



Heathfield
PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 1st October 2021

Happy Hardworking Courageous Kind

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

- 6th - Walk to school day
- 7th - Non-uniform day
- 12th - Virtual parent consultations EYFS and KS1
- 14th - Virtual parent consultations KS2
- 15th - 8:45am Y6 parent meeting (secondary transition)
- 22nd - Break up for half term (1 week)
- 31st - DEADLINE for secondary school applications

NOVEMBER

- 1st - Back to school (Autumn 2)
- 18th - Children in need non-uniform day

DECEMBER

- 17th—Break up for Christmas holiday (2 weeks)

JANUARY

- 3rd - Bank holiday (no school)
- 4th - Teacher training day (no school for children)
- 5th—Back to school (Spring 1)

Head of School: Mrs F Atherton

Deputy Head: Mrs S Richards

Assistant Headteachers:

Miss E Dicken, Mr R Jackson

Inclusion Lead: Ms J Tulloch

Pastoral Manager: Mrs H Toth



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Happy Friday parents!

It has been a busy two weeks and there is lots happening in school. We have put some photographs of the children on the back of this newsletter so you can see what they are up to. The curriculum newsletters for this half term have also been emailed out to

you so you know what the children are learning at the moment. Please feel free to comment in their planners if you have any questions.

The school planners are a vital part of our routines this year in school; we have added sections to tell you what times tables and number facts your children are working on this week, as well as the spellings they need to learn and their spelling test scores. The green pages at the front also have lots of really important information for you to read such as the expectations for home reading. With us getting 'back to business' this year it is so important for the children to be playing their part and reading five times a week and remembering to bring their reading books and planners to school every day. If your child has empty hands when they leave the house in the morning, there is definitely something missing!

This year we have thought long and hard about whether to have a harvest collection at school, but with everything that is going on we have decided to point you in the direction of a place to donate, if you are able to. The Trussell Trust is accepting direct donations on this page <https://www.trusselltrust.org/make-a-donation/>

After approval from the Academy Committee, we will be sharing the Heathfield Promise for this year via email. Please read through it to see what we expect from you and your child and what we are going to do. It is so important that we are working together to improve the life chances of our children.

If you are looking for something to do this weekend, 'The World in One Place' exhibition at the Library of Birmingham explores the heritage and history of primary school life and education in Birmingham between the 1960s-80s. It draws on memories of former pupils, education professionals and staff to tell a story of everyday activities and routines; joys and challenges; technological transformation; and multicultural diversity. You might find some of the contributions from Heathfield staff if you look hard enough!

As part of the work being done in Lozells to improve Health services, we have been asked to share the following survey: ***IMPORTANT LOZELLS HEALTH SURVEY***

Please complete this short survey about health services in our neighbourhood—the more voices are heard, the more we can push for improvements in Handsworth and Lozells. <https://forms.gle/8or57msz3bRyRkPF9>

And finally, we have lots of baby news this fortnight: Mr Jackson has welcomed a new addition to his family—a baby girl called Ferne— huge congratulations to him and his wife, and Mrs Pilbin has headed off on her maternity leave. We are sending lots of love and best wishes to her and we look forward to hearing from her soon.

Mrs. Atherton



PRINCE ALBERT HIGH HAVE OPENED THEIR DOORS!

Mrs Atherton, Mrs Richards, Miss Dicken and Mr Jackson have all been lucky enough to visit Prince Albert High School this week. It was so lovely to see some of our previous pupils settled into their gorgeous, shiny new school. To say they looked smart in their new uniform is a huge understatement! In true Heathfield style, they had smiles on their faces and their polite manners shone through within minutes of catching up with them!

Ms Afzal (Head of PA High) and Mrs Smith (Deputy Head) will be joining our upcoming Year 6 parent meeting on Friday 15th October to share some more information and answer any questions parents may have.



HEATHFIELD WAYS AWARD WINNERS



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

CLASS Shout Out! = 2N

2N have settled into Year 2 beautifully. They have their noses in their books every time we walk past and have been making Mrs Nagra and Mrs Khatun very proud.

STAFF Shout Out! = Mrs Atwal

Mrs Atwal has been an absolute trouper this fortnight. She has had a very busy time in the office and always manages a smile through the hardest of days.

A special thank you to all of 2N and to Ms Atwal.

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RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

A focus on children's rights throughout school policy and practice ensures the wellbeing of children and young people is at the heart of everything our school does.



This fortnight, we are pleased to share our brand new logo that was created to represent the children's rights at Heathfield Primary School. This inspiring logo was designed with input from our 'Guardians of the Rights' (also known as the RRS steering group).

