

HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

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Heathfield Infants Newsletter





Best Attendance

This week's Best Attendance was achieved by Koala Class KS1 and Sea Turtles Class in Reception.

What We Have Been Doing



This week in <u>Nursery</u> the children listened to the story of Christmas, visited Santa's Grotto, had a fabulous Christmas party and finished off with Christmas songs. I am sure you agree that the children were fantastic. All events are now on Tapestry. We would like to thank you all for the kind messages and gifts we have received and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and restful holiday fun. We look forward to seeing

you in the New Year.

In <u>Reception</u> the children have been very busy this week enjoying all the Christmas activities. Their Christmas jumpers were fantastic and they had a great time at their party. We hope you enjoyed our Christmas songs and craft activities and saw how enthusiastic the children were. Thank you to those of you that were able to make it; the children get so much

children were. Thank you to those of you that were able to make it; the children get so much out of sharing their classroom and completing activities with you. Do not worry if you did not make, as we will have another open morning next term.



Yesterday <u>Year 1</u> watched to the end of our visual English unit, 'Lily and the Snowman'. The children focused on using emotional vocabulary to describe how the characters were feeling and were able to write 'in role' using 'because' to join their sentences. In maths we continued our work on shapes, exploring patterns in 2D and 3D shapes.

Year 2 had a very creative week to complete the term. In English we followed instructions to make some delicious gingerbread, we then wrote our instructions about what we did. We used great imperative verbs and time connectives to order our instructions so they were very clear to follow. We then followed another set of instructions to make our own snowmen. The children tried very hard and created some fantastic snowmen. All the children made calendars with pictures of members of the class on. In maths we recalled our addition and subtraction knowledge and applied this to solve problems. Iguana class and Hippo class became historians with Jen from the National Archives. We had our very first video conference and were able to discuss the sources and documents relating to the Great Fire of London and how these prove the events that we have read in information books. Koala class and Panda class will have the opportunity to do this next half term. The children all had a great time at their class parties and really enjoyed watching the pantomime today. It was such a great way to begin the holidays. Finally, the whole Year 2 team would like to say a huge thank you for your on-going support. It has been a fantastic term and we are extremely proud of what the children have achieved. Happy holidays!

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As you are aware we are holding an attendance raffle in the Reception classes. The first month's prize for a child with 100% attendance was a trip to Hounslow Urban farm, won by Harnaik Maden. Then November's prize was a family trip to snakes and ladders, won by Aahana Hegde.

This month our 100% attendance challenge has been won by Isaac Hurley...Well done Isaac, you were in school 100% between 2nd December and 20th December. You have won a voucher for Cineworld. We hope you enjoy the film!

Congratulations to all of our winners. Look out for further challenges in the future

New School Menu

Attached is the delicious new style school lunch menu for you to peruse for the Spring Term 2020, along with the Primary Allergens Chart and our catering provider's 'Sugar Sheriff' initiative. Remember that Infant School children are entitled to a FREE school meal. If your child has a packed lunch and would like to change to a free school lunch, please let the school office know at any time. You can find all information on our website www.heathfieldschoolspartnership.org

Festive Activities



The children across the whole school thoroughly enjoyed their class parties this week! Thank you for all the generous contributions of food. From Nursery to Year 2, all the children absolutely loved visiting Santa's Grotto and met Father Christmas and his Elf Helper, especially as he handed out presents to all the children. Thank you to our lovely PTA who organized this event and made is so amazing. The children were delighted also today as they watched Hurricane

Productions Theatre Company perform a magical version of the pantomime 'Jack and the Beanstalk'!



Science Week – January 2019

We are excited to announce that Science Week will start on Monday 20th January 2020. It will be taking place in both the Infant and Junior schools. This year, the theme is 'Famous Scientists'. Throughout the week, children will be re-

creating investigations that famous, real scientists carried out to help them make a particular discovery. They will also find out about how 'modern day' scientists have carried on their work today.

As part of Science Week, we have arranged for Fizz Pop Science to visit from Tuesday 21st to Friday 24th January. They will be running assemblies and workshops for all children from Reception to Year 6. Children will learn about a range of topics and themes appropriate to their year group, including Darwin's evolution, how rainbows are formed, and 'Hair Raising Electrons'. The workshops will provide an exciting and interactive opportunity for children to get involved in science. On Friday, 24th January, we are having a scientific fancy dress competition! We ask that children come into school in costume as a famous scientist or as themselves as a future scientist. We will be awarding prizes for the best fancy dress at the end of the day. Please see the letter sent home today for help with ideas!

We hope you are looking forward to Science Week 2020, which has very kindly been part funded by our wonderful PTA.

Food Bank Donations

Miss Rood and Miss English would like to thank everybody who contributed to the Richmond food bank. They were overwhelmed by the School's support and the resources will be used over the festive period.

Happy Christmas!

Thank you for all the support you continue to give the school. We hope you have a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas period and wish you all a very Happy New Year.

We look forward to seeing all the children return to school on <u>Tuesday</u>, 7th <u>January 2020 at 8.55am</u>. Nursery will return at their usual session times.