



Heathfield
PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th July 2022

Happy Hardworking Courageous Kind

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY

20th - Break up for summer holiday @1pm

SEPTEMBER 2022

5th - Teacher training day

6th - Teacher training day

7th - 1st day of term (autumn 1) —school opens to children (with the exception of Reception children new to our school)

12th - New reception children start (mornings only this week)

OCTOBER 2022

21st - Break up for half term (1 week)

Head of School: Mrs F Atherton

Deputy Head: Mrs S Richards

Assistant Headteachers:

Ms K. McInerney, Mr R Jackson

Inclusion Lead: Mrs S Syner

Pastoral Manager: Mrs H Toth

YEAR 6 RESULTS

Following a break of two years during the pandemic, the Department for Education reintroduced all statutory assessments this year. Below are our Key Stage 2 results:

	Expected	Greater depth	National average (expected)
Reading	71%	14%	74%
Writing	65%	5%	69%
Maths	66%	18%	71%
Grammar	71%	20%	72%
Combined (R,W&M)	57%	0%	59%

Well done to all of the children and staff, and to parents for providing the best possible support. Behind the scenes, our Academy Committee provide excellent strategic leadership and support for the school. Thank you also to all of them.

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of another year and what a year it has been! We have had 2 author visits, the Rights Respecting Schools award, trips all around Birmingham

and a trip to London, a Y6 residential, hundreds of books given to our children through the Young Readers Project, parent workshops, sports competitions and lots more. We are immensely proud of the experiences that the children have had this year and we look forward to providing many more next year.

One of our school development targets for next year will be to improve our attendance and return it to pre pandemic levels, and further details about the new local authority procedures can be found below. We are also planning to do some additional tutoring for children on Friday afternoons which means that your child/ren may be required to stay in school on Friday afternoons for part of the year. Further details on this will be coming out in September.

One of the things that tends to happen over the summer break is that children who don't engage in any kind of summer learning activities, tend to forget some of the skills they have learnt over the year, and to help combat this, the teaching staff have planned a range of summer learning activities for their classes. It is our expectation that all children are supported to engage in at least some of the summer learning they have been set. When we return in September, we want to get off to a flying start and it will be helpful if they have practised the appropriate number facts, spellings and writing skills for their age group. We aren't asking for the children do any more than 30 minutes a day, a few times a week, although of course you can do more if you wish.

Congratulations go out to Mrs Azam who has safely delivered a little boy that she has called Haatim. I'm sure you will join me in sending her our best wishes.

Goodbye and good luck to our Y6 children who are setting off on the next step of their journey very soon. We will miss them all so much and hope to hear how they are from those parents who will still be with us next year.

It's also goodbye for now to Mrs Syner and Mrs Ali who will be working at Prince Albert next year, we will miss their fantastic work as part of the inclusion team. And it's also goodbye to Mrs Richards—it's very difficult to put into words just how much she has done for us and we wish her all the luck in the world as she takes up her new position.

And finally, all that remains is for me to wish you a fantastic break. Stay safe, have a wonderful summer; we all look forward to seeing you again in September.

Mrs. Atherton



The knowledge you have gained so far will always guide you to a bright future. We will always remember all of you.
Happy farewell!

GOODBYE FROM MRS RICHARDS

For once I have no words! From the bottom of my heart, I am going to miss all of the children and the families of Heathfield so very much. This chapter of my career has been the absolute best—I am so grateful for all of your kindness and for the love and support from all the staff at Heathfield too. Mrs Richards x

LOCAL AUTHORITY ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS 2022- 23

Increased fixed-penalty fines are coming according to the Department for Education. Fines will be issued for absences, **including 10 sessions of lateness in one term and any holiday absence. 2 fixed-penalty fines within a school year can lead to prosecution. The DfE are taking absences very seriously and parents will be fined accordingly.**

The Department for Education have published absence and attainment data. Among pupils with no missed sessions over KS2, 83.9% achieved the expected standard compared to 40.2% of pupils who were persistently absent.



