



Heathfield
PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th January 2022

Happy Hardworking Courageous Kind

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

20th - Non-uniform day

31st - Teacher training day (no school for children) - CANCELLED

FEBRUARY

8th - Safer Internet Day

18th - Break up for half term (1 week)

28th - Back to school (spring 2)

MARCH

3rd - World Book Day - dress up as a book character

25th - Mothers' Day celebration

APRIL

8th - Break up for the Easter holidays (2 weeks)

25th - Teacher training day (no school for children)

26th - Children return to school (summer 1)

MAY

2nd - May Day Bank holiday

5th - Teacher training day (no school for children)

Head of School: Mrs F Atherton

Deputy Head: Mrs S Richards

Assistant Headteachers:

Miss E Dicken, Mr R Jackson

Inclusion Lead: Mrs S Syner

Pastoral Manager: Mrs H Toth

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you are well. When we returned to school last week, we spent some time working on our values and reminding children about our Heathfield Ways. Spring term is a term where we really knuckle down to hard work and lots of progress is made and as such we felt it was appropriate to reflect on our values. We also spent some time thinking about the children's rights and you can find out more about that later in this newsletter.

It's also been an exciting week for Year 3 and 4 children as they ventured out to Thinktank this week. Thanks to all the staff who organised the visit and to the parents who helped support. We can't do it without you! And Year 2 and nurture group have had a visit from the police arranged by Mr Barakat—look out for photos appearing on our Twitter page to show these experiences.

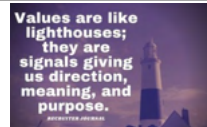
Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Atherton

Guidance for parents and carers during the Covid-19 outbreak

In line with the latest guidance from the Department for Education, at Heathfield the control measures in place to reduce the risk of Covid-19 infection are:

- Every room well-ventilated
- Regular cleaning
- Regular handwashing
- Tissues available in the classrooms
- Twice weekly lateral flow testing for staff
- Testing for staff who have symptoms of Covid-19
- Asking parents to collect their child from school if they are unwell
- Asking parents to arrange a test for their child (and anyone in the household), if possible Covid-19 symptoms are evident.



WORRY BUTTON ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE



(At the bottom of the homepage, in the middle)

Speak up, share your worry

If you have a worry of concern, share it with the trusted adults at school by clicking on the icon above

Children can click either of these two icons on our website www.heathfld.bham.sch.uk to report a worry. This will be picked up by one of the senior leaders in school. It can be anonymous, but if it is named, it is easier for us to follow up. For the older children, please take a moment to show your child where this is in the case that they might need to report something one day.



(At the top of the home page, on the main sliding images)

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HEATHFIELD WAYS

Who has been demonstrating the 'Heathfield Ways' consistently in school this week?



CLASS Shout Out! = 6A

6A have been knuckling down well since returning to school this term. They have come back motivated and ready to take on the challenges that this term may bring. Keep up the hard work 6A!

STAFF Shout Out! = Mr Barakat

Seeing as this week's award focus for the children is based around our first school value 'happy', Mr Barakat takes the award for the staff shout out. He always has a smile on his face and without a doubt, puts a smile on the children in 2R's faces too. Thank you Mr B!

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HANDWRITING

At Heathfield, we use cursive handwriting. All children have a login to Letterjoin and it is accessible (and advised!) for children all across school to use at home.

Letterjoin can be accessed on any device. The platform allows your child to watch videos of patterns, letters, joins or words, have a go themselves using their finger on the screen or a mouse on a computer, and then watch the video back.

Children from Y2 up are encouraged to join their handwriting once they have grasped letter formation. It is important to know that having legible handwriting is an essential criterion on the statutory Y2 and Y6 writing assessments.



Letter-join

END OF TERM SPECIAL AWARDS

Focus: valuing their own happiness and that of others, and making positive choices to promote this value.

#HappyHardworkingCourageousKind

Nursery Elijah Dorsett & Laylah Nadeem

RE Mhd Hamaad Iqbal & Aizah Banares

RT Isra Begum & Mahfuz Ahmed

1B Zaynah Khan & Kaisan Feroz

1P Rukia Ali & Amelia Ali

2N Mohammed Sufyaan & Kulsoom Akhtar

2R Meesum Ali & Fadwa Omar

3G Nayaab Khan & Mhd Eisa Hudah

3PM Ameer Rahman & Paul Shawnim

4C Eshal Imran & Aisha Aziz

4T Yassin Miah & Maya Hussain

5C Sophie Walton & Faiz Sultan Khan

5W Dhiya Sonko & Shahzain Akhtar

6A Mus'ab Sufi & Nabiha Naveed

6M Momena Bashir & Ira Alom

Rainbow Lodge star of the week

Friday 14th January: Amina Baldeh



FREE ENGLISH CLASSES FOR PARENTS

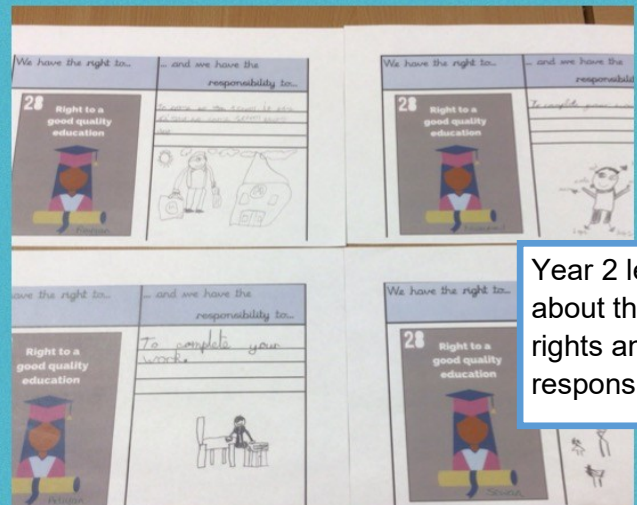
There are still places available at for the free ESOL English classes taking place at our school (in the bungalow in the carpark). If you would like to learn English, you can drop in on Monday 17th January and also every Monday thereafter.

