



It has been another busy week at Heathmere! The Christmas hoops are being put up as I write this and children are busy practising for their shows in the hall!

## Y3 Carol Singing

A group of Y3 children headed off to Barnes station with Mr Matthias yesterday to support Health Poverty Action to raise money for their charity. I saw the children when they returned and they had a wonderful time and raised lots of money!

## Winter Fair

School will close at 2.45pm on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. At this point, the Winter Fair will begin. We will run a token system where you buy tokens to swap for the activities. You can use cash to buy food from the kitchen. Santa is making a special visit and will be in his grotto in the meeting room (in the corner of the dinner hall). Please do come and join us for this special event in the school year. If you can donate any raffle prizes or can offer any help on the day, please speak to Miss Agypong (Y3) or Tracey Green (Family Link Worker). Alternatively, please speak to the office who can pass on a message for you.

## Reading in Y1 and Y2

We do a 'Reading Race' in school every week and the class with the highest percentage of children who have read every day that week, win a certificate. This week in KS2 the winners were 4R and 4B with 94%. In KS1, there were no classes with above 50% so no certificate has been given out. Reading is the most important thing you can do with your child to help their learning – please make sure they read every day at home.

## School Improvement

This week, I met with my board of Governors to monitor how the school is progressing. The role of governors is to set the strategic direction of the school while providing both support and challenge. There are 13 governors in total, of which 3 are expected to be parents of the school. There is currently a vacancy for Parent Governor and I will be advertising this in the New Year. If you are interested, please come and speak to me on the gate or talk to one of our other parent governors Farouk (dad of Amira 2L, Adam 2C and Ali 5T) or Asma (mum of Kachaf (Reception) for more information.

## Clubs

Next week will be the final week for clubs – we will not have any in the last week. I noticed that the number of younger children doing football club on a Friday with Nicola have really dropped and I am unsure why. Please come and speak to me on the gate if you have any feedback.

## Create

Y3 have been involved in an Art project over the past few Thursdays. The outcome is going to be an installation in the KS2 corridor. It is starting to take shape and parents are invited to come and see the opening at 3pm on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

## Attendance

This did manage to pick up again last week. As we enter the festive period, there are lots of exciting treats in school so please make sure children are here every day.

	Events	Clubs 3.30pm – 4.25pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Peter Bunzl (author) to Y4-Y6 pm Y6 to Ibstock Christmas Show Some Rec children to Woodcote Nursery	Y4/5/6 Ninja Kids! – Tim
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 Cabinet of Curiosities Y6 Ice Skating Some Rec children to Woodcote Nursery	Y3/4/5/6 Funky Moves Dance – Lara Y3/4/5/6 Tag Rugby – Mr Mtya
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Some Rec children to Woodcote Nursery 11am Trumpet Concert 4pm Lantern Parade	Y1/2/3 Ninja Kids! – Matt Arts and Crafts – Miss Agypong
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch Y3 Create Art Project Exhibition Cabinet of Curiosities	Y4/5/6 Football Team Training – Matt Y5/6 American Football – Rob
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day School Finishes at 2.45pm 2.45pm Winter Fair	