



Welcome back to a new year at Heathmere. I am sure you will agree that the 6 weeks have flown by! On behalf of the staff team, thank you to parents and children who gave cards and gifts to the adults in school in July. It is one of those things that is never expected but always appreciated. The children have come back to school really settled so we are looking forward to a good year.

Welcome to new staff

As ever at Heathmere, we welcome some new staff to our team. I am sure they will settle in quickly

Miss Beanland	Nursery and Y2 teaching assistant
Miss Mooney	1M teacher
Miss Ahmed	Year 1 teaching assistant
Miss Howard	Y3 teaching assistant
Miss Durston	Assistant Head and 4HD teacher
Miss Griffin	5G teacher

Staff Changes

Congratulations to Ms Hussein who is pregnant and expecting a baby in January. I will update the parents of children in 1H when I finalise plans for who will replace Ms Hussein while she is on maternity leave.

Matt won't be here this half term but we will see him back in October. In the meantime, we have a dance teacher, Vicki, who will teach PE this half term.

We will be welcoming Alba, a specialist music teacher, to the team. She will be with us every Thursday.

It is a pleasure to welcome Mrs McNulty back. She will be teaching in various classes across the school.

Parent Information Meetings

These take place for parents in Y1-Y6 immediately after school, in the classrooms. Please come along as you will meet the teachers, see the classroom and find out all of the important information for the year ahead. They take place over the next couple of weeks and the dates are listed below.

School Improvement

Over the summer, we received confirmation that we had passed our assessment to retain our Flagship Status for the Inclusion Quality Mark. This means that our practice for inclusion continues to be strong enough to share with other schools. Thank you to Mrs Kennedy for leading the way with this.

Getting to bed on time!

I can't help but notice how tired some of the children have seemed this week. I am sure this is partly due to coming back to school and getting back into a routine. Please make sure your children are in bed early enough (for most children this should be by 8pm) and also that children don't have phones and tablets in their bedrooms at night.

Summer Intruders

I have been alerted by some of the neighbours that some older children have been in the school playgrounds during the holidays. If you are aware of this, please come and speak to me or speak to the office. If you have older children, please remind them that this isn't a safe thing to do.

Roehampton Events

The Roehampton Forum takes place this evening at 7.15pm at St Joseph's Church. Sadly, the secretary Robin Bishop passed away in August. He had been very active within Roehampton for many years and our thoughts are with his family.

The Roehampton Festival takes place tomorrow 2pm-7pm on Bull Green (where the buses turn around). Do head along with your families.

Attendance

Next week, we are going to trial an 8.30am pick-up in the school minibus for families who live behind Asda. We think we have spoken to everyone but if you would like to join this, please speak to Tracey Green.

	Events	Clubs
Monday 9 th September	3.20pm Y2 Parent Information Meeting	No clubs this week
Tuesday 10 th September	Nursery and Reception start	
Wednesday 11 th September	3.30pm Y5 Parent Information Meeting	
Thursday 12 th September	3.30pm Y6 Parent Information Meeting House Captain Elections	
Friday 13 th September	9am Attendance assembly Percy (therapy dog) starts	