



As we head into December, we are starting to think about Christmas! We are going to try and keep things as 'normal' as possible at Heathmere. Our performances will be recorded and parents will be able to view online through a private YouTube channel, which will then be removed after a few days. We will follow all of the necessary online safety guidance and ensure that the performances are not 'searchable'. We used this method for the Y6 Show in the summer and it worked well. If you don't want your child to take part in Christmas activities, please let your child's teacher know directly, or email the office.

One-way system

There have been lots of parents this week checking on the one-way system we have in operation at drop off and collection time.

- Enter through Hyacinth Road Gate
- Exit through Alton Road Gate
- If you have a push chair, you can exit through Hyacinth Road to avoid the stairs
- If you or your child have a disability, you can also exit through Hyacinth Road. You will need to let me, or the person on the gate know if this is the case. We respect people's privacy with this and realise that some disabilities are hidden.

While I realise the one-way system may take a few more minutes for some families, it is important that we are doing our bit at Heathmere to reduce the spread of Covid-19.

Staffing Update

Sadly, Mrs McNulty (Y1 teacher) has decided that she won't be returning to Heathmere after her maternity leave. This is sad news for us but the right decision for Mrs McNulty and her family. I am sure you will join me in thanking her for all of her hard work and contribution to Heathmere. Thankfully, both Miss Mooney and Miss Bio will still be here in January!

School Improvement

This week, Mr Howland (maths leader) has been working with other senior leaders to review children's maths books across the school. There is strong evidence that the lessons are carefully planned and children are making progress within their year group content. Today, Mr Howland is teaching a maths lesson to Year 5, which is being filmed and shown to teachers across South West London to improve their maths teaching skills. It is a real honour to be asked and I am sure the children will be their best-selves!

Reading Challenge

A reminder that the Roehampton Library Reading Challenge (being carried out in school this year) begins on Monday 30th November; it will run until Friday 8th January. Children are encouraged to read 6 books in this time and will receive a medal if they do so. In addition to this, we are running a Book Review competition. Miss Durston will select the best Book Reviews to be displayed in the school libraries. Children who are selected will win a brand new book to keep!

Egg boxes

Can all parents please send spare egg boxes into school? We are collecting them up to 14th December please.

Roehampton Community Box

For those families who collect a Roehampton Community Box, there is an important letter coming out with today's box, giving details of Christmas Boxes. I would also like to thank Orode for her continued dedication to the Roehampton Community Box. Friday is officially her day off from working at Heathmere and she volunteers to run the Hub on a Friday.

Year 3 Chocolate workshop

On Tuesday, we had a wonderful chocolate workshop. We learnt all about chocolate and main ingredients of it. Georgia ,3L

	Events	Clubs
Monday 30 th November	Reading Challenge begins	No clubs this week
Tuesday 1 st December	Y2 Community Art Project – making paperchains	
Wednesday 2 nd December		
Thursday 3 rd December	Y1 Community Art Project – making paperchains Y6 Wandsworth Test Nursery – walk to the post box	
Friday 4 th December	Y4 to Wetlands Nursery – walk to the post box	