

HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

14th February 2025

Attendance

Well done to the children in **Rowan** in Infants for winning best attendance for two weeks running and to **Temple Grandin, Attenborough** and **Coco** in Juniors for having the best attendance over the last fortnight.

Attendance Matters



Children's Mental Health Week: 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'

Last week was Children's Mental Health Week and the theme for 2025 is *Know Yourself, Grow Yourself*. The aim is to support children to explore the importance of expressing their emotions. The more we can understand about ourselves, the more prepared we are to express our emotions and take on life's ups and downs. The resources this year were linked to the *Inside Out 2* characters.



Children across both schools have taken part in an assembly based on this theme and have carried out activities in their classes. This has included peer massage workshops for children from Nursery through to Year 4. Children in Nursery and Infants also took part in yoga.

Mila in Birch class said *"In mental health week we were thinking all about our feelings. When we did yoga it made me feel happy and the peer massage was really relaxing and made me feel calm."* Lyla in Magnolia class said *"When we did yoga we thought about our breathing, breathing in and out slowly to help us feel calm and happy."* Children in



Worry Dolls



Joyful Sock Day

Maple Class also talked about how to manage their feelings and made 'worry dolls' to help them when they are feeling worried.

The week ended with Joyful Sock Day where children were encouraged to express themselves by wearing socks which made them feel joyful while at the same time raising money for *The Purple Elephant Project*, a charity that supports children with mental health issues. We are pleased to report we raised £300 through cash donations on the day and more through QR scans. As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. Please follow this link to find [Top Tips For Families](#).



Peer Massage in Year 3



Peer Massage in Year 2

Movie Night

Our Infant children have enjoyed a range of films this week at their different year group movie nights. Nursery watched *Lost and Found* which Paige enjoyed very much saying, *"When are we having a another movie night? It was good fun"*. Reception watched Julia Donaldson's *Tiddler* while Year 1 and 2 saw *Bolt* and *Encanto*. Matilda from Year 1 said *"Bolt was a good movie and we got two biscuits and popcorn too!"*



Nursery watching *Lost and Found*

Sensory Play

Children in Maple class have been exploring different textures of food this



week in their sensory play. They enjoyed feeling and hearing the crunch of the cereals, as well as filling and emptying bowls.



Tudor Workshops

Year 5 have taken part in two Tudor workshops recently. Evie said, "We learnt how to dance like Tudors, holding our dresses, clapping to the side and skipping around. I really liked it. We danced to music created by King Henry VIII. For our theatre workshop, we set up a Tudor village with lots of shops. A town crier came in and told us some women had been accused of witchcraft. We learnt about witchcraft trials and also saw a Tudor play where men took the part of women since women



were not allowed to act."

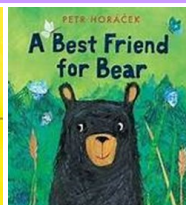
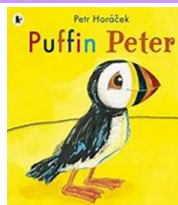
Planetarium Visit

Last Friday Year 5 had a visit from the Planetarium. Harrison explains, "We were told all about space and the constellations like the dragon, bear and dolphin. The man taught us that the planets are spinning while the sun is stationary so it looks like the sun is moving but it's the other way round. We learnt about how they transported a car to the moon in pieces and assembled it there. It's heavier so works better with less gravity and can explore more quickly than people. He also showed us space rocks like asteroids. It was amazing."



Book Week

We have a whole host of activities planned for World Book Day which will take place on Thursday 6th March this year. In Years 1 and 2, books by Petr Horáček have been read during assemblies this half term and the children will get the opportunity to meet the author and illustrator himself during Book Week. They will be able to ask him questions about his animal characters, which explore themes of friendship and caring for others, as well as buy a signed copy of their favourite book.

