



The children in Year 1 and Year 5 are headed off on school trips next week. Thank you for all parents who volunteer to help on trips – it really is appreciated.

Beat It

Parents are invited come along with the children to our Healthy Eating school assembly run by 'Beat It' on Thursday 26th January at 9am and stay after for a free coffee morning. 'Beat It' will be here to talk about topics such as healthy lunch boxes, hidden sugars in drinks and answer any questions about Nutrition and Health that you may have. Please come along.

Maths Bee

Mr Howland has launched the Maths Bee again for this year. It was very successful last year and I am sure this year will be even better. Please can you work extra hard with your children to practise their times tables so all children can join in.

Attendance Assemblies

I have done two assemblies this week with the children that have focused on attendance. The children have learnt that if their attendance is 95%, they miss the equivalent of 10 days of school over a year, which equates to a whole term of learning when factored in over the 7 years that children are in primary school. If their attendance is 85% every year, they miss about half a term of learning over a year and a whole year's worth of learning over the 7 years. Please make sure you do everything you can to help your children come to school every day.

Bike It Crew

Heathmere's Bike It Crew met yesterday to have their bikes checked by Anna, our 'Bike It' coordinator. The children had a great time looking over their bikes and actually helping to mend a puncture. What a useful skill! Look out for more 'Bike It' news and events still to come this year.

School Improvement

This has been a busy week for school improvement. On Tuesday, Miss White (Y2) and Mrs Lipinska (Y2) were receiving training on how to make sure assessments at the end of Y2 are accurate. Miss White is a Wandsworth Borough Moderator so is considered an expert in this field. On Wednesday, Mr Burton (Y6) and Miss Ramsamy (Y3) were continuing their training on Reciprocal Reading. This is the strategy that is used in school to teach children to read (in addition to their phonics). They are being trained up as experts to support other teachers in school and also to develop the work of Mrs Meyrick, who is also an expert in this area.

Reading Books

The school spends a lot of money on reading books and tries really hard to make sure that children always have interesting books to read. There are some children who are not looking after their reading books properly. This means they are being returned to school with pages missing, scribbles or looking tatty. In some cases the books are not being returned at all. Please can you talk to your children about how to look after their reading books.

Attendance

Most punctual class last week: 1M, 2W and 5B with 2 lates each
 Highest attendance last week: 2W with 99%
 Whole school attendance for last week: 91.8%
 This was still very poor and well below the 95% that we expect our attendance to be
 Individual attendance winners: Muneer (4T), Jaylen (4T), Dylan (Rec/ L), Shaylan (3H)
 House points: Neptune
 Maths Race Winners: 5D, 2L
 Reading Race Winners: 4J

	Events	Clubs
Monday 23 rd January	Y5 to the Royal Observatory	3.30 – 4.30 Y1/2/3 Football 3.30 – 4.30 Y4/5/6 Ninja Fit!
Tuesday 24 th January	Y1 to Battersea Zoo	3.30 – 4.30 Y1/2/3/4/5/6 Performing Arts
Wednesday 25 th January	Trumpets	3.30 – 4.30 Y1/2/3 Ninja Fit! 3.30 – 4.30 Y4/5/6 Hockey
Thursday 26 th January	9am Beat It assembly – parents invited Nursery Mini Boost Y6 to the mosque	3.30 – 4.30 Y4/5/6 Football 3.30 – 4.30 Y1/2/3/4/5/6 Yo-Yo Yoga
Friday 27 th January	Y4 Swimming	