



HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

12th September 2025

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Parents and Carers

A really warm welcome to the new term. We are delighted with how well the children have settled into their new classes. The children in all year groups have already shown such enthusiasm and interest in their learning.

As you know we are now using one main office for the whole school and this is going well. Please do feel free to email queries to office@heathfield-inf.richmond.sch.uk during busy periods and we will respond as quickly as possible.

We have started the year with excellent attendance across the school and this has made a big impact on how well the children have settled. Our challenge is to now keep that up throughout the year. We have an exciting new attendance competition this term - look out for more details next week. Please book appointments outside school time wherever possible and please remember that term-time holidays are unauthorised as they are so detrimental to the children's learning in school.

Mrs Child and Mr Colenso

Settling into School

Our youngest children in Nursery have settled in very well this week. There has been lots of great exploration and imaginative play. When asked about their favourite thing to do in Nursery, Hamish said "I like to play in the garden" and Pearl replied "I like the babies."



Getting busy in Nursery

Our Reception children have also had a brilliant start to their school journey and have been busy exploring all the different areas available to them. The adults have been particularly impressed with how kind and helpful the children have been.

Matteo from Elm class said "I love the tree house" while Aaron from Oak class said "I like sweeping up the apples and leaves with my brother!". Milo from Bay class added, "I love playing with the Mobilo".

Results

Last year was another successful year for children across the federation in terms of their academic achievement. Our results, which can be seen in more detail on our [website](#), show that our Year 6 children scored above the national average for SATs in all subjects. For example 87% of our children achieved the expected standard in maths compared with 74% nationally and 81% reached the expected standard in writing, compared with 72% nationally. It was a similar story for our Year 4 children with their multiplication table checks in the summer term. 70% of our children scored full marks in the test compared with 34% nationally. Likewise children in Reception achieved above national average figures for GLD (Good Level of Development) and Year 1 for their Phonics Screening Check. Details will be on the website shortly.



Exploring Reception

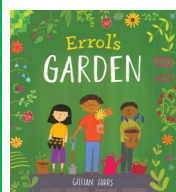
Young Writers Competition

We are very proud of the Year 2 children who submitted work at the end of last year to the Young Writers' Competition. Mrs Watson said, "They worked so hard and will now have the opportunity for their work to be published in a book." A letter will come home today to ask parents for permission to include their child's work in the book.



Year 1

The children have made a positive transition to Year 1. They have settled into the new routines and have been enjoying some indoor and outdoor learning. They have been developing their teamwork and collaboration skills, fine and gross motor skills and have been enjoying writing sentences about their new book *Errol's Garden*.



Outdoor Learning

The Great Dream

In the junior school, throughout the year, the children participate in assemblies about the GREAT DREAM. The GREAT DREAM

GIVING		Do things for others
RELATING		Connect with people
EXERCISING		Take care of your body
AWARENESS		Live life mindfully
TRYING OUT		Keep learning new things
DIRECTION		Have goals to look forward to
RESILIENCE		Find ways to bounce back
EMOTIONS		Look for what's good
ACCEPTANCE		Be comfortable with who you are
MEANING		Be part of something bigger

outlines ten key principles that can help children and adults have happier and more fulfilling lives. The first five (GREAT) focus on external actions with the second five (DREAM) representing internal attitudes. This week Mr Shaw taught how 'giving' not only presents, but kind words, time and actions can make us feel happier. For further information click [here](#).

FOHSP AGM

All parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of our PTA, the *Friends of Heathfield Schools' Partnership (FOHSP)*. The meeting will be held on:

Monday 22nd September
at **2.30pm** in the **Infant Hall**.

FOHSP enables us to hold wonderful events like our Summer Fair while at the same time raising money for the school to subsidise enrichment activities for all our children. If you are able to help out in any way, large or small, please do come along to find out more.



Dates for your Diary

Thursday **18th September, 9am** - Welcome to Year 6 Meeting for Parents and Carers
Monday **22nd September, 2.30-3pm** - PTA, Friends of Heathfield Schools' Partnership AGM
Thursday **25th September** - Year 6 Junior Citizen Trip to Heatham House, Twickenham
Tuesday **30th September** - Flu vaccines - give consent through the [online form](#) by 25th September
Wednesday **15th October** - Year 3 Stone Age Day (dress up as a Stone Age person)
Thursday **16th October** - Year 4 Roman Day (dress up as a Roman)
Monday **20th October, 3.45-6.15pm** - Parents' Evening for Juniors
Tuesday **21st October, 3.30-6.15pm** - Parents' Evening for Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Juniors
Thursday **23rd October, 3.30-6.15pm** - Parents' Evening for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
Monday **27th** - Friday **31st October** - HALF TERM
Friday **31st October** - Deadline for secondary school applications. Apply through [eAdmissions](#)
Tuesday **4th November** - Year 6 Science Trip to Bushy Park
Tuesday **2nd December** - Year 1 and Year 2 Movie night
Thursday **4th December** - Nursery and Reception Movie night
Tuesday **9th December, 9.15am and 2.15pm** - Reception and Year 1 Nativity Performances
Wednesday **10th December, 9.15am** - Reception and Year 1 Nativity Performance
Thursday **11th December, 10am** - Junior Rocksteady Concert
Friday **12th December, 10.30am** - Infant Rocksteady Concert
Friday **19th December** - END OF TERM