



HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

28th November 2025

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Attendance

Congratulations to the children in **Maple**, **Rowan** and **Sycamore** in Infants and **Paradis** and **Pokai Bay** in Juniors for having the best attendance over the last two weeks.



Pupil Parliament

Earlier this month, our two Year 6 Pupil Parliamentarians, Tyra and Louie, spent the day in Twickenham. Louie explains, "We went to York House and performed our speeches throughout the day. The topic was whether children under 14 should have phones. Most people thought they should because although they can be



Mayor of Richmond
Penny Frost

distracting there are benefits such as calling parents if you are in danger. After lunch we met the Mayor and she chose the two best speeches. It was a really good day and we all got a pin badge at the end."

Children in Need

"Two Fridays ago we raised money for Children in Need, a charity that helps children all around the UK who are struggling." Olivia, Year 5

"In the Infants, we dressed in yellow or spots and dots. Some children even had teddy ears like Pudsey." Akansh and Vivian, Year 1

"In the Juniors we brought in a teddy that stayed on our tables watching us do our work and encouraging us to do more." Aiza and Samuel, Year 5

"Altogether we raised £419 because we care about children who are in need. Well done Heathfield!" Jess, Year 5



As reported by Pupil Voice

Infant Reading & Phonics Workshops

This term, parents and carers from Reception to Year 2 have attended Reading and Phonics Workshops followed by an activity in class. In Reception parents and carers learnt how their children are taught reading through phonics while in Year 1 the focus was on fluency and playing games with sounds. In Year 2, the five strands of comprehension were introduced. All workshops emphasised the importance and enormous benefits of reading with your child every day. Nova from Elm said, "When my mummy came in, we went to the book corner and read a book. I like reading books with her."



Road Safety

Our Junior children recently attended an assembly all about road safety. They were reminded about the rules for safely crossing roads, being responsible passengers and wearing seatbelts and using helmets and cycle lanes when riding bicycles. They also learnt about the importance of being visible when out and about in the dark.

Following the assembly, children were able to buy reflective zip clips to attach to coats and bags to help them be seen. Tam said, "I liked the new designs and chose a star and lightning bolt because they are nice and bright. My brother also got a red zip clip and a star".



Year 6 Railway Talk

As part of Year 6's focus on being safe as they get ready for secondary school, Wessex Rail and the British Transport Police visited them to talk about rail safety. Scarlett said, "We learnt that to stay safe we should stay behind the yellow line at stations and to never go on the track because it's always live and full of electricity." Liam added, "We also learnt it takes the length of 20 football pitches for a train to stop!"



Nursery Independence

This week in Nursery, as the weather has become colder, the children have been developing their independence skills by putting on their own hats, scarfs and gloves. To support this, parents and carers are asked to encourage their children to 'have a go' at home. We would also ask that you label everything as we have lots of lost property.



Year 6 Synagogue Visit

Last week, Year 6 travelled to Richmond to visit the synagogue. Natasha said, "We saw all the different parts of the synagogue including the Torah which was written in Hebrew. A volunteer called Hirsh showed us around and told us all about Judaism and their festivals. We also got to taste the challah bread and had grape juice (instead of wine). The bread was really delicious. It was nice to visit to understand more about someone else's religion." Hirsh later commented, "It was a pleasure to host your children as they clearly already had some knowledge and were keen to obtain more. Some of their questions would be suitable topics for a long essay and fitted Year 10 students rather than Year 6!"



Year 4 Guitar Open Session

Year 4 have been learning the guitar this term with Richmond Music Trust's Wider Opportunities programme. Last week, their eighth and final lesson was open to parents and carers to attend, to show them everything the children had learnt. Teddy said, "Learning guitars has been interesting. Guitars are really cool and I am looking forward to future lessons." If your child would like to continue in small group lessons, click on [this link](#) for more information and to book. The closing date is 5th December.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st December - Year 1 and Year 2 Movie night

Thursday 4th December - PTA Infant Christmas Shopping Event (please return order form today)

Thursday 4th December - Nursery and Reception Movie Night

Friday 5th December - PTA Junior Christmas Shopping Event (please return order form today)

Monday 8th December, 2pm - Boogie Woogie Nativity (performance for adults with younger children)

Tuesday 9th December, 9.15am and 2pm - Boogie Woogie Nativity (performance for adults only)

Wednesday 10th December, 9.15am - Boogie Woogie Nativity (performance for adults with younger children)

Wednesday 10th December, 3-4.30pm - PTA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 11th December, 10am - Junior Rocksteady Concert

Friday 12th December, 8.45, 11am and 3pm - Winter Crafts in Nursery (see separate letter)

Friday 12th December, 10.30am - Infant Rocksteady Concert

Tuesday 16th December - Christmas lunch - **wear a Christmas jumper with school uniform**

Wednesday 17th December, 1.30pm (Years 1 & 2), 2.15pm (Reception) Christmas Church Assembly

Friday 19th December - Christmas parties - **wear a Christmas jumper with school uniform**

Friday 19th December - Last day of term

PTA In Brief



The PTA have been busy this week preparing for the Christmas Shopping Events taking place next week as well as the Christmas Fayre which will take place on Wednesday 10th December. If you are able to help at all, they would love to hear from you. Please scan the QR code to register.

Volunteer here!



The Cricketer's Top 50

Last Friday it was announced that Heathfield have been included in [The Cricketer's Top 50 Schools Guide 2026](#) for the 5th consecutive year. Mr Watson said, "This is quite a remarkable achievement. We are one of only two state primary schools, in the whole of the country, to be included in this category. This is testament to our incredible cricket provision. In addition to this, we have had three girls selected for Surrey CCC's Emerging Talent Pathway programme. Again, an amazing achievement!"



Our girls' cricket club, showing their dedication to the sport, training before school this week at zero degrees Celsius!

Tag Rugby

Last Wednesday, our tag rugby team played against St Edmund's at home in the Richmond Borough Tag Rugby League and won 6-4. This follows on from two wins earlier this month against Trafalgar (7-3) and Buckingham (9-1). We have one League game remaining but we have already qualified for the last 16.

Against St Edmund's we also fielded two other teams to play against their B team. Eighteen children out of the 30 involved represented the school for the first time in a competitive tag rugby match.



Girls' Football Festival



We are delighted that we have been chosen by England Football to be Richmond's Hub of Girls' Football in Schools for the third consecutive year. To celebrate this achievement, last Monday, we hosted a Girls' Football Festival at Heathfield in partnership with Richmond Borough and Fulham FC.

Fourteen girls from Heathfield, along with players from other schools, participated in the event.

Nevaeh and Lavae said, "In the morning we did a carousel of activities to develop our skills, like passing the ball between cones. In the afternoon we played lots of matches. We would describe it as fun, exciting and cold!" Mr Nuthall added, "We fielded two teams so had lots of Year 4 girls representing the school for the first time. Heathfield came second overall!"

Trip to Stamford Bridge Stadium

Last Thursday, after school, 22 girls visited Stamford Bridge to watch Chelsea Women v Barcelona Women in the UEFA Champions League. Mr Nuthall said, "We hope this trip inspired the girls, all of whom were invited based on their consistent attendance at training sessions. We also hope this encourages children who are interested in future opportunities to join our weekly football sessions." Charlotte said, "The trip was fantastic because I got to go to the stadium with all my friends."

