



HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

14th November 2025

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Attendance

Congratulations to the children in **Maple** and **Birch** in Infants for having the best attendance for two weeks running and to **Myrtle** and **Mackinac Island** in Juniors for having the best attendance since half term.

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Junior Homework Project Showcase

Thank you to all the Junior parents and carers who joined us for our first Homework Project Showcase. Mrs Homer said, *"It was wonderful to see so many children explaining their impressive homework projects to their parents. It was clear that the children had worked hard on their projects and could explain clearly the facts that they had learnt. What a great chance for the children to practise their oracy skills. As well as this, our Year 4 parents joined us for our MTC workshop where they learnt some top tips about how to support their children learn their times tables. A mathematics skill for life."*



Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court Palace

Over the last two Fridays, all Year 5 classes have visited Hampton Court Palace in line with their learning about The Tudors. The children loved seeing where King Henry VIII lived and applying their learning in the classroom. They saw portraits they have studied, imagined they were guests at King Henry VIII's banquet in his Great Hall and saw where over 800 meals a day were made in the kitchens.



Blake said *"People say that you can hear one of Henry's wives screaming in the haunted gallery. I tried to listen, but I couldn't hear her!"*

Reception Visit from Guide Dog Lemar

Yesterday, our Reception children had two special visitors. To tie in with their English text 'Oh No George!' they met Lemar, a guide dog and his owner Jade. Phoebe said, *"He helps Jade because she has poorly eyes. He helps her get out into the world. When Lemar had his harness off, we could stroke him. He was very soft and very well behaved."*



Year 1 Toys Through Time Workshop

Year 1 had a workshop with the Chertsey Toy Museum this week.



The children had a wonderful time exploring toys from different eras such as Jacob's Ladders, spinners and telescopes. Ekansh said, *"In history we have learnt about toys and whether they are new or old. I like new toys best."* Nevaeh said, *"My favourite part was making a bird in a cage. You cut out two pieces of paper and draw a bird on one and a cage on the other. You glue them together and attach string to the ends. When you spin it, it tricks your eyes and looks like the bird is in the cage."*



Year 6 Trip to Bushy Park Stockyard

Last Tuesday, Year 6 went to Bushy Park Stockyard to consolidate their knowledge of minibeasts and classification keys in science. They collected data by pond dipping and finding out all the different species that live in the grounds of the stockyard. Each child



took turns weaving the net in a figure of eight movement to collect the insects before carefully placing them in the containers so they could follow the key and identify what they had captured. They saw pond snails, a ramshorn snail, freshwater shrimp, a dragonfly nymph, fleas, a fish, a hare worm, leeches, a damselfly nymph and many beetles.



Ramshorn Snail

Mrs Mullen said, *"It was so much fun and completely reinforced what we had learned in autumn 1."* Arianh-Mae agreed, *"I liked working with my table to find all of the different animals. It was great fun using the nets and the key."*

Anti-Bullying Week

On Tuesday, Miss Belaid and the Playground Pals led an assembly on Anti-Bullying Week. The children were told about this year's theme of using your power to help others and show kindness and discussed how they could do this around school. The Playground Pals read out a poem (shown below) and reminded children of the activities that they can do during break, with the Playground Pals, if they feel lonely in the playground.

*From classrooms to playgrounds, online and at home
Bullying can hide, in silence, unknown
But our voice is our power, it's clear and it's true
The Anti-Bullying Week, the change starts with you.
Use your power for good, be a helper, a friend.
In games or in lessons, at lunch or at play, one small action
can brighten the day.
Sometimes we worry, "what shall I do?"
But being kind is brave, and it starts with you.
Children, teachers, families, all of us together, let's do what
we can to end bullying forever.
Answer this question as a true hero would:
How will you use your power for good?*

Year 3 Visit from St Augustine's Vicar

Last week, the Vicar from St Augustine's Church visited Year 3. The children have recently been learning about parables in RE and the messages they contain. They were challenged to write their own parable, with a message to help live a better life, which they shared with the vicar. Afterwards, she said, *"I was very impressed by the parables they presented! And also with how the children came up with suggestions for actions and attitudes from my questions. They showed great depth and insight."*



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday **18th November**, 9-9.30am - Reception Reading & Phonics Workshop followed by class activity
Wednesday **19th November**, **1.45pm** Bamburgh, **2.15pm** Chesil, **2.45pm** Pegwell - Year 4 Guitar Show
Thursday **20th November** - Individual school photos. Sibling photos from **8-9am** and **3.15-4pm**
Thursday **27th November**, **1.30pm** - Reception Tour for prospective parents - [book via the office 020 8894 4074](tel:02088944074)
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
Wednesday **17th December (afternoon, times to be confirmed)** Infant Christmas Church Assembly
Friday **19th December** - END OF TERM
Monday **5th January 2026** - **INSET DAY** - Children do not attend school
Tuesday **6th January** - Children return to school

Girls' Football Festival

Last Tuesday, girls from Year 2 and 3 attended a Richmond Borough Football Festival. They played nine games in total against other schools. Incredibly they won eight games and drew one, scoring a total of 33 goals and conceding just 2.

Mr Nuthall said, *"They played exceptionally well. Most the players have gone from not playing football before September to being the strongest team out of the 14 schools that attended the festival. It would be great if more girls from Year 2 and 3 joined our successful football club after school on Wednesdays."*



Chelsea Football Club Academy

Last Saturday, 20 children were invited to Chelsea FC Academy to meet and watch their players compete against Reading. It was a great game with Chelsea winning 4-1. Harrison Murray-Campbell and Deivid Washington, who have already made their first team debut, were just a few of the players who visited our students after the game. Axel Disai, who has played 61 games for Chelsea's first team, also spent some time with them. Our goalkeepers were both lucky enough to receive gloves from goalkeeper Max Merrick.



Mental Health Ambassador Conference

Yesterday, five Year 5 attended a Mental Health Ambassador conference at St Richard Reynolds School, Twickenham. During their training, the children learnt about the importance of mental health and strategies to support good mental health. Poppy said, *"We learnt how mental health affects people and did a range of activities such as learning about*



anxiety and what self-esteem means. We received a lanyard, badge and certificate at the end."

Reading Ambassadors' Assembly

Last Friday, our Reading Ambassadors led an engaging assembly in the Juniors focused on their love of reading. The children shared how important reading is, the benefits it can have for their education and health. Erika said *"I love reading because it can make me feel better and also it's fun"*. Miss Perrin said, *"The library is now open to the junior children throughout lunchtime and we look forward to seeing as many children as we can coming to choose a book."*



Bake Sale: Thank You!



- Over £340 raised!
- Huge thanks to everyone who baked, donated & volunteered
- Funds go towards activities for our children
- Festive events coming soon – get involved!



Last Friday's bake sale and seasonal mufti day were a fantastic success! It was wonderful to see the school community come together — from baking and donating to helping on the day. Together, we raised **over £340** to continue funding fun and enriching experiences for our children.

A special thank you to all our amazing volunteers for making it happen — your time and energy make such a difference.

We've got some exciting festive plans coming up and will share more details soon. If you'd like to lend a hand, please fill out the [PTA volunteer form](#) — we'd love to have you involved!

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