23rd May 2025



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

23 rd May	END of Summer Term (1)
	School closes at 3:10pm for the
	May Half-Term Break

MAY Half-Term Monday 26th May — Friday 30th May

)2 nd June	School OPEN
	School opens at 8:30am for the
	Start of Summer Term (2)

06th June MAPLE Class Immersion Day Come dressed as a Pirate or Fairy

09th-12th MAPLE Phonics Testing Week June Year 1 only

13th June **INSET Day** School CLOSED to Pupils

20th June **OAK Class Immersion Day** Come in dress-down clothes and bring a

drawing or photograph of your home.

- 07th Julv **OAK Class** Visit to a local book shop to choose a book
- 08th July Sports Afternoon Details to be confirmed
- 11th July Transition Day Ash and Maple classes
- 18th July Transition Afternoon Ash and Maple classes
- 22nd July **OAK Class Leavers Assembly** 9:15am Families invited
- 22nd Julv END of Summer Term (2) and the Academic Year School closes at 3:10pm for Summer Break

23rd July **INSET Day** School CLOSED to Pupils

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful term at Heelands Primary School, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and involvement in school life

It's been a joyful term full of learning, laughter, and growth. Our pupils have truly embraced every challenge and opportunity with enthusiasm and resilience, and we are incredibly proud of all that they have achieved.

From EYFS to Year 2, our pupils have made great progress across the curriculum. We've seen creative writing flourish, maths skills sharpen, and a genuine love of reading blossom in so many of our children. As the weather has become warmer, the children have been learning outside as teachers have creatively planned and set different opportunities. up

Next Term there will be a strong focus on transition to new classes and school and looking ahead to September 2025.

Ash Class will move to Maple class with Mrs Lui Maple Class will move to Oak Class with Mrs Mills

There will be one whole day of transition on Friday 11th July and one afternoon on Friday 18th July. This will give our current Ash and Maple class time with their new teachers.

Dates for our Year 2 pupils to visit their new schools are on page 5.

Staff changes – Mrs Foster who has been at Heelands for 28 years will retire at the end of the next term. She has new and exciting family changes, and we wish her every happiness.

Mrs Money will return to Ash Class on 2nd July following her maternity leave.

Roof - After 8 months of uncertainty and frustration roof repairs will commence during the half term break. Please can we remind parents not to drive into the car park as there will be fencing and scaffolding up.

Wishing you all a happy half term break

Becky Daley Associate Head



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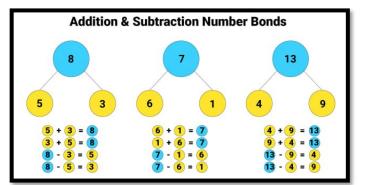
EYFS - Ash

Ash class have had a great week. They have thoroughly enjoyed our Superhero topic and have loved reading the text Supertato and Superworm.

In maths we have been looking at number bonds and subtraction techniques beyond the number 10.

The children have been enhancing their co-ordination with throwing and catching in PE and using Superhero techniques.

Well done Ash class on another great topic.



YEAR 1 - Maple

This week in Maple class we have been very busy.

In maths we have been learning how to find half and a quarter of a shape or a quantity. This has helped enhance our fractions knowledge.

In DT the children enjoyed making their own structures using different materials such as paper cups, cardboard rolls and strong tape, ensuring they were stable. They were very successful and the children had lots of exploratory fun!

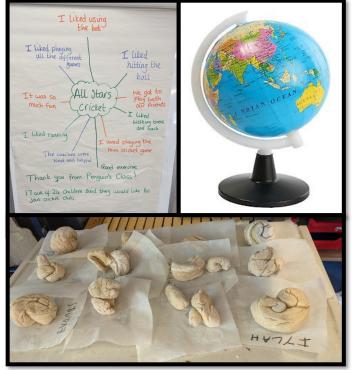


YEAR 2 - Oak

We have been on amazing adventures around the world with the three bears this term. Baby bear wanted a new bedtime story so we innovated the traditional tale of The Three Little Pigs and we had all sorts of animals from dolphins to capybaras building houses of seaweed and palm trees. Some of the villains in our stories met fateful ends in bear traps and cooking pots whilst others were forgiven by their prey and made new friends. We hope Baby bear enjoyed all these new tales as he travels the globe.

We learnt how to use atlases and maps to find out about different countries and learn how to plan a route. This helped us on our local walk to the cricket club as we could understand the map. We had a great time learning to play cricket and many of us said we would like to play in the future.

