



24th January 2020

Run With Matt

This has started well this week – thank you to everyone for getting involved! Matt started a free running club on Monday for children in KS2. If you would like to join this club then please speak to Matt. Children **must** wear trainers to join in. And Y6 have started wearing the Moki bands as step counters. I have heard that Abdi and Kamali were the early leaders with over 10,000 steps in the school day!

Parents' Evening

This term, Parents' Evening takes place on Tuesday 10th March. School will finish at 2pm on this day. And a reminder that school will be closed on 2nd March and 1st June for training days.

Open Hour

Open Hour for this half term takes place on Monday 27th January 2019 from 9am – 10am across the whole school. Do come and join the children in class to see what they are learning.

Social and Emotional

I hosted an event yesterday with the Early Intervention Foundation to discuss what the evidence tells us about the importance of children's social and emotional learning. I was able to share how we teach this at Heathmere through our whole school approach based on PATHS. Several schools attended and we had a positive discussion about what more can be done to support this.

Y4 times tables screen

There is a new government expectation that all children in Year 4 will be screened for their times tables knowledge in June. Do come to a parents' meeting in 4HD to find out more about this on Thursday at 3.30pm. Any Y3 parents who are interested for next year can also attend.

School Improvement

This week, all of the teachers watched Mr Howland teach a maths lesson in 4HD. We welcome so many visitors from other schools to watch Mr Howland teach and we need to make sure that our own teachers are also benefitting from his expertise. We watched a lesson on division where the children were working hard to understand the thinking behind why we use division. The teachers will be discussing this lesson when we meet together in our Tuesday staff meeting.

Story Teller

On Friday 17th January, our Early Years Story Teller Sarah Cantrill came in to role-play stories with us. In Reception Class we did The Little Red Hen. Aasiya said, "All the animals didn't help the little red hen...I like the singing so much!" Skylar Rose said, "We were the dog and we didn't help. The singing was so much fun!"

Two Mr Howlands

Year 4 had two Mr Howlands teaching them on Thursday afternoon when our Mr Howland's dad came to talk to class about Ordnance Survey Maps to link with their topic on contrasting locations. Heidi said, "I learnt so much about signs on maps. It was so fun." Chelsea said, "I was so surprised that Mr Howland's dad came to talk to us. I love learning about maths."

Attendance

Class % Attendance (date) week				Class Punctuality (Number of Lates) (date) week			
Rec	95%	3R	97%	Rec	9	3R	8
1M	95%	4HD	96%	1M	2	4HD	9
1H	95%	5T	95%	1H	5	5T	1
2HM	95%	5G	92%	2HM	2	5G	2
2DM	94%	6B	94%	2DM	0	6B	3
3L	95%	6L	96%	3L	3	6H	7

	Events	Clubs 3.30pm – 4.25pm
Monday 27 th January	9am – 10am Open Hour Y3 local area walk	Y1/2/3/4 Football with Tim Y3/4/5/6 Run with Matt
Tuesday 28 th January	Y5 to the Royal Observatory Y4 Swimming	Y4/5/6 Move It with Matt and School Ambassadors
Wednesday 29 th January	Y4 Rackets Cubed 3pm – 6pm Trumpets	8.15am Y5/6 Cross Country with Miss Mooney Y1 – Y3 Dance with Rachel
Thursday 30 th January	3.30pm Y4 meeting for parents to talk about times tables screening	Y1/2/3/4 Dodgeball with Tim Y4/5/6 Football with Matt
Friday 31 st January	Y6 to Wetlands Centre	