniform clothes.

There will be a **spooky shop** for children to buy various items (sweets, light-up bracelets and spooky squishies – all priced between 50p - £1) so children can bring money (in a named envelope/purse/wallet). All money raised will go towards our school fund, which we use to purchase multiple things to support our curriculum including our Rainbow Reading prizes. **Tickets are limited and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. They can be purchased through the school-gateway app.**

Details of the event are below:

Kersall Drive	Tuesday 7 th November	Scotland Road	Thursday 9 th November
Ticket Price: £3			
Reception, Y1 + Y2	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Please send children to school with their party clothes and they will get changed in school. Collect from main office.	
Y3 – Y6	4:45pm – 6:00pm	Drop-off from 4:45pm and collect at 6pm from main office.	

Please note that all children will need to be collected by an adult as it will be dark at 6pm.

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/3e83e586>.

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



Healthy Attitudes

Allergies: We have a number of children in school who have allergies to various foods which is managed successfully by the kitchen. However, a couple of children have severe nut allergies and are being put at risk by snacks and packed lunches which are brought into school by others.

We are a NUT FREE school.

Please check the ingredients of anything which goes in a lunchbox.



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Year 2 Residential to Walesby

If your child has received a place on our Year 2 residential to Walesby you will be informed the first week back after half term. Information on paying your deposit and trip instalments will also be shared at this time. If your child does not receive a place due to numbers, they will be placed on the reserve list and if anyone drops out or does not pay their deposit you will be informed of a space.

Seahorses and Jellyfish parents:

Please come and join us on **Thursday 19th October** as 'We're Going on a Leaf Hunt!'

- **11.20am** for morning children
- **2.45pm** for afternoon or full time children



Open Classrooms

Many thanks to all of the parents/carers who came to the Open Classroom event on Wednesday - we hope it was a valuable experience for you to see how your child has settled into school since September, looking through their books and speaking to their teacher/teaching assistant.

If you missed the opportunity please speak to the class teacher for another convenient time.

**Open
Classroom
Feedback**

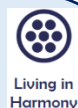
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Official sign-up for Y6 London Residential 2024 is open! Please see here:

<http://heathfieldprimary.org.uk/wp/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/INFO-PP.pdf>

for necessary information. If you then wish to sign your child up, please give permission and pay the £20 deposit on the school gateway by the 13th December. Please ask any member of Y5/6 staff if you have any questions, or email the class email accounts. We hope to have as many coming as possible to make it a real end-of-year event for Y6 before they leave!



School Uniform

Uniform is now available to purchase via the Just School Wear Website.

<https://tinyurl.com/nhwfw3p>

We still have a selection of uniform in certain sizes available to purchase from school. We will continue to sell water bottle on the School Gateway App.

Uniform is important to create school identity and to ensure all children are included. We have pre-loved uniform available at school for **FREE!**

Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

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



Connection is as essential to parents as it is to our children.

Kids who feel strongly connected to their parents and adults **WANT** to cooperate and work with us.

Play and laughter strengthens the connection with our children. Making laughter and play a daily habit also gives your child a chance to enjoy their time with you, laugh out the anxieties and upsets and it also emotionally soothes and settles them.

Remember – 'We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing!'



Year 3/4 Warwick Castle Trip



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On Monday 13th November 2023, Year 3 and 4 will be going on a trip to Warwick Castle. This trip links to our Tudor topic and provides our children with the opportunity to spend time in a real castle and learn many interesting facts about the Tudors.

We will be leaving school at 8:30am and expect to return by 4:15pm, traffic depending.

School will be paying for the transport and part of the tickets for each pupil. We are asking parents/carers for a voluntary contribution of £7.00 for this trip.

Please provide consent for your child to attend this trip via our school gateway app.

We are looking for parent volunteers! If you can help us by coming on the trip, please let your child's class teacher know via email.

toucans@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

parrots@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

flamingos@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

[Pelicans@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:pelicans@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk)

Falcons@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

Peacocks@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

Eagles@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

Thank you...



Happy, Safe and Confident

Our Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss Dickson
Co-Headteacher

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.

Link Governors:

Pete Cumberland and Clare Taylor

DSL Deputies



Mr Hicks
Co-Headteacher



Mrs Abasspou
Deputy Head Inclusion



Mr Battison
Deputy Head Personal Support



Mr Padley
Deputy Head Teaching & Learning



Mrs Baker
Learning Mentor Mon, Thurs, Fri



Miss Parrish
Learning Mentor Mon, Tues, Wed



Mrs Dyer
Safeguarding Officer



Miss Papp
Learning Mentor

Out of Hours & Referrals: Nottingham City Council - Children & Families Direct 0115 876 4800



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

EYFS

This Week...

