

## HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019





# **Heathfield Juniors**

#### Attendance League

After six weeks of fixtures, we have a new leader - Orangutan Class are currently winning the league with 16 points! Tasmanian Devil and Vulture are just one point behind on 15 points while African Wild Dog and Mink have 13 and 10 points respectively.

#### Girls NPL Football Tournament

On Wednesday, the girls had a fantastic day at NPL representing the school in the annual football tournament. We scored lots of goals and managed to progress to the semi-finals of The Plate competition where we unfortunately lost 1-0 to St Stephens. Well played girls!

### Harlequins Foundation 'Celebration of Rugby' Festival



Our tag rugby team entered the Harlequins' Festival on 7th November at Staines Rugby Football Club. Inspired by the Rugby World Cup, Japan 2019, the Heathfield team performed brilliantly. We won 6 games, drew 1 and lost 1. This was a fantastic achievement and in particular, we were very pleased with our two victories against East Sheen Primary School. They were the team who beat us in the Borough Tournament Semi-Final in October and highlights the rapid progress our team have made.

### Heathfield Fireworks Extravaganza

Wow, what an amazing night we had last Friday at our Heathfield Fireworks Extravaganza. It was jam packed and wonderful to see so many families and the local community coming along to enjoy the rides, food and entertainment. Thank you all so much for supporting us and creating a fabulous atmosphere. The evening was finished off with a brilliant firework display. We are delighted to announce that we raised a record amount of over £2,000 for the school.



#### Seasonal Dress Up Day

We had a great day last Friday dressing up to raise money for sports equipment and the RSPCA. The total raised across both schools was £475.37. Thank you for your support.

### Science Sparks



In Year 5 we have been lucky enough to be given the opportunity for Hampton School to carry out a series of Science Sparks workshops:

On Wednesday 6th November, Turtle Dove Class had two science teachers from Hampton School that came into Heathfield. These magnificent scientists taught us different experiments, all of them involved chemical reactions. The first experiment we did was to put a vitamin C tablet into a beaker filled up to 25ml with water. The reaction made me speechless! The liquid started to change colour, fizz and the water began rising. For our second experiment we added magnesium to hydrochloric acid. When we did this the temperature of the acid increased each time. After we recorded the first test we emptied the

beaker and did another one. This time the magnesium was longer. We did this four times. Each time there was a stronger impact to the fizz. It was amazing!

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#### **Honey Show**

This year the Twickenham and Thames Valley Beekeepers' Association celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Honey Show. Our Year 5 children, alongside other schools in Richmond, entered two competitions: one to create a bee friendly garden made from recyclable materials and the other to write a persuasive letter to encourage a local resident to plant a bee friendly garden. Un**bee**lievably we WON both competitions! For the amazing



persuasive letters the school won £50. Morgan, Juwariyah, Maryam and Piya were winners of the design a bee friendly garden and received their prizes last week.

It was on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019 that I went to the Honey Show. My nan came along. When I got there, it was probably a couple of hours after I was awarded my first place. I won it for making the best bee garden in the competition. I made a little beehive out of paper and I added some flowers. I loved it. I hope I do it next year. I won a Waterstones' gift card and a certificate with my name on it.

\*Reporter: Morgan, Turtle Dove\*

#### PTA 50/50 Club

We had the first 50/50 club draw on Monday 11th November and the winning numbers are: 1<sup>st</sup> prize – number **29**, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize – number **9** and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize – number **28**.

Please get in touch at the office if you do not yet belong and would like to buy a number. Half the money each month goes to the PTA to benefit multiple projects for the children and the other half is up for grabs! There are eleven draws left before the summer: enter at £1 a month and pay £11 now to join. The next draw will take place on 2nd December.

#### **Election of Parent Governor**

You should have received a letter by email and/or Parenthub this week letting you know we currently have a vacancy for a parent on our governing body. The letter explains the process, however if you have any questions please call the Junior Office who will be able to help you further.

#### **Big Book Boost**

Flyers were sent home this week with details of a fundraising scheme run by The Book People which can help us earn free books for our classes and library. For every book order you make on The Book People website of £10 or more, £1 can be donated to the school. If you are thinking of buying some new books (Christmas is just around the corner!) why not visit the <a href="https://www.thebookpeople.co.uk/bigbookboost">www.thebookpeople.co.uk/bigbookboost</a> and see what they have to offer?



#### Safeguarding

This week we have had our termly Safeguarding week and all staff have attended one of our training sessions.

All staff and governors at Heathfield Nursery, Infant and Junior Schools, are committed to providing a safe and secure environment for children. All staff and visitors are expected to promote a climate where children and adults feel confident about sharing any concerns they may have about the safety or well-being of a child. All visitors, including parents and carers, are asked to ensure they sign in/out of school via one of the main offices if entering the building for any reason.

If you have a Safeguarding or Child Protection concern, please contact one of the school's safeguarding team: Ms Allman, Mrs Dufosee or Mrs Child via one of the schools' offices.

School: 0208 894 3525 / 0208 894 4074.

Richmond SPA: 020 8547 5008 / 020 8770 5000 (out of hours) Hounslow SPA: 020 8583 6600 / 020 8583 2222 (out of hours)

Emergency Services: 999; Non Emergency Police 101; NSPCC 0808 8005000

#### Dates for your diary

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November (all week) – Sponsored skipping challenge

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Individual and sibling photos

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Year 4 trip to cinema to see 'Rotten Romans'

Monday **25**<sup>th</sup> **November** – Visit from author Adam Baron

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 3.30pm – PTA Mince Pies and Hot Chocolate Sale

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 8.00-9.00am – Second Hand Bike Market

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2.15pm and 7pm – Year 5 Christmas Show (tickets available soon)

Friday **20<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of term