



Heelands School News

The Best You Can Be—Everyone, Every Day

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

20th October	EYFS Phonics Workshop <i>Please make sure you have returned your slip</i>
21st October	EYFS Phonics Workshop <i>Please make sure you have returned your slip</i>
22nd October	Parents Evening <i>3:30pm—5:30pm booking information to be confirmed</i>
22nd October	School Photographs <i>Individual/Sibling</i>
24th October	END of Autumn Term (1) <i>School closes at 3:10pm for October Half-Term</i>
27th Oct– 31st Oct	OCTOBER HALF-TERM
03rd November	INSET Day <i>School CLOSED to Pupils</i>
04th November	School OPEN <i>School OPENS at 08:30am for Autumn Term (2)</i>
04th November	NHS School Nursing Team <i>FLU Vaccinations. Have you given/declined consent?</i>
14th November	Children In Need <i>Details to be confirmed</i>
19th December	END of Autumn Term (2) <i>School closes at 3:10pm for End of Autumn Term Break</i>



HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed so generously to our Harvest donations this year. The response from families has been incredible, and all of the food items will be going directly to our local food bank to support individuals and families in need within our community. It's always heartwarming to see our school come together in such a spirit of kindness and compassion.

A special thank you also goes to Reverend Phil Dunning, who led a thoughtful and engaging Harvest assembly for the children earlier this week. His message about gratitude, sharing what we have, and thinking of others really resonated with the children — and helped them understand the true meaning of Harvest time.

Today we say a very fond farewell to Debbie Walker, who leaves her role as Midday Supervisor after many years of dedicated service. Debbie has been a wonderful part of our lunchtime team, always bringing care, humour, and patience to her work with the children. We'll miss her very much but wish her all the luck in the world as she begins an exciting new chapter in her career. Thank you, Debbie, for everything you've done for our school community.

A quick reminder that our Parents' Evenings are coming up soon. The booking form will be sent out next week, so please keep an eye out for it and sign up for a convenient slot. It's always a great opportunity to celebrate your child's progress and discuss their next steps.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support — it really makes such a difference.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Take care,

Ian Fraser-Kirkup,
Executive Headteacher



EYFS - Ash

Ash class have had another busy few weeks. We continued learning the story 'The Smartest Giant in Town' and now have moved onto familiar fairy tales. This week we have emerged ourselves into the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children have learnt the story, had a go at writing simple CVC words such as big bad and pig and even acted it out with puppets with Mrs Money and Mrs Houghton-Bell.

In the provision we have been builders, created wooden, straw and brick house pictures and even attempted to make our own three little pigs out of playdough. The children are continuing to learn a new sound daily and we are so proud with how many sounds they can remember! In maths we have been sorting objects, comparing and ordering by size. We will continue to look at capacity and mass as the week continues. Now we have the reading challenge please remember to practise their sounds daily, write the sound and green words, this need to then be written in their home reading log.



YEAR 1 - Maple

This week in Maples class we have been busy learning about what RE is. We have started to learn about what Christians believe about God and have been exploring how Christians may behave to take care of the world or each other.

We have started to learn about Autumn in Science, and we had a fun afternoon looking for signs of Autumn on the playground using magnifying glasses! We spotted lots of leaves that had changed colours, and some acorns. Someone even found a spider on it's web with their magnifying glass! Great work Maple.

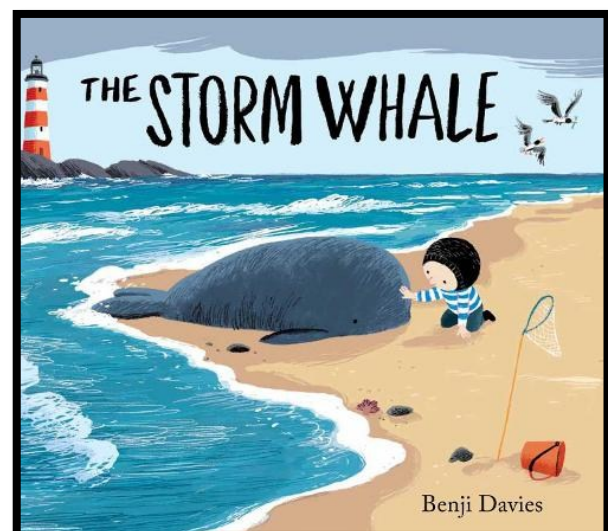


YEAR 2 - Oak

Oak class have been learning more about the world as we have discussed and located the equator and the north and south pole. We have explored which types of animals live in different places and how they are suited to the climate they live in.

In Maths we have been learning about number lines and how to estimate numbers.

In English we are now exploring 'The Storm Whale' and learning how to create interesting sentences for the reader. All this whilst being good role models to the rest of the school. Well done Oak class.



Celebration Assemblies...

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

VALUES

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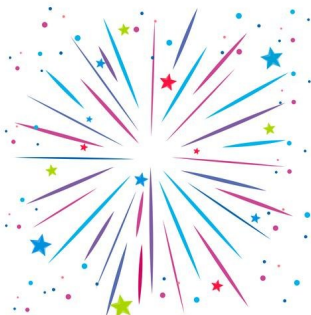


MAPLE



OAK

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MAPLE



OAK

Outside School Achievements...

Has your child made an achievement with an outside club or in anything else outside of school?

Achieved a black-belt in karate? Player of the match in football? Moved up a level in swimming? Competed in a competition?

If your child has made an achievement outside of school we would love to hear about it.

Please email: office@heelands.org with a picture, name of child and class and a brief description of the achievement and we can feature it in the newsletter and on our website.



