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Heelands School News

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

06th May May Bank Holiday School closed to Pupils 07th May School Open School opens at 08:30am 16th May Giraffes Open Afternoon Parents Welcome at 2:30pm 17th Mav Monkeys Open Afternoon Parents Welcome at 2:30pm 17th May **National Maths Day** 22nd Mav Monkeys—Immersion Day Superheroes 24th May END of Half-Term School CLOSES at 15:10pm 03rd June School Open School opens at 08:30am (Summer 2 Term) 10th June Year 1 Phonics Testing

12th June **INSET Day** School CLOSED to Pupils

02nd July Sports Afternoon Details to be confirmed

12th July School Reports

15th & 16th New Classes July Children visit their new classes (Reception and YR1 only)

19th July Year 2 Leavers Assembly

Families Invited

19th July End of TERM

> School CLOSES at 3:10pm for the End of Year Summer Break

22nd July **INSET Day**

School CLOSED to Pupils

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a really calm and purposeful fortnight at Heelands. Every time Miss Daley and I walk around school, the children are always focused, really invested in their learning and hard at work. It is a pleasure to see and we are always proud of our staff and children for building this excellent learning environment.

Miss Daley is now teaching PSHE to every year group on a Wednesday. She was discussing what a good friend is in EYFS, people who help us and how that makes us feel in Year 1 and what a healthy diet looks like in Year 2. The children had some brilliant ideas and have obviously been taught so that their learning has transferred from their short term to their long term memory as they remembered a lot!

Now we are in Spring and the weather is slightly warmer, we still have some days with rain and showers and so we have to take lunch or morning breaks indoors. Therefore, if you have any good quality games or toys that could be donated for these sessions we would be very grateful. Thank you.

Have a great Bank Holiday weekend and best wishes,

Ian Fraser

Executive Headteacher



MK ARTS CENTRE





EYFS - Monkeys

What an exciting week in Monkeys!

We have been learning about real life superheroes such as Doctors, Night workers and Firefighters.

We have also been exploring the book, Supertato. We have done potato printing, making Supertatos from playdough and writing about Supertato.

On Tuesday we completed a mini marathon at school. We had to first walk around the edge of school, then we hopped or skipped and lastly, we ran. We had great fun and raised money for World Wildlife Fund. Well done Monkeys Class.



YEAR 1 - Lions

This week in Lions class we have been learning about volume and capacity in Maths.

The children have enjoyed measuring how many cups of water a container can hold, or how many cubes it can hold.

In English the children have been working hard on innovating the text 'Supertato' and creating their own Superheroes!



YEAR 2 - Giraffes

Giraffes have been very busy innovating the story of the Three Little pigs and making it our own, we will publish and share these with you next time.

In Art we have been designing t-shirts for the Three Bears as they go on holiday and in Spanish and Science we have been learning about plants.

We have set up an experiment in Science, putting seeds in different environments and under different conditions to prove our theory that a plant needs, soil, water, sun and the correct temperature to grow. We will share our results with you next time!



Celebration Assemblies...



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

Heelands School Newsletter



Congratulations to our children who have excelled in all areas of our 6 core values: **FRIENDSHIP**, **RESPECT**, **SELF-BELIEF**, **CO-OPERATION**, **CHALLENGE** and **RESPONSIBILITY**



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Darius MONKEYS



Sophie LIONS



Ethan H GIRAFFES

Safeguarding...



Education from the National Crime Agency: Children love watching videos online. In this article we look at how to talk to your child about inappropriate content and keeping safe when watching videos.

Parent's guide to watching videos online (thinkuknow·co·uk)



Mini Marathon...

Inspired by the recent London Marathon, we decided to take part in The TCS Mini London Marathon.

It was a gloriously sunny afternoon on Tuesday 30th April and Heelands school children took off on a three lap Mini Marathon to raise funds for WWF.

On our first lap we all chatted with our team mates about the Birds, Butterflies and Insects we could see as well as enjoying all the wonderful plants and trees in our area.

The second lap we danced, skipped, wiggled and giggled our way around.

Then finally the last lap we walked, jogged and sprinted.

Each of us nearly ran a mile! We were tired but it was great fun. We also smashed our fundraising total and raised £121 for the charity.

We are such an amazing team. Thank you to everyone who sponsored us. There is still time to donate if you would like to help us raise even more!





DONATE ONLINE HERE









Giraffes Class...



Your child's entitlement to Free School Meals, under the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme, comes to an end when they **leave** Year 2.

Therefore, if you wish your child to continue having hot school meals when they go into Year 3 in a new school, these will become chargeable from 1st September 2024, unless you are eligible for Free School Meals.

It is a simple process for you to check whether your child would be eligible for Free School Meals and we strongly recommend you do this as soon as possible.

Please follow the link below (you will only need your date of birth and national insurance number in order to check eligibility).

Online FSM Application (cloudforedu.org.uk)



- Income Support
- · Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you can answer YES to any of the options, you may qualify for Free School Meals / Pupil Premium?

The School Office will help with your application.

If your application is successful, not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child).

This is called Pupil Premium.

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

Already receiving
PP—You do not need
to re-apply!



Contact details for stalls - Pete Cook: petercook62@hotmail.co.uk

food and drink

· bar refreshments · · entertainment ·

· live music ·



Event partners
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Hosted by Simon Tuck mkfm

