

HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

14th June 2024

Attendance

Well done to the following classes for having the best attendance over the last two weeks: Magnolia, Rowan, Simmonds and Taylor-Brown.



Dance Club at Twickenham School

Last Thursday, our Friday lunchtime dance club attended a dance competition held at Twickenham School. The competition was between secondary school aged children. Elodie-Jayne explains, "Another primary school opened the competition. Then the secondary schools danced and we closed it. We danced to "I'm a believer" from Shrek the Musical. I was really happy to dance for such a big audience."



Visit from the Fire Service

Our Nursery children enjoyed a visit from the Fire Service this week. They were able to sit in



the truck and have a go at handling some of the equipment. They showed great knowledge and understanding of the emergency service,

"You need to call 999" said Frankie-Lee.

Martina explained, "They pour water because of the fire" and Maelys added, "They have a ladder to go up trees to save cats." Halim particularly enjoyed sitting in the driver's seat, "I loved sitting there because fire fighters are so cool."

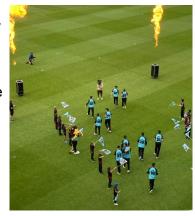


Cricket News

Our cricketers have had a busy time recently. Last Thursday they welcomed ex-England and Middlesex cricketer Angus Fraser alongside Richmond and Jersey leg spinner Ben Ward and South East Stars Ivreen Dhaliwal for an assembly followed by a masterclass. Ola said, "The assembly was about the experience of the cricketers from not knowing much to playing for England and other teams. Then I learnt how to bowl off spin. Some people learnt how to bowl leg spin. It was really good."

The following day eight girls from Heathfield, past and present, formed part of the guard of honour for the Surrey v Sussex game at The Oval. Yesterday ten girls took on this

role at Lord's for



the Sunrisers and Middlesex games.

Year 3 Visit to Kew Gardens



Last Tuesday, Year 3 went on a trip to Kew Gardens to enrich their learning in science. Aria, from Pendleton, said, "My favourite thing was looking at the plants - it was really interesting and I love nature. The monkey puzzle tree was funny because the branches look like a monkey's tail. The other thing I enjoyed was my lunch! When we were in the Palm House, we pretended to be in a rainforest. The temperature was about 25°C and it was hot and steamy."



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Year 5 Tag Rugby Tournament

Last week, 12 children from Year 5 went to The Stoop, home of Harlequins to play in a tag rugby tournament. For all but one player, this was their first experience of tournament rugby. They played their games on the pitch inside the stadium. Teddy said, "We played a bunch of other schools and won all our matches apart from the last one. We had lunch there too. It was really good to play there." Mr Nuthall was very proud of the team and said they received many compliments from the Harlequin coaches.



Summer Reading Challenge

Children from Years 2 - 5 met with staff from the Alligator's Mouth Bookshop this week to choose books for their summer reading chal-

lenge. Alex from Chestnut said, "We talked about different books and I chose a book called Huxley and Flapjack. It's about a stolen outfit. It has really good pictures too." The books have now been ordered and will be given to the children later this term.

Orange Tree Theatre

Our Year 6 children enjoyed an outing to the Orange Tree Theatre in Richmond last week to see a performance of Hamlet. Dhyana said, "The show was really entertaining, an amazing story with enthusiastic actors, lots of funny bits, but also things to make us jump and gasp." Lisa continued, "My favourite part was the fight scene at the end, it was very clever how they showed this. The dance routines were also great."



Dalemead Care Home

This week is Loneliness Awareness Week and the theme is *Random Acts of Connection*. During the pandemic, our school was linked with Dalemead Care Home by the non-profit organisation, <u>Community Senior Letters</u>. We have continued communicating with the residents of Dalemead since that time, sending them cards and letters throughout the year, most recently at Easter-time. Nina Anderson, founder of Community Senior Letters has recently said, "Your school's participation as a member of our letter writing community has been truly remarkable, and the letters your students have sent have brought immense joy and comfort to the care home residents." Sarah, the Activity Co-ordinator from Dalemead agrees, "Thank you SO much for the Easter cards! They are fabulous! The residents love them."



Dates for your Diary

Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th June, 9am - Maths Workshops: Year 1 Parents - see email for more details Friday 21st June - Mufti Day for Summer Fair. Infants to bring a bottle, Juniors to bring a soft toy. Saturday 22nd June, 12-3pm - SUMMER FAIR

Monday **24th** - Wednesday **26th June**, **9am** - Maths Workshops: Year 2 Parents - see email for more details Monday **1st July** - All Change Day

Friday **5th July** - Junior Sports Day

Monday **8th July** and Tuesday **9th July, 3.45-6.15pm** - Parents' Evening for Years 3, 4 and 5 Tuesday **9th July, 2pm-7pm** - Parents' Evening for Year 6

Tuesday 9th July and Thursday 11th July, 3.30-6pm - Parents' Evening for Reception, Years 1 and 2

Thursday 11th July, 5.30-7pm - Year 6 Leavers' Disco - more information to follow

Friday 12th July - Infant Sports Day

Monday **15th** and Tuesday **16th July, 9am** - Year 2 Leavers' Celebration for parents and carers Wednesday **17th** and Thursday **18th July, 7pm** - Year 6 Production for parents and carers

Thursday 18th July, 10.15am - Junior Rocksteady Concert

Friday 19th July, 9.45am - Infant Rocksteady Concert

Wednesday 24th July - Last day of term