



# Heelands School News

The Best You Can Be—Everyone, Every Day

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 15<sup>th</sup> May**      **School Census Day**  
*Linked to Government Funding*
- 15<sup>th</sup> May**      **OAK Class Cricket Trip**  
*Please make sure you have given permission for your child to attend*
- 20<sup>th</sup> May**      **ASH Class—Immersion Day**  
*Children are invited to come to school dressed as Superheroes.*
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May**      **END of Summer Term (1)**  
*School closes at 3:10pm for the May Half-Term Break*
- MAY Half-Term**  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May**
- 02<sup>nd</sup> June**      **School OPEN**  
*School opens at 8:30am for the Start of Summer Term (2)*
- 09<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> June**      **MAPLE Phonics Testing Week**  
*Year 1 only*
- 13<sup>th</sup> June**      **INSET Day**  
*School CLOSED to Pupils*
- 01<sup>st</sup> July**      **Sports Afternoon**  
*Details to be confirmed*
- 08<sup>th</sup> July**      **Reserve Sports Afternoon**  
*Additional date in case of adverse weather for 1st July*
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July**      **END of Summer Term (2) and the Academic Year**  
*School closes at 3:10pm for the Summer Break*
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July**      **INSET Day**  
*School CLOSED to Pupils*

## HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today it is all about Oak class!

I want to start by saying a big thank you to the parents and carers of children in Oak class as they have won the attendance award three weeks in a row now. We know that it can sometimes be a challenge to get your child to school every day and on time and we are grateful for the huge effort put into this. There is always great excitement during our Friday assembly when the winning class is announced. Greater excitement when the class have their ten minutes extra play-time with a biscuit.

Oak class also have the greatest number of children arriving to school for when the doors open at 8.30 a.m. – Learning starts immediately and those children who arrive at this time benefit from 75 minutes extra work each week. Feedback from teachers across the school is that children who get their early work done are at an advantage as they are able to practise and consolidate key skills and concepts. If you and your child rush through the gate at 8.45 a.m. perhaps next week could be a good chance to get in that little bit earlier.

As we were enjoying the extra play today, I chatted to the children in Oak Class about their favourite aspect of being at this school..

*"You get to see your friends every day."*

*"I like the part where we have a cookie at playtime."*

*"I liked learning about the Titanic."*

*"P.E is my favourite thing to do because I like exercise."*

*"The teachers are all really kind to you every day."*

When Ian and I joined Heelands, these children were just 4 and 5 years old and it truly has been a privilege and a pleasure to watch them growing into the kind, hardworking Year 2 children they are.

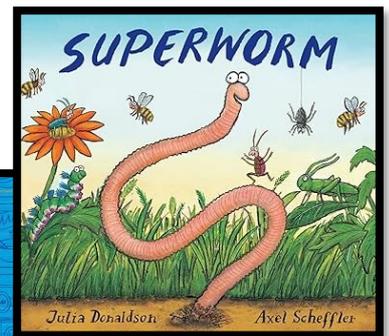
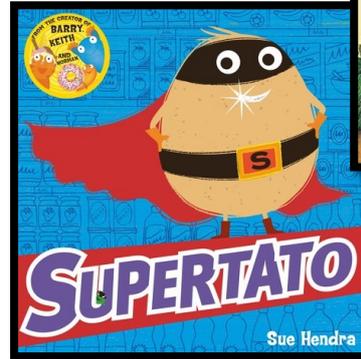
Have a wonderful weekend.  
See you at the gate on Monday!  
(As close to 8.25 am as you can!)

*Becky Daley*  
**Associate Head**



## EYFS - Ash

Ash class have been really enjoying our Superhero topic. In Literacy we have started a new book Superworm by Julia Donaldson. They have searched for worms (pasta) in the soil and written descriptions of Superworm using our knowledge of special friends. In maths we have been making teen numbers using numicon, ten frames and practising writing the numbers too. We are also learning to count beyond 20, recognising number patterns. We are now moving onto looking at adding within 10. We have also been learning about people that help us in everyday life and are our real superheroes. In expressive arts we have made Supertato and a worm linked to the stories we have read. The children are really embracing the topic and enjoying their learning.



## YEAR 1 - Maple

We have been enjoying our Hero Hunters topic so far this half term! We had lots of fun on our Immersion day, dressing up as superheroes and creating our own superhero badges!

We have been learning about our senses in Science, and have enjoyed our different experiments – in particular our taste testing!



## YEAR 2 - Oak

We have set off on an Adventure around the world with The Three Bears, who need a break after Goldilocks upset their home! We have been busy tasting different bread from all the different continents and took a class vote to decide which bread we will recreate. Australian Fairy bread was the winner! We then explored how bread is made and have begun to design our own shapes (using plasticine to practise our shaping skills) for our fairy bread to make the product more appealing to the consumer.

Closer to home in Geography we have been learning all about maps and atlases and have made a sketch map of Heelands local area and a 3D model map. Over the next few weeks our adventures with the bears will continue as we write baby bear a bedtime story and make clothes for their holiday!



## Celebration Assemblies...

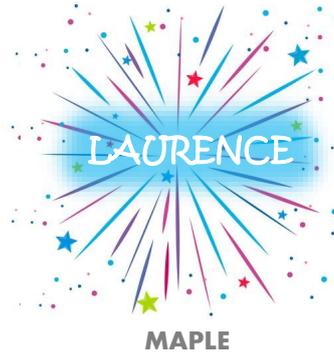


Congratulations to our Sparkler Children. These assemblies celebrate children's efforts in all areas of work and play.

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Congratulations to our children who have excelled in all areas of our 4 core values:  
**RESILIENCE, RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT, RESTORATIVE**



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## Cricket...



# JOIN THE FUN AT OLD BRADWELL NEW CITY CRICKET CLUB

Looking for an exciting way to introduce your child to cricket? Our **\*\*All Stars\*\*** and **\*\*Dynamos\*\*** programmes are the perfect way to get them started!

### ☀ **\*\*All Stars Cricket (Ages 5-8)\*\***

Give your little ones their first taste of cricket with **\*\*8 weeks of action-packed fun\*\***! They'll learn new skills, make friends, and receive their very own **\*\*personalised kit\*\***. No experience needed—just enthusiasm!

 **\*\*Sign up today:\*\***

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For kids ready to take their cricket skills to the next level, **\*\*Dynamos Cricket\*\*** is the perfect step up! With **\*\*game-based learning\*\***, countdown cricket matches, and a **\*\*personalised New Balance t-shirt\*\***, they'll feel like real cricket stars!

 **\*\*Register now:\*\***

Let's make cricket **\*\*accessible, fun, and inclusive\*\*** for all! Spread the word and help us build a thriving cricket community at Old Bradwell.

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