



Heelands School News

Friendship, Respect, Self-belief, Cooperation, Challenge and Responsibility

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

06th May	May Bank Holiday <i>School closed to Pupils</i>
07th May	School Open <i>School opens at 08:30am</i>
17th May	Monkeys Open Afternoon <i>Parents Welcome</i>
17th May	National Math's Day
22nd May	Monkeys—Immersion Day <i>Superheroes</i>
24th May	END of Half-Term <i>School CLOSSES at 15:10pm</i>
03rd June	School Open <i>School opens at 08:30am (Summer 2 Term)</i>
10th June	Year 1 Phonics Testing
12th June	INSET Day <i>School CLOSED to Pupils</i>
02nd July	Sports Afternoon <i>Details to be confirmed</i>
12th July	School Reports
19th July	End of TERM <i>School CLOSSES at 3:10pm for the End of Year Summer Break</i>
22nd July	INSET Day <i>School CLOSED to Pupils</i>



HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer term! I hope you all managed to enjoy the Easter break and the (relative) improvement in the weather and daylight hours!

We have been straight back into our new learning with our Immersion Days. The children have been dressing up, tasting bread, etc, and have had a really motivating start to their new topics. We have also been using the library service to provide us with topic-specific book boxes to support the learning in each class. As a federation, we won a World Book Day competition and Mrs King at Summerfield has been able to provide a new book to each child across both schools.

Next Friday will be Rebecca Kershaw's last day as an LSA at Heelands. She has been with us over 23 years and has taught hundreds and probably thousands of children during that time...she tells me she also did work experience here in the 90s! Everyone is going to miss her a lot and we will have special events to mark her time with us before she goes on to her new adventures. Thank you, Rebecca, for all you have done for our children, our families and the whole Heelands community over more than two decades.

Have a great weekend when it comes and best wishes,

Best wishes,

Ian Fraser



Thank you

Mrs Kershaw for everything!

Welcome!

We give a warm welcome to **Jim Fitzjohn** who is the new Operations Manager across Heelands and Summerfield.

Do give him a cheery wave if you see him on the gates!

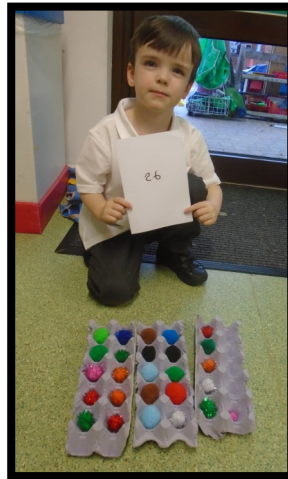


EYFS - Monkeys

Welcome back Monkeys Class! We had a very busy term so we hope you all got some rest over the Easter holidays. Thank you so much to the parents and carers who joined us in the last week to spend some time in Monkey Class and created some lovely art work with your children. The children really do love showing you where they learn and getting you involved with activities. We hope your Sunflowers that were sent home are growing well.

We have started the term with our new topic which is 'How to be a Superhero'. Already we have discussed all the different types of Superheroes we already know (fiction and non-fiction) and throughout this term we will delve deeper into looking at what makes people superheroes, how people help us and why all of Monkey Class are superheroes at Heelands.

In Maths we have been exploring numbers beyond 10, looking at the number pattern as we move towards 20 and the composition. In Literacy we are looking at Superworm by Julia Donaldson; learning the story orally, answering questions about the characters and writing sentences and captions.

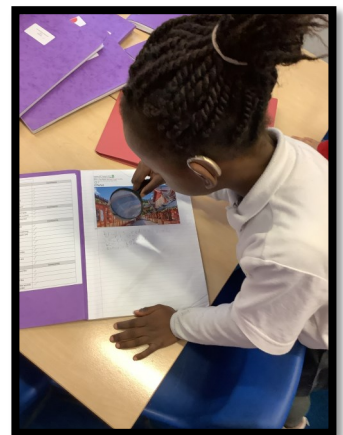
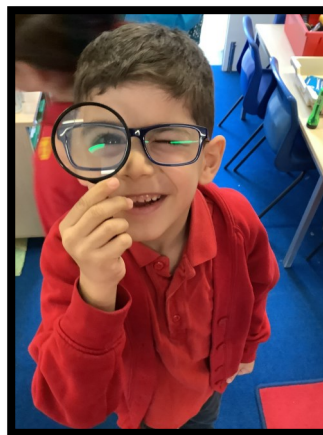


YEAR 1 - Lions

In Lions class this week we have been learning about the different parts of the body in our Science lessons. We have labelled the organs and body parts, and started to look at our different senses!