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PACT QUALITY ASSURANCE DAY FEEDBACK FROM THE DEPUTY GEO

Leaders from across the Trust recently visited Heathfield School to quality assure how well the school is performing. This is the third visit of the year to track school improvement. We spoke to parents, staff and pupils and were overwhelmed by the positivity stakeholders shared about their school. The school has worked hard this year to settle children and ensure effective teaching and welfare following a difficult two years of COVID. Pupils are well behaved and work hard. Staff feel well supported by the leadership team and understand the key priorities for the school. Pupil attendance at school is essential for children to learn and for long term success. We kindly ask for all stakeholders to work on improving persistent absence moving forward. The Trust look forward to being involved in Heathfield school life again next year in our quest for excellence for all.

Mrs P. Sherlock-Lewis

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

As the summer holidays are upcoming, road safety and street safety is a very important area to discuss with your child. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) states that every child be afforded protection and care as necessary for his or her well-being.

This links into **Article 19** - *All children have the right to be safe.*

A child's safety will always be a top priority for any parent or carer. Keeping children safe near roads is vital, especially during school holidays when children may be playing out more.

Here are some tips to keep your child safe on the roads this summer.

- Children under 8 should always cross roads with a grown up, at a safe crossing place
- Until they are 150cm tall, all children should sit in a correctly sized and fitted child seat when travelling by car
- Children under 10 should not cycle on roads, they should keep to cycle paths away from motorised traffic
- Children should always wear a helmet when cycling to protect their head if they fall off

For more information: <https://www.brake.org.uk/get-involved/take-action/mybrake/knowledge-centre/advice-for-parents-and-families>

Please also have discussions with your child about not talking to strangers and telling a trusted adult if anything happens that makes them feel worried or uncomfortable.

Activity: Have fun, look after each other and most importantly, stay safe!

Miss Elahi



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END OF TERM SPECIAL AWARDS

Focus: For getting the most Dojo reward points in the summer term.

- RE** Ariyaan Islam & Maryam Sufi
RT Damian Taylor & Myiesha Akhtar
1B Amaya Hussain & Alayna Nawaz
1P Zoya Khan & Bilal Hashi
2N Aimah Ayub & Kulsum Khan
2R Ammara Hussain & Yousaf Ahmed
3G Mohammad Abu-Bakr & Hazera Anam
3PM Samira Hassan & Mhd Abdul Qadier
4C Mhd Naith Jenkinson & Saniyah Mohammed
4T Umar Khalid Ameji & Amelia Hamid
5C Sara Elsir & Mhd Musa Yahiah
5W Esa Wahid Khan & Abubakar Ali Gulzar
6A Mihran M, Abdullahi Ali & Mhd Adnan
6M Shakeel Momin & Raiyaan Ahmed

Rainbow Lodge star of the week

08.07.22: Iqlaas Ali

15.07.22: Harun Nur Hassan



ANNUAL ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

This year's overall attendance	
Year 1	87.62%
Year 2	90%
Year 3	90%
Year 4	92.4%
Year 5	92.95%
Year 6	92.54%

97% attendance = aim

94-97% = risk zone

Below 94% = cause for concern and significantly impacting on children's learning and progress.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

B What's On ▶ Family & Kids ▶ Summer Holidays

50 fabulous things to do this summer with the kids around Birmingham, the Black Country and Worcestershire

