



It has been a really good week in school and it feels like we have settled into the new year so quickly.

Y3 trip to Butser Farm

On Wednesday, Year 3 had the most amazing trip to Butser Ancient farm.

I loved being an archaeologist and digging for animal bones. I found a real skull! All of the activities were so much fun and we had beautiful weather.

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Data Collection Sheets

You will be receiving a sheet of paper from the office which lists all of the details we have for parents. Please check this carefully as it is important that we have your up to date information. Best practice also requires us to have 3 different people who we can contact in an emergency. Please share this information. Thankfully, emergencies are rare but when they do happen, we must be able to contact a trusted person for you.

Specialist Teachers

One of the things we have been able to do this year is to have more specialist teachers. Alba is a music specialist who is currently teaching in Nursery, Reception and Y2. Over the year, she will teach in all classes. She is also setting up a choir in KS2. We also have Miss Orode as our artist in residence who will be working across all classes over the year. And then Vicki, dance teacher, has been a real success with all children in Rec – Year 6. She will be with us until half term.

School Improvement

You may be aware that Ofsted have changed their inspection framework from September. There is now a much greater emphasis on the 'wider curriculum' and what the whole school experience feels like for children. At Heathmere we already address much of this but we are thinking carefully about how to make sure children have a really broad experience while they are here.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

These are taking place across the country in September to raise money for MacMillan. We will be holding a coffee morning for parents at 9am on Friday 27th September. We will also have a cake sale after school so please come and support both events. You will receive more information next week.

ESOL, Maths & English

Maths and ESOL classes have started this week. English classes will start in October. You can still come and join these; please talk to Tracey Green if you are interested.

Reception phonics workshop

We had 24 parents attend our Reception phonics workshop this week – what a great turn-out! Thank you to all the parents who attended; I hope you found it informative.

Rackets Cubed

We are involved with a charitable organisation called Rackets Cubed. Their vision is to provide top quality sports coaching in elite environments to local children who may not otherwise be able to experience this. At the same time, they receive maths tuition and have a meal afterwards. Y4 start this on Wednesday with tennis at Roehampton University.

	Events	Clubs
Monday 23 rd September	Y6 Viking Workshop	Y2/3/4 Football - Tim
Tuesday 24 th September	Y5 Swimming	
Wednesday 25 th September	Trumpets 2HM to Pizza Express 3pm Y4 to Rackets Cubed	
Thursday 26 th September	2.15pm Y1 Art Exhibition (apologies for the error with the date on last week's newsletter) Craig Jenkins (Story teller) in	Football Team - Tim
Friday 27 th September	9am MacMillan Coffee Morning	