

# Heelands School News

The Best You Can Be—Everyone, Every Day

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

<b>10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Parents Evening</b> 3:30pm—7:30pm <i>An information email has been sent</i>
<b>11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Parents Evening</b> 3:30pm—5:30pm <i>An information email has been sent</i>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>END of Spring Term (1)</b> <i>School CLOSES at 3:10pm</i>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>INSET Day</b> <i>School is CLOSED to Pupils</i>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Feb—20th Feb</b>	<b>February Half-Term</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>School OPEN</b> <i>School OPENS at 08:30am for Spring Term (2)</i>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>ASH Class Immersion Day</b> <i>EYFS Children are invited to come dressed as a Superhero; someone who helps us i.e. Doctor or Nurse</i>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>OAK Class</b> <i>Walking Wood Trip</i>
<b>26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>OAK Class</b> <i>Parents/Carers are invited to come and look at all their children's work and read a book together.</i>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>MAPLES Immersion Day</b> <i>Great Fire of London</i>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>ASH Class</b> <i>Parents/Carers are invited to come and share learning from 2:30pm</i>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>MAPLES Class</b> <i>Parents/Carers are invited to come and share learning from 2:30pm</i>
<b>20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>OAK Class Immersion Day</b> <i>Year 2 children are invited to come to school dressed as a passenger on board the Titanic</i>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>END of Spring Term (2)</b> <i>School CLOSES at 3:10pm</i>

## HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Heelands, we are committed to ensuring that all children have equal access to learning opportunities, experiences and support, regardless of family circumstances.

Your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium, which provides the school with additional funding to help support children and families in a variety of ways.

Who is eligible for Pupil Premium?

Your child may be eligible if you receive any of the below benefits:

- Universal Credit (with a household income within the qualifying threshold)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (with an annual income below the qualifying threshold and not receiving Working Tax Credit)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after stopping work)

Your child may also be eligible if:

- They are looked after by the local authority
- They were previously looked after and left care through adoption, a special guardianship order or a child arrangements order
- They have a parent serving in the armed forces

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and receives universal free school meals, it is still important to register, as this allows the school to receive Pupil Premium funding.

How Pupil Premium can help at Heelands

Through Pupil Premium funding, we are able to offer additional support, including:

- Trips and visits at a 50% reduction, or in some cases free of charge
- Support with the purchase of school clothing and shoes
- Referrals to local support schemes, such as local bike initiatives, where children may be provided with a reconditioned bicycle
- Additional learning and wellbeing support within school

All information is treated confidentially, and accessing this support helps us to continue providing the best possible opportunities for our children.

If you think you may be eligible or would like help checking, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.

Alternatively visit this link:  
[Pupil Premium - Heelands](http://Pupil%20Premium%20-%20Heelands)

Kind regards,

Becky Daley  
**Associate Headteacher**



## EYFS - Ash

We have been busy learning a new story called 'Rosie's Walk', the children have been acting out the story, building windmills and beehives linked to the story and writing about the farm they have designed. They have also labelled a hen in their writing books.

In maths we have been focusing on one more and one less within 5. The children have been using a 5 frames to help find the answer. We have now moved onto capacity where we have been exploring mass and discussing which objects will be heavier or lighter. The children have been pretending to be balancing scales and predicting which object is the heaviest.

Last but not least the children have had some 'egg'citing visitors. Our eggs arrived on Monday and are in an incubator, so far 5 have hatched! They will be with us for another week and we will be doing lots of learning around the chicks.

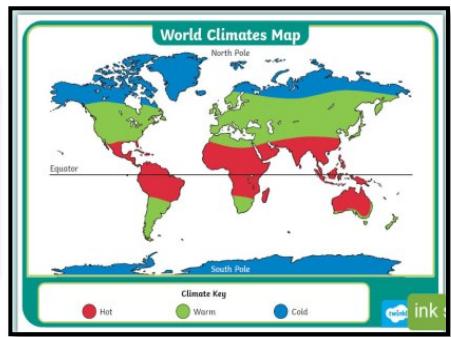


## YEAR 1 - Maple

This week in Maples we have been working really hard on our writing! We have enjoyed writing postcards in the style of Spot the Dog on his adventures around China! I am really proud of the children for how far they have come with their writing this year!

In Geography we have been learning about hot and cold areas of the world, and then compared landmarks in Milton Keynes to China.

The children have loved learning about China.



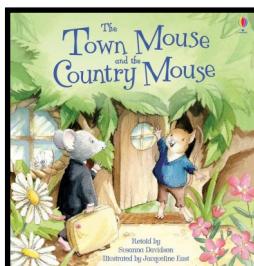
## YEAR 2 - Oak

In Oak class we have been busy planning our own versions of the Town Mouse and Country Mouse story, we have changed the characters names, the foods they eat and the transport they use whilst learning all about word classes and different types of punctuation and how authors use these to create exciting stories.

