



As I write this newsletter, I can hear the Y6 school-based children singing and preparing for their end of year show. We are trying to keep as many Heathmere Y6 traditions as we can!

End of Year Reports

School-based children will be bringing their end of year reports home today. For children who are not in school, parents can collect the reports from the front office from Monday.

Y6 Update

There is a separate letter being emailed to parents with all of the arrangements for the end of Y6. The performance is taking place on Zoom and Graduation will take place in the playground. Please note that if it is raining at 9am on Monday 20th July, we will reschedule the graduation.

Sports Day

We decided to change the days of Y1 – Y3 and Y4 – Y6 Sports Days given the weather forecast. These will now take place on Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th July in the KS2 playground. Unfortunately, parents are not able to attend.

School Shoes

From September, we are changing the school policy on shoes. Children will be expected to wear trainers to school. There are three reasons for this:

1. Given the financial pressures at the moment, I hope that most parents will appreciate saving the money they would otherwise spend on school shoes.
2. Traditionally, some girls have worn shoes that are not easy to run and play sports in. By expecting all children to wear trainers, this will help to reduce gender inequality.
3. Trainers are more comfortable and practical for children when they are in school.

If your children are not yet able to tie laces, please make sure they have Velcro on their trainers instead.

School Improvement

We are continuing to think really carefully about our school improvement priorities for next year; it is really important that we keep having high expectations for the children of Heathmere and are ambitious for their future.

We are going to keep working on writing in KS2 and improving the children's attendance; they were both areas identified at our last Ofsted inspection. We are also going to be prioritising Early Reading and also embedding our curriculum. It's an exciting year ahead!

Roehampton Community Box

During the summer holidays, the Roehampton Community Box project will continue. Collection times from the hub will remain the same:

Mondays 1pm – 3pm

Fridays 9am – 1pm

We look forward to seeing you there!

Returning to School

I am currently working through the DfE Guidance around safe opening for schools in September. Please be aware that we will all be working very hard to make sure that all of the guidance is followed. There will be some changes but we will try and make these as manageable as possible. I am expecting the one-way system for parents in the playground to remain in place; I still need to put some more thought into whether we need to have staggered start and end of the day timings. I will give more information about this in next week's newsletter.

Please be aware that children are expected to be back to school in September. While currently parents have a choice, this choice will not be there in September and it will return to being the law for children to be at school.

Please contact me if you have any queries about returning to school and we can talk them through.

	Events
Monday 13 th July	Y1, Y2 and Y3 Sports Day
Tuesday 14 th July	Y4, Y5 and Y6 Sports Day
Wednesday 15 th July	
Thursday 16 th July	Book swap day Y6 Performance 10am and 5.30pm. Y6 children need to return to school at 5pm
Friday 17 th July	