



I hope everyone is well. We are quickly moving towards the end of another school year! Please read the newsletter carefully each week to keep yourselves well-informed.

Back to School in September

You may have seen in the media this week that new guidance has been issued about returning to school in September. It is expected that every child will return to school. I will be working hard between now and then to make sure that all of the guidance is being followed and everything is as safe as possible. If you have any questions about this, please ask.

End of Year Report

For children who are in school, the end of year report will come home with them on Friday 10th July. For those children who are not in school, you can collect the report from the office from Monday 13th July.

Staffing Update

Sadly Matt (our Sports Coach) will be leaving us in July to go and work in another school. He has been a great addition to the Heathmere team for several years now and we will really miss him. He is leaving our PE provision in a really good position and I am sure you will join me in wishing him all the best in his new role. The good news is that none of the class teachers are leaving Heathmere in July. This will really help us to achieve stability for the children as we all return post-Covid. Please be aware that some teachers will move year groups; you will receive this information in your child's school report.

Mrs Van der Merwe (who some of you know as Mrs V and others will know as Etty) will be returning to the staff team from September. She has worked at Heathmere on and off for many years and we are so lucky to have her back on the team!

School Improvement

We have continued to work on our curriculum this week. When the children start their new topics in September, they will be thinking carefully about 4 key facts that are important to their topic. These facts will include:

- A person
- A place
- A point in time
- A fascinating fact

This is intended to help extend the children's knowledge and recall key information about their topic.

Sports Day

We held Sports Day in school this week for Nursery and Reception. The Y1 – Y6 children who are school-based, will have their sports day next week. These will take place in the school playground this year and unfortunately we are not able to invite parents. Matt is working hard to make sure that the children will still have a great day.

Mrs Mitwali

Today is Mrs Mitwali's last day before she starts her maternity leave. I am sure you will join me in wishing her and her husband lots of good wishes as they prepare to welcome their baby boy. We look forward to meeting the baby and seeing Mrs Mitwali back in school next year.

New Roof and Windows

The work is well underway now to replace the roof and the windows at the back of the KS2 section of the building. It is quite noisy in school so thank you to the staff and children for their resilience! I am sure it will be worth it when the work has been completed!

	Events
Monday 6 th July	
Tuesday 7 th July	
Wednesday 8 th July	Y1, Y2 and Y3 Sports Day
Thursday 9 th July	Book swap day Y4, Y5 and Y6 Sports Day
Friday 10 th July	