F1 have continued to retell the Bear Hunt story and have used their senses to experience the different settings in the story. We also bought our own bears to school to have a teddy bears picnic. We made teddy bear themed snacks and danced with our teddies!

In F2, we have continued to learn to retell our Bus Ride story. Ask your child to tell it to you at home! We have also looked at the difference between a city and a rural environment.

Next Week...

In F1 we are going to go on a leaf hunt and look at signs of Autumn. In F2, we are going to look more closely at Robin Hood and Nottingham Castle. We are also going to remember everything we have learnt this half term! Next week in F1 and F2 we will also be celebrating Black History month by thinking about our rights and learning about significant figures such as Martin Luther King and Marcus Rashford who have stood up for people's rights.

KS1

This Week... in KS1 both Year 1 and Year 2 started to explore a new book called 'Rocket says Look Up' which looks exciting and we can't wait to find out more about what Rocket gets up to. Year 1 have started by writing simple sentences about parts of the story making sure to start with capital letters, use finger spaces in between words and finish with a full stop. Year 2 started the week by hunting for pieces of the front cover, creating questions from the little bits they found and then predicting what they think might happen. In Maths Year 1 have been consolidating all they have learnt about place value and will be moving onto their next unit addition and subtraction next week. Year 2 have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s- spotting patterns and finding missing numbers. In RE we have been looking at the Christian story of creation and making creation wheels. In History the children now finding out about Neil Armstrong & his journey to the moon.

Next Week... is our final week of Transport. If you haven't completed any of our creative homework's given out at the start of the half term yet please do as we'd love to display them.

KS1 at Kersall Drive will be going on their local walk to carry out transport surveys on the afternoon of Thursday 19th October 2023. If you would like to support us with this walk please speak to your child's class teacher.

Our new topic overview and creative homework will be shared at the end of next week in homework books so you can see what we are going to be learning about after the holiday. Keep an eye out for it!

Year 3/4

This Week we have been writing Non-Chronological reports comparing the Amazonian Rainforest with London. We have used facts from our planning and research stage of writing. Ask us about the Yanonami Tribe's houses and jobs compared to houses and jobs in London! In Maths, we have started learning about addition and subtraction, including formal written methods for addition. In Geography, we are learning about countries in the UK and their cities. ask us to locate on map! On Thursday evening, the Y3's at Kersall Drive were focused on enrichment, sleeping over in school. They enjoyed marshmallow toasting, a film and team activities before camping in tents.

Next Week...

Year 3 sleepover (for Scotland Road children) on Thursday 19th October.

Printing workshops - parent invite!
2.15pm-2.30pm Scotland Road Tuesday 17th October, Kersall Drive Wednesday 18th October

Warwick Castle Trip - 13th November
Everyone- please consent for your child to go via the gateway app. Let your class teacher know if you are able to come with us on the day.

Year 5/6

This Week... Year 6 have got stuck into their four operations in maths, and SR found a missing numbers lesson particularly challenging! They must try to not fall for Miss Shaw's tricks. Y5 have spent more time consolidating their negative number knowledge. Both year groups have continued their work on 2d and 3d shapes as well including looking at angles. Kersall Drive have been writing character descriptions about their own alien characters whilst Scotland Road have been writing diary entries from the perspective of Lucky (the main character in Phoenix). It's been so great to see their confidence with vocabulary, figurative language and sentence structure. Oreos found their way into our science lesson to help us with understanding the phases of the moon.

Next Week...

Black History Week: What are some of the pivotal moments of history in the story of civil rights and equality?

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- Nottingham City Council

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS NEXT HALF TERM



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Enrichment

Football, Music and Drama clubs will continue

Scotland Road Y5/6 Handball on a MONDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/bQ3DzHExyX>

Scotland Road Multisports Y3/4 on a MONDAY

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

Kersall Drive Y5/6 Netball on a TUESDAY

<https://forms.office.com/e/6r6sEm4nDY>

Kersall Drive Y3/4 Multisports on a FRIDAY

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

LTA BIG TENNIS WEEKENDS

COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN

4 free tennis sessions run by professional coaches

14-15 October 2023
Lexus Nottingham Tennis Centre, NG7 2QH

LTA BIG TENNIS WEEKENDS

14-15 OCTOBER 2023
Morning session: 10:30-12:30
Afternoon session: 14:00-16:00

- Free of charge and no need to book in advance
- All activities indoor and all equipment provided
- Run by professional tennis coaches
- Suitable for ages 3-10

For more details, visit:
bit.ly/BigTennisWeekendNTC

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