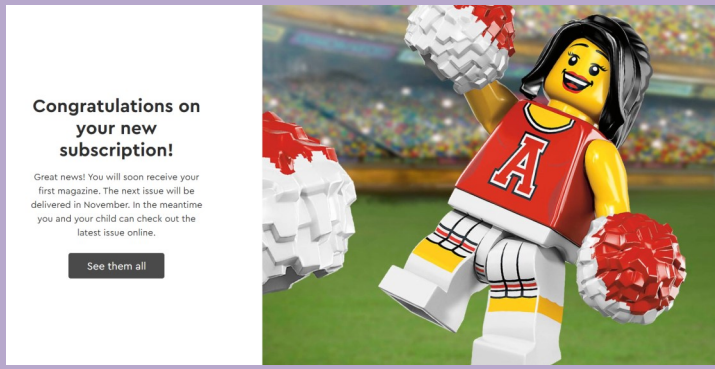
New attractions, days out, outdoor pools and splash parks, nearby beaches, rainy day plans, festivals, staycation suggestions and more

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/whats-on/family-kids-news/50-fabulous-things-summer-kids-24360204>

Check out this Birmingham Live link to see 50 fun things to do in and around Birmingham this summer.

FREE LEGO MAGAZINE

Follow the link to sign up for free Lego magazines. You just need an email address. The first one will arrive for free in November. <https://www.lego.com/en-gb/life/magazine>



FINANCIAL SUPPORT OVER THE SUMMER

This link (scroll all the way through) has lots of financial support tips, guidance and web links.

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/whats-on/family-kids-news/every-benefit-support-birmingham-parents-24280331?>

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BE AN H2O HERO Get\o/aterFit

In your bathroom:



TAKE SHORTER SHOWERS

Cut **one minute** off your shower with our timer and you could save **£15** on your energy bill, and **£15** on your water bill.



BE FLUSHED WITH SUCCESS

For older toilets, water displacement devices like our **Buffaloo bags** can reduce the amount of water flushed by up to **two litres** – every time you go!



BRUSH UP YOUR WATER-SAVING SKILLS

A running tap uses **six litres** of water every minute. So make sure to turn it **off while you brush!**



SCAN HERE

To find ways to help save water, energy and money, or visit: www.stwater.co.uk/wonderful-on-tap/save-water/get-water-fit/

WONDERFUL ON TAP



With the rising cost of energy bills, encourage your child/ren to do some of things to help save water and money over the summer holidays.

Or visit the website for more information.

**WONDERFUL ON TAP—
SEVERN TRENT WATER**

Kids Eat For Less Summer 2022

EXTREME COUPONING AND BARGAINS UK

Current Offers Available



Kids Eat For £1 At Asda. See Website For Dates & Terms.



Free Kids Meal For Every Adult Meal Purchased £4.99 Or Over. All Day Every day!



One Free-Mini Main, Two Snacks & Drink For Every £4 Spent In Our In-Store Cafes



Get any two kids hot meals, jelly, fruit & drink for £5 (Regular price £2.95 each) in our Swedish restaurants. Offer subject to availability.



Kids Eat For £1 Monday-Friday All Day During Summer Holidays!



Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of every adult main from 4-6pm on Monday-Thursday! One adult main must be purchased per child to receive the offer.



Kid's eat free from 3pm-5.30pm, Monday to Thursday. One child eats free for every £10 spent on food.



Kids Eat Free With an adult main meal. Includes our kids lunch menu or pick 'n' mix' meal, plus a drink

Breakfast Offers



Choose any kid's breakfast up to £2.49 for free when you buy an adult breakfast for at least £3.49 in a Hungry Horse pub.



Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased.

Download App For Offers

These restaurants often have offers and discounts when you download the app or sign up for their newsletter to receive offers.



Still To Come.... (Possibly!)



KIDS EAT FOR LESS

UNWANTED SCHOOL JUMPERS AND GARDIGANS

It is now a requirement that schools offer the option of second hand uniform for when families join the school and need to purchase new uniform.

If you have any second hand or unwanted Heathfield uniform options in great condition, please bring them into the main school office.

THANK YOU.



ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

This year we held our prize giving ceremony at Prince Albert High School. Teaching staff selected children for our academic awards in reading, writing, maths and sport and our values awards of happy, hardworking, courageous and kind. Here are just a few pictures of the evening.

