



## Coronavirus

I am sure that everyone will join me in having some concerns about the Coronavirus situation. I thought it would be helpful to update you regarding everything that is happening in school.

I am receiving a daily email from the Department for Education with clear advice from Public Health. This email is then circulated to all of the staff. We have been following the advice given by Public Health, and will continue to do so.

The children are being spoken to regularly about hand-washing; this is the most important thing that we can all do to prevent the spread. **Wash hands, with soap and warm water, for 25 seconds.**

Any school trips that we have planned, including those into central London, will continue to go ahead, unless we are advised otherwise by Public Health. We will be extra-vigilant around hand-washing and will be adding this to our risk assessments.

Moving forward, we won't be booking any more trips into central London, until the situation settles down and becomes clearer. We will continue with local trips and trips that are not in London, unless advised otherwise by Public Health.

The advice around school closure is very clear: schools should not be closing unless advised to do so by Public Health and/or the Department for Education. I will be doing everything possible to make sure that Heathmere School remains open.

I hope this is all clear. My aim is to ensure that we manage a calm and rational response to the situation, while taking it very seriously, and follow the advice from Public Health.

## School Improvement

We had a successful training day on Monday. We spent the first part of the morning looking at vocabulary development, how we teach vocabulary and how children learn vocabulary. We then spent some time looking at our curriculum. In the afternoon, the leadership team received some training around our styles of leadership.

## Parents' Evening

If you haven't done so already, please make an appointment for parents' evening on Tuesday. I am going to make some changes this time, asking you to complete the survey after your appointment with the teacher. I am also interested to get some information from parents around how your children could be better supported by homework.

**School closes at 2pm on Tuesday for Parents' Evening.**

## World Book Day

On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day. Children really enjoyed coming into school in their pyjamas; it was a very cosy day indeed. To start our day off, all year groups were treated to a story telling assembly from Craig Jenkins. Each class then continued their WBD celebrations by looking at the book '365 penguins' in our Maths lessons. Finally, to end our busy day, classes paired up to share some bedtime stories with each other - thank you to lots of parents who joined us for story time!

## Attendance

For the week: 24.02.20 2020							
Class % Attendance Expectation is 95%				Class Punctuality (Number of Lates)			
RB	92%	3R	81%	RB	19	3R	5
1M	97%	4HD	91%	1M	0	4HD	7
1H	93%	5T	90%	1H	1	5T	1
2HM	88%	5G	94%	2HM	0	5G	2
2DM	92%	6L	98%	2DM	0	6L	5
3L	98%	6B	96%	3L	5	6B	4

Attendance winners this week are 3L and 6L!

Punctuality winners this week are 1M, 2HM and 2DM!

	Events	Clubs 3.30pm – 4.25pm
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 and Y5 to Roehampton Library	Running with Matt – Y3/4/5/6 Football with Tim – Y1/2/3/4
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 swimming 2pm – 6pm Parents Evening	No clubs today
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 to The Lion King Y4 Rackets Cubed 3pm – 6pm Trumpets	Y1 – Y3 Dance with Rachel
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March		Y1/2/3/4 Dodgeball with Tim Y5/6 Girls Football team with Matt
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1, Y4 and Y6 to Roehampton Library	