



As I write this, the preparations for the Winter Fair are in full swing and I am sure it will be another great event. Thank you to Zoe and her team for all the hard work that goes into preparing this.

## Back to School

This will be my last newsletter of the term. We break up at 2pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December and then we return back to school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January at 9am. Please make sure that you are all back on time for this first day. And with all the excitement of the holidays, please make sure your children are still finding the time to read every day.

## Christmas Shows

These are scheduled in for next week (see below). They will start on time so please do not be late! In EYFS and KS1, for the afternoon performances, doors will open at 2pm and for the KS1 morning performance, doors will be open from when you drop the children off. For KS2, you are welcome to walk down to church with the children – please speak to your class teacher. Please note that photographs and filming is allowed but you are politely requested to not post or share any images of other people’s children on any social media or messenger site.

## Mrs Earle

Parents of children in Butterfly class are aware that their teacher Mrs Earle has been unwell after a bad fall. I am in regular contact with her and she is aiming to start back at work some time before Easter – provided the doctors give her the all-clear. I will keep you posted. Miss Barrick will remain in Butterfly class until her return. I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs Earle all the best with her recovery.

## School Improvement

This week I have been meeting with all of our phase leaders (Miss Barrick for EYFS, Miss White for KS1, Miss Ramsamy for Y3/4 and Mr Burton for Y5/6). We have reviewed the improvements in the quality of teaching and learning in all classes in their phases over the term and agreed plans for next term. The school has also been visited by our link Specialist Maths Teacher as part of the maths Teacher Research Group that we are involved with. He spent a long time with Mr Howland (maths leader) and Mr Burton looking at how to further improve the quality of maths teaching in Year 6.

## KS2 Playground

The development of the KS2 playground is now in the final stages of preparation. It will be the same team of workers who installed the second phase of the EYFS outdoor area so we know they will do good job. We will let you know the specific entry and exit arrangements in the New Year but please note that the big playground will be closed off for a while.

## Attendance

	Attendance	Lates		Attendance	Lates
RL	93.3% ↔	3 ↔	RB	92.6% ↓	3 ↑
1H	98.0% ↑	2 ↑	1M	93.3% ↓	3 ↑
2L	97.3% ↑	5 ↔			
3M	95.5% ↑	3 ↑	3H	97.6% ↔	2 ↑
4R	86.2% ↓	12 ↓	4T	91.4% ↓	6 ↓
5D	99.0% ↑	4 ↔	5B	97.3% ↑	2 ↑
6C	95.9% ↑	8 ↓	6B	96.3% ↑	9 ↓

**Overall attendance for 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: 94.4%**

Individual attendance winners:

Harry (3M), Maryam (2L), Maryam (5D)

*And finally, on behalf of all of the staff at Heathmere, I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year!*



	Events	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	2.15pm Nursery and Reception Show 2pm Y1 – Y6 pantomime	Clubs will start Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Show 2.15pm Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Show	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	10am Year 3, 4, 5, 6 Christmas Concert at Roehampton Church 2pm Break Up	
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	<b>9am back to school</b>	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Reception, Year 1 and Y2 drama workshop	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	9am Attendance Assembly	