



Respect Resilience High Expectations

4th March 2016

I am hoping that the EYFS outdoor area will be opening very soon – it just needs to be signed off by an inspection team. It has been great to hear all of the positive comments from parents about the grass!

Y3/4 indoor athletics

On Tuesday some of our Year 3 and 4 children had the opportunity to compete against 12 other schools in an Indoor Athletics competition. Heathmere School showed Respect and Resilience in all the events!

We went to an indoor athletics competition on Tuesday. We had to do a lot of relay races and luckily we won our first race. We had so much fun! Sana 4G

World Book Day

Everyone had a great day yesterday as we celebrated World Book Day. Children and staff were dressed as book characters. One of the highlights was some of the teachers dressing up as crayons to read 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalk. Thank you to Mrs Meyrick for organising the day.

Kate from Place2Be

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Kate from P2Be at the Easter holidays. She has been at Heathmere for 4 years and it is time for her to move on. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her all the very best in the future and in thanking her for everything she has done for the children, staff and parents.

Head lice

Please can everyone be extra-vigilant around head lice. The only way to resolve this issue is for every parent to check their child every day and treat head lice as soon as it is seen. Thank you.

School Improvement

There has been a lot going on this week! The teachers have held pupil progress meetings for Y2 and Y5 where the progress of every child is discussed in detail. Y3 children have all had their individual writing conferencing meeting with their teacher where they meet to discuss their writing targets. Miss White and Mr Cooper have delivered training to new teachers from different schools about how to teach maths to children. Next week, we will be welcoming headteachers from 4 different schools, along with an HMI inspector, to review the school and help us plan for improvements. I will update you next week about how this goes.

Staffing update

Many of us are missing Terry around the place! As you know, he has had a hernia operation and we are hoping that he will be back with us soon. We also will be welcoming Mr Meghie to the staff from Monday to become our new Learning Mentor. He worked with us for a few weeks through an agency and got on so well here that he is coming back on a permanent basis. I am sure everyone will help him settle into his new role. He will also be setting up after school clubs so watch out for this information in the future.

Spelling Bee

Spelling Bee has been launched this week- please help your child to learn their 20 words...

Please join us on Thursday 17th March at 9.00am to watch the final. Will your child be Heathmere's first ever Spelling Bee Champ?

Attendance

Highest attendance: 3H with 99%.

Most punctual class: 6J, 5B and 1V

Whole school attendance last week: 93.7%

Individual attendance winners: Ryan (6J), Tyler (2L) Alex (3H), Muneer (3R), Masroor (3R)

	Events	Clubs
Monday 7 th March	Y2, Y5 Library Spelling Bee first test	3.20-4.30Y1/2 football
Tuesday 8 th March		8.00-8.45 Y5/6 football
Wednesday 9 th March	Trumpets Y1 local area walk	3.30-4.30 Y1/2/3 Art 3.30-4.30 Y4/5/6 Hockey
Thursday 10 th March		8.00-8.45 Y3/4 football
Friday 11 th March	Y1, Y5 Library Y6 to Ibstock	3.20-4.30 Y1/2/3 dance 3.20-4.30 Y4/5/6 dance