We have had great fun using magnifying glasses to look at objects around the room. In English we are writing about Supertato and the Veggies Assemble!

We are excited for our Immersion day on Friday to dress up as fictional and non-fictional Superheroes. We will be learning a superhero dance, and designing our own superheroes!

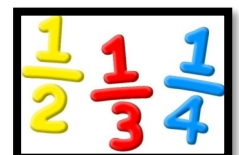
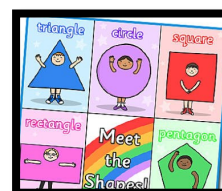


YEAR 2 - Giraffes

Giraffes have had a great first week back. We have now been able to decorate our Titanic sculptures, after waiting so patiently for them to dry!

Then we have enjoyed exploring the world with The Three Bears, reminding ourselves about the continents, countries and capital cities of the world.

In Maths we have started learning about fractions and have enjoyed looking at shapes and groups and deciding if they are equal or unequal.



Celebration Assemblies...

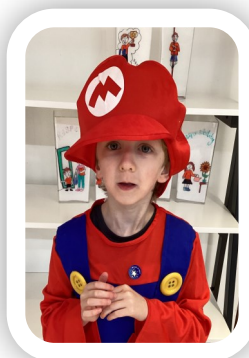
SPARKLER

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

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Logan
MONKEYS

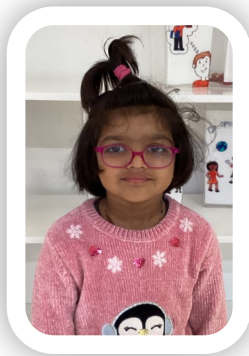


Nova
LIONS



Sam
GIRAFFES

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Dwija
MONKEYS



Emily C
LIONS



Oliwia
GIRAFFES

Congratulations to our children who have excelled in all areas of our 6 core values:

FRIENDSHIP, RESPECT, SELF-BELIEF, CO-OPERATION, CHALLENGE and RESPONSIBILITY

VALUES

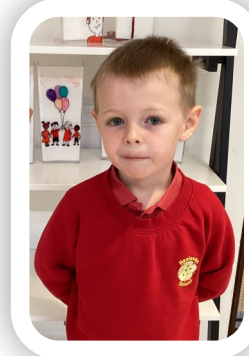
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Mario
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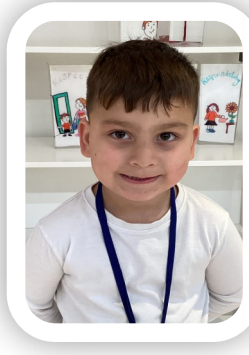


Ilin
LIONS



George
GIRAFFES

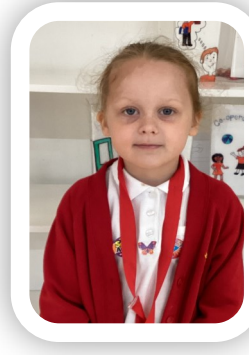
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Greyson
MONKEYS



Myra
LIONS



Winnie-Grace
GIRAFFES

Wear A Hat & Dress-Down Day...

On Thursday 28th March we held a wear a Hat and Dress-Down Day in support of Brain Tumour Research.

We raised an incredible total of **£637.45** with online donations and pin badges through the Blue Sky Federation.

A deep heartfelt "Thank you" to everybody who supported this event.

Brain Tumour Trust



World Book Day Competition Winners...



We are super excited to share with you that Summerfield School won a World Book Day book competition.

As part of The Blue Sky Federation, Heelands has also received a number of these books. Every child in Heelands school has had the opportunity to choose a fantastic new book to take home and keep. We are sure the children will be excited to share their new book with you.

Summerfield School was one of only three schools, in the country, to win a set of World Book Day 2024 books. They won a total of 613 brand new books with another 60 on their way to us soon!

We are so thrilled and thankful. Happy Reading!