The artist behind the logo is Mohammed Yunus Ali in 4C.

The Guardians of the Rights

"We chose this design because we want all children at Heathfield school to know their rights" he explained.

We are very proud of all the hard work and commitment he and the group have put in to the representation of their rights.

Great team work!

Miss Elahi



AWARDS THIS FORTNIGHT

Nursery: for showing interest in reading and enjoying books with friends

Reception - Year 6: for excellent home reading effort and completing of school planner

Nursery Hafzah Khan & Ismaeel Khan

RE Zaara Mohammed & Muhammad-Ibrahim

RT Damian Taylor & Ameera Shiraz

1B Khadija Hussain & Haaniya Ali

1P Ayan Hamid & Zoya Khan

2N Samara Akram & Falaq Hussain

2R Mariam Hussain & Hamza Zaman

3H Liyana Khan & Subhan Ramzan

3PM Saniyah Khan & Mhd Zakariya Khan

4C Hareem Kamal & Ayaan Alam

4T Sara Ismail & Eliza Khan

5C Azhar Zayan Khan & Ayesha Towseef

5W Zulaikha Kauser & Surayya Khan

6A Jeremiah Rankin & Imaan Khan

6M Suheyla Abdifatah

Mohamad & Samar Alasow



KING EDWARDS VI HANDSWORTH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Parents of Year 4 and 5 girls, please click on the link to view the live stream from King Edwards VI Handsworth School for Girls. It includes a school tour and a 'Day in the Life of a Year 7', along with a formal welcome from their Headmistress, Mrs Whittall.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Br1JSFdHmI>

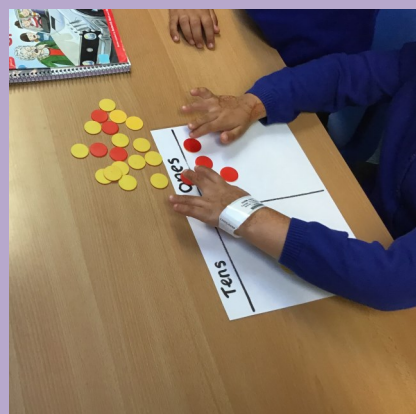
There's also an accompanying website, which includes introductions from all secondary subjects and an opportunity to ask questions. <https://sites.google.com/kingedwardvi.bham.sch.uk/virtualopenevent2021/home>

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE

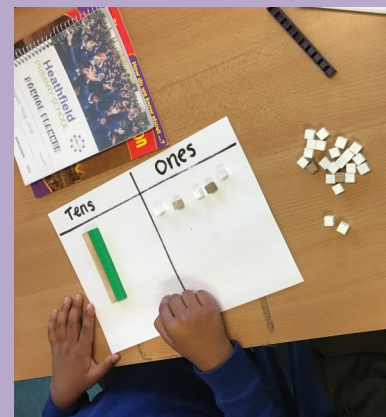
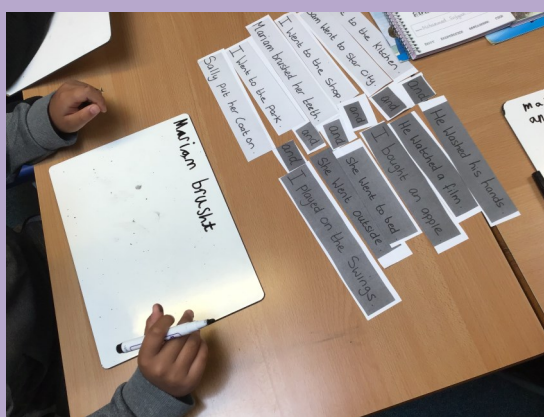
Parents of Year 6 children will either have completed their secondary school application forms or be getting ready to complete them. Please complete the slip that came home with your child last week so we can support those of you who need it and ensure every child is given a school place for September.

The deadline is gradually creeping up on us: Sunday 31st October is the final day applications can be completed through Birmingham City Council. Please note that this date falls at the end of half term and we advise all parents to complete by Friday 22nd October so you can call upon us for support if needed.

THIS WEEK IN PICTURES...



The children in Reception are currently reading 'We're going on a bear hunt'. They have enjoyed creating pictures based on the story in the environment.



Some proof of the fantastic work 2N have been doing in writing and maths.



3H have been learning to play archery, showing great perseverance and team support.



4C have been investigating tooth decay using eggs and also playing Top Trumps to compare 4 digit numbers.