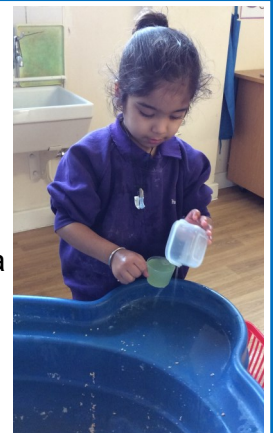


In the Juniors, our Reading Ambassadors took part in a special assembly to launch World Book Day recommending books they have recently read and loved. They also shared their favourite places to cosy up with a book. Our Reading Ambassadors are in the library at lunchtimes to provide reading support and advice.



Fig

In Fig Class, we have been incredibly busy this half term, learning to focus during 'bucket time', listening to a sensory story and practising name writing and mark making. We have also been



practising climbing, balancing and following instructions. In the outdoor area, we have designed, constructed and driven our own car!



Dates for your Diary

Monday **17th February** - Friday **21st February** - HALF TERM

Monday **24th February** - Year 3 start swimming lessons

Monday **3rd** - Friday **7th March** - World Book Week - [see separate letters](#)

Tuesday **11th** and Wednesday **12th March** - Year 4 Visit to Orleans Gallery (2 classes each day)

Friday **21st March** - Comic Relief - Wear **RED** for the suggested donation of £1

Friday **21st March** - Monday **24th March** - Year 6 School Journey to Osmington Bay

Monday **24th March** - Duckling hatching kits arrive in Year 4

Thursday **27th March, 10am** - Junior Rocksteady Concert

Friday **28th March, 10am** - Infant Rocksteady Concert

Tuesday **1st April** - Year 4 Bushcraft Trip

Thursday **3rd April** - RMT Singing Festival for the Choir in Kingston

Friday **4th April** - End of Spring Term [Click here for all 2024-2025 term dates](#)

Tuesday **22nd April** - Start of Summer Term

Girls' Football Team to represent Fulham FC

Last term, the Year 6 Girls' Football Team won the Fulham Cup at Fulham's Training Ground in a qualifying competition. As a result, they were invited back on Monday 3rd February, along with seven other schools that also won their qualifying competitions, to compete in the Regional Primary Stars Tournament.

The girls performed exceptionally well, winning six out of seven games against some of the best schools in the region. They faced many academy players representing their schools but rose to the challenge.

I am incredibly proud to announce that the girls won the Regional Primary Stars Tournament and have earned the opportunity to represent Fulham FC in the Premier League National Tournament. The competition will take place in June at the Wolves FC stadium in Wolverhampton.

Mr Nuthall



Year 2 Festival

Our newest and youngest football team from Year 2 took part in their first Richmond Borough Football Festival at Rocks Lane in Barnes this week. The boys won most of their games in this non-competitive event where they represented the school for the very first time.

Daniel said, "It was really good because it wasn't a knockout tournament so we got to play lots of games. There were some hard teams to go against. I enjoyed it, I even got to see my cousin there!"



Year 4 Tournament

Last Thursday saw our Year 4 Girls' Football Team take part in their second Richmond Borough Tournament this term. Mr Nuthall said, "They faced five schools throughout the morning, most of which had not participated in the first tournament which took place in January. Once again, the team won all their games. That makes it two tournament wins out of two for them." Poppy said, "Having won the first tournament I felt pressure before the second one and we were very relieved to win two in a row."



League Match v Nelson

On Wednesday, both our girls' and boys' teams played Nelson School in the Richmond Borough Football League. Mr Nuthall said, "The boys won 10-3 with Jenil and Finley both making their debut and getting a goal each. The girls won 11-0 with Olivia, Kemaia and Poppi all scoring their first goals for Heathfield. Poppi actually went on to get a hat trick! Some of our younger students - Alexis, Poppy and Sophia - also made their debut for the Year 6 team." The boys have now qualified for the final 16. The girls will play Chase Bridge and Bishop Perrin after half term to determine whether they progress to the next stage.

Friendly Match against Orleans Primary

Last Wednesday, 17 children from Years 3 and 4 played football against Orleans Primary School. Every child enjoyed equal time on the pitch, with many representing the school for the first time. It was a close game but the team managed to come away with a 5-4 win. Since it was a friendly game, the children also enjoyed a penalty shootout at the end.