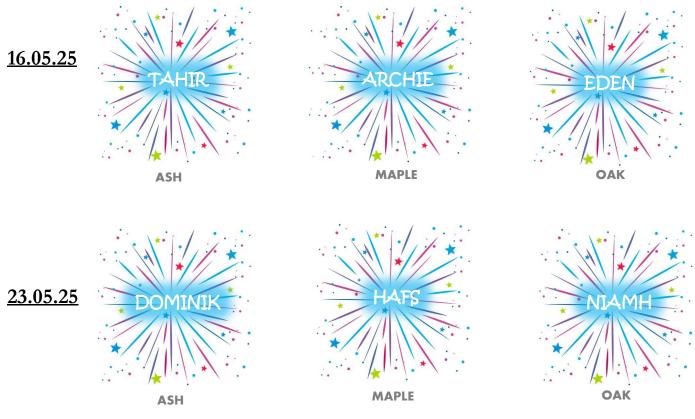
Finally we designed and made our Australian fairy bread. We learnt to make dough and shape it into knots, scrolls, plaits and spirals. We decorated it with sprinkles to make it fairy bread and then ate it under the Oak tree.



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Celebration Assemblies...

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



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

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MAPLE



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Year 2 Cricket Trip...

THURSDAY 15TH MAY

Year 2 children from the Blue Sky Federation had an excellent afternoon learning to play cricket, thanks to the coaches of Old Bradwell new city cricket club.

After an early lunch and a short walk we arrived and began to play games like volcanoes and mountains, yes no and quick cricket. These games taught us the listening, handling and teamwork skills needed to play the game.

The weather was a little cold but the energy and fun was high.

The children behaved beautifully and many said they enjoyed the sessions, hoping they could join the club in the future . Thank you to the coaches for this opportunity.



Curriculum Summer Term (2)...

Below are the list of new topics that each year group will be starting for Summer Term (2) when we come back to school on Monday 2nd June.

ASH Class: The new topic is **'Oh I Do Like To Be Beside The Seaside.'** We will be focusing on different environments, and human impact with a look at the books Sharing a Shell and Pirates wear Underpants.



MAPLE Class:The new topic is 'Far, Far Away.' We will be learning about toys from the past, and we will be focusing on
Peter Pan for English to link with our Art on mystical lands!
Immersion day is on Friday 6th June and children are invited to dress up as a pirate or a fairy.



OAK Class:

The new topic is 'No Place Like Home.' Immersion day is on Friday 20th June. Children are invited to come to school in dress-down clothing, but please bring a drawing or photograph of your home. We will also be going on a local area walk to look at different types of homes.



Transition Days...

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CLASS MOVE-UP

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<u>YEAR 2</u>



BRADWELL VILLAGE SCHOOL

26th June 2025 – Picnic Day – 10am to 12.45pm Children will be taken by **Heelands staff**

3rd July 2025 – Whole transition day – 9.30am to 2.45pm - Children will be taken by Heelands staff



BUSHFIELD SCHOOL

1st July 2025 – Transition Morning Only Parents/Carers take and collect children

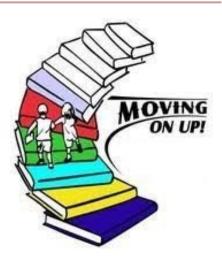


STANTON SCHOOL

2nd July 2025 – Transition Morning Only **Parents/Carers** take and collect children

TWO MILE ASH SCHOOL 1st July 2025 – Transition Day – 9am – 3pm **Parents/Carers** take and collect children





Mental Health Fundraising...

Our fantastic Miss Sarah Bell and Miss Marie Saunders have been participating in the 100 Miles in May challenge to benefit Rethink Mental Illness, a cause deeply meaningful to them both. Rethink's mission is to improve the lives of those affected by severe mental illness. They aim to raise awareness to help everyone know that support is available for anyone struggling with mental illness. <u>100 miles in May</u>

Every donation significantly contributes to their objective. If you are able to, please do consider donating; the funds raised will provide essential services, including support groups and educational resources for individuals and families affected by mental illness. We hope to encourage open conversations about mental health, emphasising that it's okay to not feel okay, but there is help available. No one should face mental health challenges alone.

They have been wearing green throughout May to show their support for mental health awareness. We also plan to involve the children at Heelands in this amazing challenge; they will join us for the final mile after half term.

So far, together they have managed to raise an amazing £375 for this amazing charity.

Thank you to everyone who has supported them! If you would like to sponsor them, you can do so at either of their below fundraising pages:

MISS BELL Fundraising MISS SAUNDERS Fundraising

They currently have 23 miles remaining and one week left to complete it in. You can do it! If you see them walking around Caldecotte, Willen or Furzton lake during half-term, do give them a wave!

Half-Term ideas...





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