



# Heathfield Infants Newsletter

### Best Attendance

Best Attendance this week was achieved by Bluebird in Reception and Finch Class in Key Stage One both with a fantastic 98%. 'Well Done' to both classes.

### What We Have Been Doing

This week in Nursery we have been to the school library and demonstrating our love of stories and books. We have been learning to handle books with care and concern and turn the pages correctly. If you have not done so, you could join a local library as it can provide many resources and has regular story telling sessions.

[https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/richmondcard/richmond\\_card\\_for\\_libraries](https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/richmondcard/richmond_card_for_libraries)

Over the half term holiday we have asked you and your child to complete an Animal Challenge, so please see the separate letter given out today. We hope you all have a good half term.



This week in Reception we have listened to the last part of our focus book 'Handa's Surprise'. The children have loved finding out what the surprise was at the end of the story and that even Handa's was surprised! The children have been discovering facts about some of the animals that have

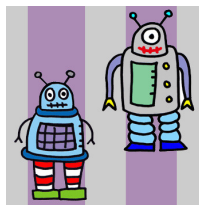


appeared in the story too and learning about the different environments that they live in and how similar and different Africa is to the UK. In maths we have been recognising coins and playing shops. If you get time over half term, see if you can reinforce coin recognition or even give a small amount of money to your child to spend in a shop. Post it on Tapestry so we can see what they bought! We hope you have a lovely half term and, remember, if you go anywhere or your child does something new for the first time, please put it on Tapestry. We love to see what your child gets up to outside of school.

This week, Year 1 wrote their own 'Claude' adventures. We wrote a story with a beginning, middle and end and used sentence openers and interesting words to improve our writing. In maths we continued our work on length and height and enjoyed using a ruler to measure in centimeters and practised working out if an object is shorter or longer than another object. Why not try using a ruler to measure objects at home?



In English this week, Year 2 really enjoyed retelling the story of 'The Robot and the Bluebird'. We also designed our own robots and wrote some amazing character descriptions. Year 2 have been working really hard and have used some fantastic vocabulary including similes. In maths we have



continued with our fractions topic and focused on fractions of amounts and had a brilliant 'fractions carousel' where children had to solve and collect word problems. We hope you have a lovely half term break. We are looking forward to starting a new non-fiction book in English and cannot wait to see everyone's costumes in Book Week.

### Heathfield Schools' PTA

Thank you to our fantastic Heathfield Schools' PTA who did an amazing job organizing our Valentine's Hot Chocolate and cake sale yesterday and thank you to everyone who bought a drink or cake!



We raised the fantastic amount of **£465.00** which will go towards buying equipment for the children at school.

### Monday Singalong

Start your week with a song! Come along to the Infant hall every Monday morning for 20 minutes of singing with parents, children and staff. Mr Speck will lead a session of popular songs for everyone, and also teach you a thing or two about good vocal technique! The first session will start after half-term on Monday, 25th February so arrive around 8.25am ready to sing at 8.30am. There is no need to have any singing experience and no need to sing a solo (unless you want to!). Toddlers and younger siblings are also welcome to join. Please note that you are responsible for supervising your child during this time, and you must accompany them for drop-off in the playground ready for the start of the day as normal. See you there!



### Bedtime Stories – Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March – 5.30pm until 6.30pm

To celebrate World Book Week and our love of books, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are invited to our 'Bedtime Stories' evening.

The children can come back to school on this evening, wearing pyjamas, a dressing gown and slippers (pillow & teddy bear optional!). They will be offered drinks and a biscuit and will be able to listen to exciting bedtime stories read by the staff!

If you would like your child to come along to this fun event, please complete the tear-off slip below sent home yesterday no later than Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

### WORLD BOOK DAY – Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March

On Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March all the children from Nursery to Year 2 can come into school dressed as their favourite book character. We are really looking forward to seeing all the fantastic creations/costumes and guessing which book they are from!

On the day all children will receive a £1 book voucher towards buying a book from the suppliers taking part.



### Return to School

We hope you have a restful half term and look forward to seeing all the children return to school on

**Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> February** at 8.55am. The Nursery will return at their usual session time of 8.45am.



## Heathfield Schools' Partnership

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Will your child be 3 years old  
before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019?

Did you know you are entitled to a  
**FREE nursery place?**

Come to our **Nursery open afternoon** on  
**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February** from 1.30-3.00pm  
(Entrance on Longford Road, Whitton)