



**Respect Resilience High Expectations**

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015

As we end another half term I would like to thank all parents and children for their continued support as we move forward at Heathmere. After half term you will see some more new windows in place and the floor is being laid for our new library. I hope we have some good weather in the week off!

## Animal Man

The children in Nursery and Reception had a great time with Animal Man Nick. The children got to see, hold and touch some of the animals he brought such as a snake, tarantula, skunk, an owl and a bearded dragon. Karim said, "It was awesome!"

## Special Speaker

Darcie Mead is British skiing champion and is preparing for the Winter Olympics in 2018. She gave an inspiring talk to KS2 about her skiing career. The children learnt that they should set challenging targets for themselves. She also talked about her training and preparation and showed them all the equipment she uses.

*I learnt that you should really care about what you do and that you should go for your dreams. I also learnt that you can ski at 150km an hour so you have to be brave. Charlie Ann 6P*

## Sports Day

Sports Day for Y1 – Y6 is on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. You should have already had a letter with the details. Remember to wear a t-shirt that has the same colours as your house. Red = Mars, Yellow = Jupiter, Neptune = Blue, Saturn = Green. We hope to see as many parents at Dover House Road as possible. Nursery and Reception will have theirs on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

## Website of the Week

[www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk](http://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk)

## School Improvement

This week the teachers have been looking at assessment of the children's learning. The Government have made some big changes recently about how we assess children's learning. We now have to look at their age and say whether a child is working below age-related expectations, at age-related expectations or above age-related expectations. Children in Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 will be assessed this way. Children who are in Y2 and Y6 will be given a level this year only. I will explain more as we get closer to the end of the year.

## Friends of Heathmere

The Summer BBQ was a great success on Friday. Thank you to everyone who helped to organise the event and also to everyone for waiting so patiently for the burgers and sausages to cook. I think we need to get a bigger BBQ! We raised £128 which will go towards our new library. The Summer Fair is 2pm on Friday 10 July so get it booked in. Please speak to Karen Abbott (Chanie's mum) or Mr Cooper if you would like to help – there is plenty to be done!

[www.facebook.com/friendsofheathmere](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofheathmere)

## International Week

The first week after half term is International Week and the theme is 'Food, Fun and Festivals'. Each class will be finding out about a different country and we will be finishing the week with a food festival at 3.30pm in the hall. If any parents would like to prepare some food then please do! All are welcome!

## Attendance

Highest attendance: 6J with 100% again!

Most punctual class: 6P

Whole school attendance 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May: 96.4%

Individual attendance winners: Perry (2W)

House Point Winner: Jupiter

Smartest Class: 1H

	Events	Clubs
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June		KS1 Football
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June		Other clubs will start in week 2
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day at Dover House Road	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	3.30pm International Celebration Y2 swimming	