



Respect Resilience High Expectations

24th January 2014

Ofsted Update

The teachers have all been attending Wandsworth training this week on how to implement the new National Curriculum that becomes the law in September 2014. Miss Sandhu, Miss Faris and myself have also been off training newly qualified teachers from other schools on how to become good teachers. We have been really proud to spread the good Heathmere word!

Collecting your children

Can I please politely request that all parents collect their children from school on time? Most of you already do however there are several of our younger children in particular who are often not collected until 3.30pm. Children often get upset if they are late being collected and the teachers should not be expected to wait for 15minutes extra every day – this is more than an hour of their time every week! From now on, if you are more than 5 minutes late, your children will be taken to the front office.

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| Nursery and Reception | 3.15pm |
| Year 1 and Year 2 | 3.20pm |
| Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 | 3.30pm |

*This week, our whole school behaviour focus is:
looking after property and
resources*

Attendance

Attendance was good again last week! We have new winners for the best class – 1H had 99% attendance and so have sat on the benches today. Well done! The individual attendance winners Shanin (5G), Hollie (3S) and Amy (1F).

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I was visited yesterday by someone who had not been to Heathmere for 3 years. She told me that she couldn't believe the difference in the school and what a pleasure it had been to see how sensible our children were. Let's keep this up!

George and the Dragon

On Monday we had a 'whole school starting point' for writing. This meant that all children from Reception to Year 6 did a piece of writing based on the same picture. What made Monday particularly special was that classes paired up in the morning. Year 6 worked with Year 2, Year 5 worked with Year 1 and Years 3 and 4 worked with Reception. The quality of writing produced was excellent and some of it will be displayed in the corridor.

Y5 athletics competition

*On Wednesday 5O and 5G went to an indoor athletics competition. Both classes had lots of fun and competed in several different races and events. The best event was the obstacle relay!
Igor and Amy 5O*

And a special well done must go to Mohammed (5O) for winning his event. Thank you to Mrs Goodings, Mr O'Connor and Mrs Anang for taking the children.

**Remember that school is closed on Friday
14th February for a staff training day.**

**Half term is Monday 17th – Friday 21st
February.**

| | Events | Clubs |
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| Monday 27 th January | 12.15pm Strengthening Families course | 3.20 – 4.30 Y1/Y2 football |
| Tuesday 28 th January | 10am Y6 cycling proficiency (8 children) | 3.30 – 4.30 Y3/4/5/6 dance |
| Wednesday 29 th January | Trumpets 10am Y6 cycling proficiency (8 children) 12.30pm ESOL class | 3.20 – 4.30 Y1/Y2 dance 3.30 – 4.30 Y3/Y4 football |
| Thursday 30 th January | 10am Y6 cycling proficiency (8 children) | 3.30 – 4.30 Y5/6 philosophy 3.30 – 4.30 Y5/6 football |
| Friday 31 st January | 10am Y6 cycling proficiency (8 children) Y3 and Y5 swimming | |