CELEBRATE YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS

Harvest Assembly

On **Wednesday 1st October** we held our Harvest Assembly with Rev. Phil Dunning attending to talk to the children about the importance of giving and sharing.

We want to say a huge thank you to all our families who donated items for the MK Food Bank. Current times are tough for everyone and the donations received show how generous and kind our families are.

MK Food Bank supports nearly 5,000 families in the Milton Keynes area. Whatever circumstances leave families struggling to keep a roof over their heads, The Food Bank can provide short term, crisis food support.



Long life Juice – Tinned Tuna
Long Life Milk – Tinned Vegetables
Biscuits – Tinned Meat
Tinned Pasta – Tinned Fruit
Pasta Sauces – Dried Rice
Tinned Tomatoes
Tinned Rice Pudding / Custard
Spreads – Jams/Peanut Butter



Parents Evenings...

TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER and WEDNESDAY 22nd OCTOBER:

Information for booking a slot for parents evening will be communicated shortly.

Please make sure you have booked a slot to see your child's teacher. Parents evenings are for you to find out how well your child is doing and settling into their new class.

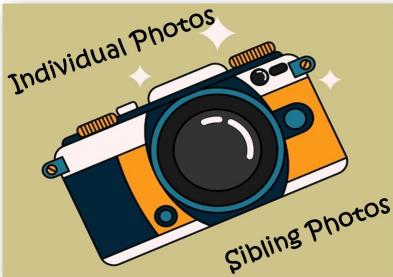
It is a chance for you to ask any questions or raise concerns.

If you need help with booking, please speak to your child's teacher. Thank you.



School Photographs...

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Wednesday 22nd October

Children need to wear FULL uniform.

If your child has PE on this day,
please can they come to school wearing school uniform and
bring their PE kit in a bag to change into. Thank you.

NHS Flu Vaccinations...

The school nursing team will be coming to Heelands school on **4th November** to administer the flu vaccine to children.

You are required to give/decline consent via the online portal for parents/carers.

[ONLINE PORTAL](#)



Can You Help?...

We would love to be able to organise some more events at Heelands now we have our fabulous new Hall floor.

Organising events requires a lot of helping hands and we are just reaching out to see if any of our lovely parent/carers would be able to lend a hand for a few hours to help assist with any events. Be it helping to set-up, run a stall or help tidy away; every helping hand makes the event run smoothly and your help will be invaluable to the children so that we can put on more for them, thank you.

If you would like to help, please do speak to the office or send an email: office@heelands.org. Thank you



P.E. DAYS



ASH (Reception Class) - THURSDAY

MAPLE (Year 1 Class) - WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY

OAK (Year 2 Class) - TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

Children must come to school in their PE kit on their PE day and they will wear it all day.

The PE uniform consists of the following:

- Shorts,
- A plain t-shirt (of any colour)
- Plimsolls/Trainers.
- Jogging bottoms and tops are also allowed in colder weather

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask your class teacher or in the office.

Poppy Appeal 2025 Merchandise

Heelands School is proud to support the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal again this year. We have a selection of items available for purchase to help raise funds for this important cause.

If you would like to buy any items, please send a named envelope into school with your child. The envelope should contain the correct money and a note stating which items you would like.

The items will then be given to your child to bring home.



Suggested Donations

Paper Poppy Badge/ Sticker – 50p

Snap Band - £1.50

Reflector - £1

Bracelet – £1



Thank you for supporting this year's Poppy Appeal

Wraparound Care...

The Blue Sky Federation has combined its wraparound care provision to serve both Heelands and Summerfield children. It is called 'Blue Sky Wraparound Care' and it operates within Heelands School.

We also welcome children from Priory Common and Bradwell Village Schools.

This is run by members of our own staff with a designated Play Leader and three Play Workers.

Please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk to book a place.



CARE CLUB RUNNING TIMES

BREAKFAST CLUB is open at 07:45am till 8:30am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB is open at 3:10pm till 6:00pm

Session Rates for child care from 1st September 2025

BREAKFAST CLUB: £4.00 per session

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: £13.00 per full evening session (includes snack; collection must be by 6.00pm)

BOOKING: Please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk to book a place for September or if you have any queries.

You can also call the number: **01908 316 306** if you would like to speak to someone about our new wraparound provision.

** From Tuesday 2 September 2025 we are combining the Heelands and Summerfield wraparound care to one site at Heelands school.*

Wraparound childcare is care provided outside of standard school hours, typically before school starts in the morning and after it ends in the afternoon. These services support working parents by offering a reliable and safe place for their children to stay, ensuring they are well-cared for while parents are at work.

*The benefits of combining our wraparound care are:
a significant reduction in costs to the combined schools; money which can be reinvested in our children.
consistent delivery of wraparound care across all our Blue Sky children.
the opportunity to enhance our wraparound care services and activities*

Please refer to our [frequently asked questions](#) on our school website; if you have any further questions, please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk or call 01908 316306.

Children Starting School in September 2026...

**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST FOR ONE OF OUR OPEN VIEWING TOURS BY
[CLICKING HERE](#)**



THE BLUE SKY
FEDERATION

OPEN VIEWING TOURS



Spaces available for all year groups. Accepting start of year and in-year admissions.

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day



**Attractive School
Grounds & Facilities**

**Varied & Exciting
Curriculum**

Committed Staff Team

Strong Pastoral Care

Strong links with the Community

Viewing TOURS

(Please email office@heelands.org to book your place)

Wednesday 12th NOVEMBER—2pm / Wednesday 10th DECEMBER—10am

We can arrange tours at other times too to meet your availability. Please contact the school office on the details below.

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