



We are definitely back in the swing of things now and we have had another calm week at school.

## Nursery Creative Workshop

It was a lovely sunny morning for our creative workshop today and a great turn out for our Nursery parents. Thank you! We made lots of creative creations like dinosaur fossils, junk modelling and collages using different materials and resources putting our cutting skills into practice. The creative instruments made out of recyclable materials brought music to our ears. Overall, a beautiful morning full of wonderful creations.

## Y1 trip to Birdworld

*I liked Birdworld because there was lots of nature.*

Riley

*The parrots were my favourite because they were very colourful.* Leo

*We saw looks of birds but I liked the parrots because they sound funny when they talk.* Georgia

## Y3 Readers Project

3M put back on their warm gloves, woolly hats and earmuffs to get back into the winter spirit for their winter themed young readers workshop. As part of the workshop, they learn how to build an igloo to protect themselves from the biting cold and created paper snowflakes whilst creating a bank of adjectives to describe ice, wind and snow.

## Parent Governor

The information about how to apply to become a parent governor is coming home today. Please come and speak to me if you are interested.

## School Improvement

Over the past couple of weeks, I have visited every class in KS2 to look at the children's writing and how they are progressing in literacy. We have agreed some things that we need to improve on such as raising expectations, strategies to further develop children's language and improving handwriting. The teachers will be working on these areas with the children. I am looking forward to seeing KS1 and EYFS over the next few weeks. In all classes, the children's behaviour and attitudes to learning have been excellent and a pleasure to see. Keep up the good work!

## Clubs, Trips and Workshops

I wanted to clarify our expectations around parental contributions for clubs, trips and workshops.

### Clubs

These are extra-curricular and parents are expected to pay for them. The school subsidises the cost to £2 per club. However, all children are invited and the school will pay the full cost if needed.

### Trips

We do lots of trips at Heathmere as we believe they are important to improve the children's learning. The school subsidises the cost for several trips and makes sure costs are kept as low as possible. Parental contributions are voluntary but without these contributions, we would have to review how many trips the children are able to attend. We will always try and let you know about the trips in enough time to be able to make the payment.

### Workshops

These take place when we have visitors in to support the children's learning. Parents are requested to make a £2 voluntary contribution towards these experiences.

## Attendance

Congratulations to all children who are collecting the green and blue attendance badges today!

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