As this is an accredited class, the requirement is that parents will need to have been a resident in the UK/EEU/EEA for 3 years and receive a benefit such as Universal Credit, Employment Support allowance, Job seekers allowance or Carers allowance. If you are working, your income must be below £18,175.

Please just pop in on Monday at 9am if you would like to know more!



Year 1 looked at the importance of rights in education and created a giant jigsaw puzzle to join these rights together.



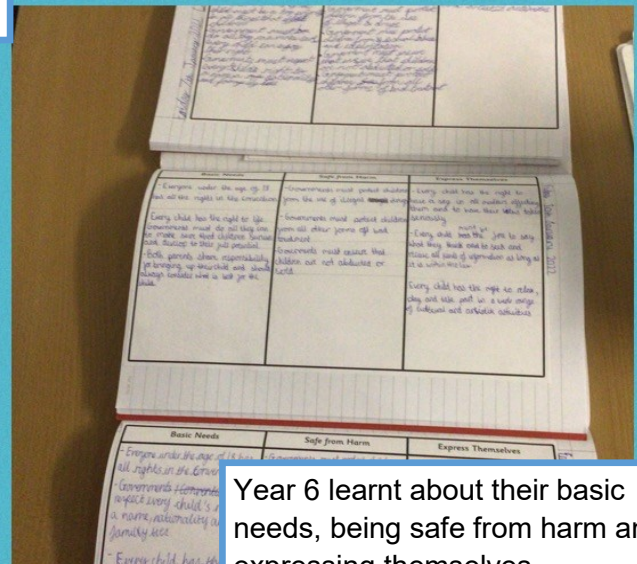
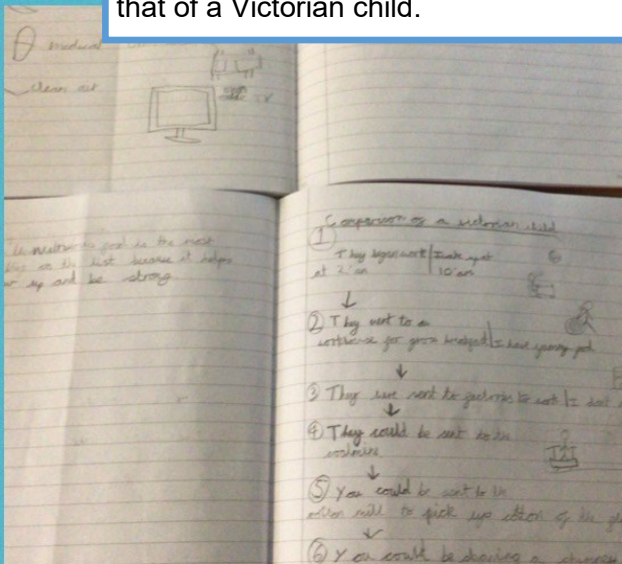
Year 2 learnt about their rights and responsibilities.

ON FRIDAY 7TH JANUARY, ALL CHILDREN IN SCHOOL LEARNT ABOUT THEIR MANY RIGHTS IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS!



Reception made a healthy fruit salad and learnt about how it is their right to have access to different things.

Year 3 compared the rights they have to that of a Victorian child.



Year 6 learnt about their basic needs, being safe from harm and expressing themselves.

AUTHORFY

Authorfy takes just a minute or two to sign up to (just an email needed) and can provide your child with endless hours of creative writing fun! The website includes author masterclasses, 10 minute challenges, activity packs and much more. Get a pen and some paper at the ready!

[SIGN UP HERE](#)



Find your Masterclass

Age

Author Name

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Creativity Masterclass

These masterclasses have longer videos with higher production values for added inspiration and entertainment.



Ages 5-7

These masterclasses are suitable for children aged 5-7. Please check the exact age when hovering over each masterclass option.



Ages 7-11

These masterclasses are suitable for children aged 7-11. Please check the exact age when hovering over each masterclass option.



Ages 11+

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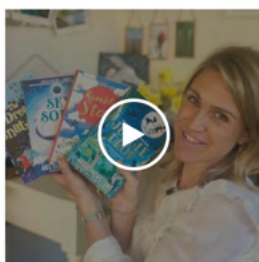
CAT WELDON

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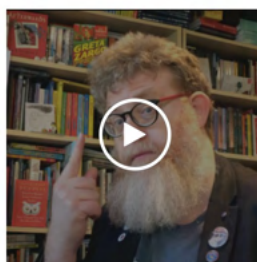
10 MINUTE CHALLENGES

For a daily dose of creativity and fun, check out our '10 Minute Challenges', which are set by bestselling authors and illustrators.

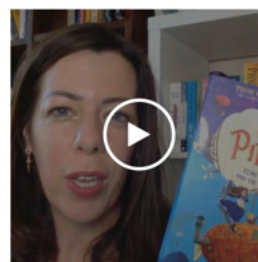
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