We have also been learning lots about different animals and how they have adapted to live in different habitats.

In Maths we are becoming increasingly confident in addition and subtraction and we have used a spreadsheet in our computer lessons to make a 100 square.

What busy year 2's we are!



## 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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## Parents Evenings...

**TUESDAY 10th FEBRUARY** 3:30pm–7:30pm

**WEDNESDAY 11th FEBRUARY** 3:30pm–5:30pm

**BOOKING:** An email has been sent regarding how to book your slot via MS Forms and a Teacher will be in touch.

Parents Evenings are a really important opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss how your child is progressing. We strongly advise booking a time slot for parents evening as this is a chance for you to ask any questions and further be informed about your child and the school.



progress writing  
 teacher timetable school together english  
 communication reading homework  
 parents work  
 attainment music  
 art organise  
 time teamwork achievement  
 grades reports  
 behaviour goals

## Family Support Coffee Afternoon...

On Monday 19th January, we held our SEND and Family Support Coffee Afternoon at Summerfield School for parents which was a wonderful way to start the week.

The opportunity to meet up and discuss the challenges children, parents and carers face is incredibly valuable and I am pleased we are able to offer a safe space for these conversations and relationships to develop. I am hopeful that I can invite relevant visitors into school to share and provide further support to our families in the future.

Thank you very much to those parents who attended and Kate Addison who supported conversations and provided hot drinks on a chilly winter day!

If you need support and would like to attend our next coffee afternoon, please look out for further details on the next date.



## Notices...

### SPARE CHANGES OF CLOTHES:

We are kindly asking if you could please return any spare clothes that may have been lent to your child by the school. Our supplies are currently very low, and returning these items will help ensure we can continue to support all children when needed.

Additionally, if your child is prone to having accidents, we would be grateful if you could send a change of underwear/clothing in their bag each day. Thank you.



### MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS AND MEDICINE:

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Please can we remind parents/carers that GP Doctors and Dentist appointments ideally need to be taken outside of the school day or during school holidays. That means please make appointments **BEFORE 08:30 or AFTER 3:10**.

It is extremely disruptive when children have to be taken to appointments during the school day. Not only does your child miss essential learning, but it also interrupts the class when children see another pupil leaving.

(We of course understand that hospital appointments have to be taken when they are given.)

Please be mindful when making appointments, thank you for your co-operation.

#### **MEDICINES:**

It is school policy that we will only give Calpol if it has been prescribed by a Doctor. If it is over the counter then we ask parents to come in.

We do administer antibiotics. Parents are required to complete a yellow medicines form with the details which needs to be signed.



**Large open space**  
**Access to Kitchen Area**  
**Tables and Chairs available**  
**Competitive Rates**



**Heelands School**

**HALL FOR HIRE**  
**Classrooms also available**

Heelands Primary School  
 Grovers Lane  
 Heelands  
 Milton Keynes  
 MK13 7QL

**AVAILABILITY**  
**weekdays and evenings**  
 and during school holidays

**BOOK NOW** **01908 316 306**  
[lettings@heelands.org](mailto:lettings@heelands.org)

**Sporting Groups**  
**Youth Groups**  
**Faith Groups**  
**Dance Groups**  
**Fitness**  
**Language Groups**

**Primary School Applications 2026**  
**DID YOU MISS THE DEADLINE?**

Arrange a visit today to view our fantastic nurturing schools based in Bradwell Common and Heelands.  
 Where your child can discover, learn and play

**NO PROBLEM, APPLY TO US TODAY**

**BOOK A VISIT ANYTIME**  
**SPACES AVAILABLE**  
**COME AND SEE OUR AMAZING SCHOOLS**

**THE BLUE SKY FEDERATION**  
**HEELANDS**  
 Grovers Lane  
 Heelands  
 Milton Keynes  
 MK13 7QL  
 01908 316306  
[heelands.org](http://heelands.org)

**SUMMERFIELD**  
 Downley Avenue  
 Bradwell Common  
 Milton Keynes  
 MK13 8PG  
 01908 662585  
[summerfieldschool.org](http://summerfieldschool.org)

**IS MY CHILD TOO ILL TO GO TO SCHOOL?**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor coughs & cold	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ear infection
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sore throat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cold sores
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conjunctivitis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tonsillitis
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Respiratory infections	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head lice

**GO TO SCHOOL**



<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whooping cough	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Covid
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High temperature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flu
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chickenpox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scarlet fever
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diarrhoea & vomiting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Measles

**STAY AT HOME**



**VOMITING**  
 Your child must be 48 hours clear from the last bout of vomiting before coming back to school

**FEBRUARY HALF-TERM**

School **CLOSES** on Thursday 12th February at 3:15pm  
 Friday 13th February is an **INSET Day**  
 and School is **CLOSED** to Pupils  
 (HALF-TERM Monday 16th—Friday 20th February)

School **OPENS** on Monday 23rd February at 08:45am.

