



HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

6th June 2025

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Attendance

100%

Well done to the following classes for having the best attendance over the last two weeks in school - Magnolia and Elm in Infants and Temple Grandin, Chama and Valentine in Juniors.

Barnes Literary Festival

In the week before half term, children from Years 1, 2, 5 and 6 had a fantastic time attending events at the Barnes Literary Festival which was held at the Twickenham Rugby Stadium.

Mrs Chaudry said, "Year 1 had a truly wonderful dinosaur inspired show where they met Simon Mole and Gecko who read poems and sang songs. The children were involved in creating a 'new' kind of dinosaur inspired by every day objects with their new dinosaur being the 'cerealtaur'."



A small group of children in Year 2, who have had 100% attendance this year, met author Tom Percival at the festival. He read his latest book, *Bea's Bad Day* and taught the children how to draw faces expressing different emotions.



Year 5's author was Sufiya Ahmed. Angela, Navya and Bella explain, "It was really good, Sufiya Ahmed spoke to us about how she was inspired by history to write her stories. We completed a worksheet providing an alternative to where the time travellers would travel. I bought a book for Sufiya Ahmed to sign. Some people went on stage and acted as suffragettes and spies—which is the theme from one of her books. We walked there which was fun but it was quite tiring coming back!"

Finally, Year 6 had a fantastic time listening to the author Patrice Lawrence talk about her life and her journey to becoming a successful published writer. Mr Shaw said, "Her stories are full of heart, wild imagination and mystery - and we love her books."



David Walliams Author Conference

Meanwhile, children in Years 3 and 4 were part of a group of 50,000 children countrywide participating in a fantastic David Walliams author conference.



They participated by asking questions, listening to how he became a children's author and engaging with some of his most popular stories. Samuel said, "He told us about his life with his older sister and how he uses his imagination to write his books. He also spoke to us about his most recent book, *The World's Worst Superheroes*."

Nourish Food Taster Session

Next **Friday 13th June**, NOURISH, our school meal provider, is offering a taster session for parents, carers and children. It will take place in the front playground, near the entrance to the library, from **2.45-3.45pm**. This is an opportunity to sample a selection of food from their new menu. For children who do not currently have school meals, it is a chance to try without any pressure. School lunches are free, nutritious and save parents and carers both money and time in the morning. NOURISH staff will also be happy to speak with parents and carers and answer any questions you may have.



Year 4 trip to the Gurdwara

On Wednesday, two Year 4 classes, Marconi and Valentine, visited the Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha in Hounslow to learn more about Sikhism. Fariha explained, *"We walked for a bit and then took the 111 bus. We saw the prayer room and a Guru who was reading their holy book, the Guru Granth Sahib. We saw different pictures of Sikhs in Britain, such as those in the army. Then we went to the Langar Hall to eat. There was some daal and rice pudding. It was delicious! I really enjoyed the trip."* The other two Year 4 classes will visit later this month.



Orange Tree Theatre

On Tuesday, our Year 6 children travelled to the Orange Tree Theatre in Richmond to see an immersive and interactive version of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar. Asma said, *"It was really good. Four actors took on all the roles. Everyone enjoyed it. It was a fun experience, we sat on all four sides of the stage and the lighting was very clever."*



Pupil Voice

On the Tuesday before half term, some of our Pupil Voice representatives returned to school at 7pm to make a presentation to the school governors at their Full Governing Body Meeting. The children explained what the Pupil Voice team do and how they were chosen. They also told the governors about their charity work, attendance research and the assembly they will be performing in June. Mrs Homer said, *"They presented with such clarity and confidence. It was wonderful to see."* Mrs Proctor-Lane was very proud of all the children.



Dates for your Diary

Friday **13th June** - Bring a Bottle Mufti Day for the Summer Fair

Monday **16th June** - Year 3 trip to Kew Gardens

Tuesday **17th June, 5-6pm** - Nursery Open Session

Thursday **19th June, morning** - Infant Sports Day and Picnic

Friday **20th June** - Jolly Jar Mufti Day for the Summer Fair

Friday **20th June, 3-5.30pm** — **SUMMER FAIR** — **SAVE THE DATE**

Friday **4th July, morning** - Junior Sports Day and Picnic

Friday **11th July, 10am** - Infant Rock Steady Concert

Monday **14th July, 9am** - Year 2 Leavers Celebration for Parents and Carers

Tuesday **15th July, 9am** - Year 2 Leavers Celebration for Parents and Carers

Tuesday **15th July, 7pm** - Year 6 Production - [further information and tickets will be available soon](#)

Wednesday **16th July, 7pm** - Year 6 Production - [further information and tickets will be available soon](#)

Thursday **17th July, 10am** - Junior Rock Steady Concert

Thursday **17th July** - Last day of term for Nursery

Friday **18th July, 12-1.30pm** - Nursery Summer Picnic

Friday **18th July** - Last day of term for children in Reception to Year 6

Girls' Football Festival Year 3/4 Football

Just before half term, eight children from Years 3 and 4 represented Heathfield in a Year 4 non-competitive football festival. They played against six other schools in 15 minute games. Mr Nuthall said, *"Despite the non-competitive nature of the event, they won the majority of their matches and stood out for their enthusiasm, togetherness and work rate. Three of the girls represented the school for the first time, three were Year 3 pupils gaining experience against older children and our two Year 4 borough winning defenders had the opportunity to play in new positions and scored their first goals for the school. It was a great morning involving over 60 girls from across the borough."*



School Games Mark

The School Games Mark is a government-led award scheme. It celebrates schools' commitment to developing competitive sport within their school and community. It allows schools to assess their PE provision and create an action plan for improvement. We are delighted to let you know we have been awarded the Gold Award this year.



Richmond Borough Sports Competition

On Wednesday our athletics team took part in the Richmond Borough Sports Competition at St Mary's University.



Nathan summarised the day, *"We took part in several races and events including the 600m, the 75m, the team relay, standing long jump and vortex (which you throw). It took place at the Mo Farah Track at St Mary's University. There were lots of other schools there. It was very enjoyable. We won lots of our races including the team relay."*

Upcoming Sports Day

Both our Sports Days will be held in the morning, followed by a picnic on the field. Information about the Infant Sports Day was sent out yesterday. Information about the Junior Sports Day will follow next week.

Infant Sports Day - Thursday 19th June
Junior Sports Day - Friday 4th July



Visit from our MP, Munira Wilson

Yesterday, our MP, Munira Wilson came to Heathfield to see first hand the wonderful cricket provision we have. She spoke to some of our children and discussed with Mr Watson and Mr Colenso the benefits of PE on mental health, personal development and physical wellbeing. Aarna said, *"She's a fan of cricket. She said if she had had her PE clothes with her, she'd have played cricket with us. Then she had to rush off to Parliament."*

