

HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

15th March 2024

Attendance

Congratulations to the children in **Sycamore** and **Rowan** in Infants and **Ennis-Hill** and **Taylor-Brown** in Juniors for having the best attendance over the last two weeks. Next week is **100% Attendance Week** for Juniors. Be here every day to earn your silver badge!



World Book Day

The whole school enjoyed a fabulous day last Thursday 7th March in celebration of World





Book Day with both children and staff dressing up as book characters. The day started with parents and carers sharing stories with their children in class and continued with a variety of fun activities including a parade for Infants and a book themed lunch. In the evening over 250 children returned to school in their pyjamas to enjoy cosy bedtime stories in transformed classrooms.



Wooden Spoon Competition

We had some amazing entries for our wooden spoon book character competition.





The judges had a very difficult time selecting a single winner for each year group. Congratulations to the following children: Charlie (Nursery), Ezekiel (Reception), Millie Ray (Year 1), Ayah (Year 2) Maisie (Year 3), Liliana (Year 4), Ellie-Mae (Year 5) and Melanie (Year 6). The winners were each awarded a book.

Ducklings

Our Year 4 children bid a fond farewell to their ducklings yesterday. They arrived as eggs last Monday and the children have watched them hatch and flourish. James in Ruby Tui said, "I loved watching the ducklings hatch and when they waddled towards me. It was cool when Daisy did a front flip." Some ducklings have been rehomed by one of our families and the rest were returned to the farm.



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Twenty-Five Years

We are extremely fortunate at Heathfield to have such loyal and committed staff. This week we celebrated Mrs Wells who has been with our school for 25 years! She was presented with flowers, a gift card and a proud sticker in recognition of all her hard work and dedication to the school.



Lord's Indoor Cricket Tournament

On Tuesday 5th March, our girls' cricket team competed in the Mason Cup, held at Lord's Cricket Ground. Mr Watson said, "We were the first ever state school to compete in this prestigious event. The girls played brilliantly, especially since for the majority of them it was the first time they had represented the school in this sport." After winning five games they lost in the final by just 19 runs.

Following on from this success, the team were invited back to play in a further tournament this week where once again they reached the final. Bella and Keira said, "It was really fun. We were so happy to be there again."



Mosque Visit

Last week, Year 5 visited Hounslow Jamia Masjid. Maryam said, "When we went inside we had to take our shoes off, as a



sign of respect." Finley added, "The first thing I saw was a beautiful chandelier which dangled from the ceiling for all to see. I learnt that the prayer mats have to face the mihrab that shows the way east towards the Kaaba in Mecca. I saw lots of Arabic writing and patterns on the wall where a secret door was hidden leading up to the minbar. I felt honoured to actually be in a mosque as I probably won't be able to go to one again. Several children commented on the peaceful environment with Muhammad saying, "I felt calm because there wasn't any noise or disturbance.'

Year 3 Geography Fieldwork

This week Year 3 conducted their first geography fieldwork trip. They split into two groups, one visiting Whitton High Street and the other going to Crane Park. Mehreen, Fariha and Haajra very much enjoyed the experience:

"We collected data by making a tally chart. We counted different types of rubbish—bottles, food containers and other rubbish. There were lots of containers in Crane Park but more rubbish in Whitton High Street, like cigarettes, chip bags and vapes."



Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th March - Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Day - children can dress up as an ancient Egyptian Wednesday 20th March, 9am - Reception parents: Reading & phonics activity - Spring basket making Friday 22nd March - Monday 25th March - Year 6 PGL School Journey, Osmington Bay Monday 25th March - Year 5 Bikeability Training - for Mardini Class and half of Redfern Class Tuesday 26th March, 9am - Year 2 parents: Reading & phonics activity - nest making Wednesday 27th March, 9am - Year 1 parents: Reading & phonics activity - frog making Wednesday 27th March, 3.45pm - Year 5 Isle of Wight meeting for Parents & Carers Thursday 28th March, 11am & 2.40pm - Nursery parents: Reading & phonics activity - Spring singing Thursday 28th March - Last day of the Spring Term

Monday **15th April -** Start of the Summer Term

Thursday **18th April** - Year 3 swimming lessons start

Sunday 21st April, 11.30am - St George's Day Parade - more information to follow

Saturday 22nd June - Summer Fair - SAVE THE DATE