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HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

30th April 2021

<u>Attendance</u>

We are once again very pleased with levels of attendance since our return from the holidays. Three classes have achieved 100% attendance over the last two weeks! Well done to all the children in **Nemo** for managing this feat twice and to **Leviathan** (for last week) and **Atlantis** (for this week). It is well documented that children who attend school for at least 95% of the time have the best chance of success.



Sustrans Big Pedal

What a fantastic fortnight we have had taking part in Sustrans Big Pedal 2021. Over 600 schools across Britain took part, including 120 in the Greater London region. Our children, from Nursery to Year 6 have undertaken a total of **4,775 active journeys** over the last ten days giving us an average score of



63%. Junior children have been collecting points for their houses for each journey taken. Green House won the challenge with an amazing 572 points.



Thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting the children with this important venture. One parent commented on how she had noticed a reduction in car traffic.

Two Year 6 children had this to say about the experience:

"I have been recently walking to school for the Big Pedal. I've

really enjoyed helping and saving the environment. I would usually go by bus, but that uses a lot of petrol which lets out the gases and causes pollution. I will continue walking to school and I hope this encourages more people to walk to school or work." Matylda



"The Big Pedal is an event where we travel to school by walking, scootering or cycling but not car because this pollutes the Earth. Our goal is to convince as many people to travel like this so we can save the Earth. I will continue to journey to school like this because I can arrive at school quickly and I enjoy riding my bike."



Netball for Year 2



Pufferfish and Butterflyfish had their first taste of Netball this week. They will continue with weekly sessions until half term and then it will be the turn of Angelfish and Tetra Fish. Nivaan said "*It was really good. My favourite part was when we passed to each other ten times and then ran around the cones and scored in the net. Our team were the first to score 5 points. Next week I want to learn how to throw in the higher nets."*

PTA News

The PTA were delighted at the response to the Spring Trail and Raffle event which took place during the Easter holidays. One parent reported that her children "absolutely loved following the clues and trying to find



the finish line where they could plant their flower seeds. We often go to the park now to see if we can see the flowers growing." Hopefully the wildflower patch will soon spring into life! It is

located on the Rec alongside Cobbett Road.

The winning Spring Trail Raffle numbers were: 49 (1st) 6 (2nd) 30 (3rd)

50/50 Club

The latest draw of the 50/50 Club took place on Monday 26th April.

The winning numbers were: 7 (1st) 41 (2nd) 8 (3rd)

The next draw takes place just next week on **Monday 3rd May**. Please contact the PTA on hsfpta@gmail.com if you would like to join. It will cost £4 for the remaining four draws this year.

<u>AGM</u>

The PTA are very pleased to announce they appointed a new Treasurer at their AGM on Tuesday evening. They also kindly agreed to pay towards the cost of the Year 4 duckling hatching kits, arriving on Monday 10th May!

FoHRGE Plant Swap

On **Sunday 2nd May**, between midday and 2pm, the Friends of Heathfield



Recreation Grounds and Environs are hosting their second plant swap event. Please take along cuttings, seedlings and plants to swap or just go along to pick some up. Homemade cakes will also be available for 50p. The

swap will be taking place on the green by Ellerman and Lyndhurst Avenues.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday **4th** and Wednesday **5th May** - Year 3 Ministry of Chocolate Workshops Monday **10th May** - Duckling hatching kits arrive for Year 4 Thursday **27th May** - Class photographs Monday **31st May** - Friday **4th June** - Half Term Monday **7th June** - INSET day (no children in school) Thursday **10th** - Friday **11th June** - Year 2 Scooter Training (details to follow) Friday **25th** - Monday **28th June** - Year 6 PGL Trip to Osmington Bay Week beginning Monday **5th July** - Parents' Evening (details to follow) Thursday **8th** - Friday **9th July** - Year 4 Bushcraft Trip



Wildflower Patch (school in the background)



