



HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

10th December 2021

NEWSPLETTER

Attendance

Congratulations to all the children in Waterlily Class (infants) and Kumar Class (juniors) for having the best attendance this week.

Fizz Pop Science

Children in Years 1 and 2 enjoyed a special assembly on Monday with Fizz Pop Scientist Tim. The children took part in several exciting science tricks and experiments. Jenil said, *"It was good because we got to do loads of fun experiments like pulling people with air and blowing toilet paper everywhere!"*. Olivia agreed, *"I enjoyed it because we learnt how to make friction. I also liked it when we stuck two plungers together and couldn't pull them apart because they were too big and heavy!"* Fizz Pop will return next term to run an after school club for Years 1 and 2. Further information will follow shortly.



Design and Technology for Years 3-5

The children in Years 3-5 have had a lot of fun recently with their DT projects. Each child has explored, designed and then made bread (Year 3), kites (Year 4) and cookies (Year 5).



SPARK! Book Awards



Children in the Infants have had lots of fun reading and exploring the SPARK! Book Awards longlist this week. Tom Percival, author of *Tilda Tries Again* was so impressed with photos of the children's work that he tweeted, *"These are fantastic! Great work everyone! I love the characters you've made and the illustrations are SO colourful!"*

As a school we are supporting SPARK!'s JustGiving appeal. The money raised will help SPARK! provide free books to children who might not otherwise be able to access them. Please click on the QR code shown if you would like to donate to this appeal.



Cooking Clubs



Cooking clubs have been popular in both schools this term. Colby in Mahlangu said, *"We've made cookies, a sandwich wrap, fruity faces and pitta pizzas. My favourite was the cookies. You can also call them biscuits. I like helping my mum make tuna pasta at home."*



Year 6 Visit from Rabbi



Last Tuesday Rabbi Zvi came to visit the children in Year 6 to tell them more about the Jewish religion. Reva in Riley reports, "It was very interesting. He told us about Hanukah and showed us the Torah and the Mezuzah. He also explained how he celebrates the Sabbath with his family on a Friday night. We



got to taste special bread called Challah. It is made with special grain and tasted delicious! The Rabbi also explained the Hebrew origins of many of our names."

Final Tours of Nursery and Reception - 7th January 2022

Our recent tours of Nursery and Reception have proved very popular and well attended. Our final tours will be held on **Friday 7th January 2022** at 9.30am and 1.30pm. If you, or any friends, have a child who will be three or four by 1st September 2022, they are eligible for a place in our Nursery or Reception. Please book a place for the tour by contacting the Infant Office. You may also be interested in our virtual tour which is available by clicking [here](#).



Please note the closing date for applications for admission in September 2022 to Reception (and Year 3) is **Saturday 15th January 2022**. Apply online via the [eAdmissions](#) website.

The Nursery application deadline is later, 4th March 2022. Paper application forms for our Nursery are available from the Infant Office.

Year 3 Stone Age Day

Last week Year 3 enjoyed their Stone Age day. John from Banksy explains, "An archaeologist came and showed us Stone Age tools and shared what happened in Stone Age times. We learnt how they used weapons to kill animals to get food and to kill people who tried to invade them. We played games how they would hunt and gather. At the end we learnt how to make Stonehenge and a tiny bit about why it was built." When asked what his favourite part of the day was, John replied "All of it!"



Rocksteady Concerts

Our Rock Steady bands from both infants and juniors put on wonderful performances today and last week, showcasing the songs they have been working on this term. Alex from Waterlily Class said, "It was fun. I played the piano. Our song was *Best Day of My Life*." If your child would like to be in a Rocksteady band, please visit their website [here](#) to register your interest.



PTA

The PTA are very excited to be hosting a GROTTTO for all the children in the Infants on Monday 13th December. Throughout the day the children will get the chance to come and greet Father Christmas and collect a small gift as a thank you from the big man himself (on behalf of Heathfield PTA).



They are also pleased to be giving all children in the Juniors a small gift that they will receive during their class parties on Thursday 16th December, also as a thank you from Heathfield PTA. They wish everyone a super holiday!

Dates for your diary

Tuesday **14th December**, 3.15pm - Choir to perform *Songs by Candlelight* in playground

Wednesday **15th December** - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday **16th December** - Mufti Day, Christmas parties in the afternoon - **Last day of term**

Friday **17th December** - Promise Sports Multi-Activity Day - [contact Mark Bitmead on 07710 658179](#)

Monday **20th** - Friday **24th December** - Sport4Kids Multi-Activity Camp - [click here to book](#)

Tuesday **4th January 2022** - Children return to school after the holidays

Friday **7th January** - 9.30am & 1.30pm - Nursery and Reception Tours - **book at the infant office**