

# HEATHFIELD SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP

# 7th July 2023

# Attendance

Congratulations to Oak, Sycamore and Birch in Infants and Emin, Apostle and Nimbus in the Junior School for having the best attendance over the last three weeks.



## <u>Summer Fair</u>

Thank you to our amazing PTA for putting on such a wonderful Summer Fair. The weather was kind and children and adults alike were able to enjoy a whole range of activities from the bouncy slide to face painting, visiting the police vehicle and fire engine, watching our

choir, dancers and gymnasts perform, trying their luck on the tombola and other games stalls as well as enjoying the BBQ, slushies and much more! The total raised from the fair currently stands at **£2614.** 



Lively performances from our choir and gymnasts

# Year 2 visit to Twickenham Stadium

On Monday 19th June Year 2 had an exciting visit to Twickenham Stadium where they met Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet, authors of *Supertato* and Onjali Q Raúf, author of *Lion above the Door*. Aria said "It



*Door*. Aria said "It was fun getting the bus there and we got to watch the authors read their book and show us how to draw Supertato."



## **Children's Music Festival**

On Saturday 17th June, some of choir sang in St Augustine's Music Festival, part of their 65 Year Celebrations. Isla reports, "*It was really fun. Nelson and Bishop Perrin were also there with us. We each sang four* 



songs on our own and then we sang 'Sing' altogether. It sounded amazing when we all sang together."

# Singing for the Community

On Monday, some of our singers visited Homelink to entertain their guests. Neon said, "*We sang songs* 

*like 'Blackbird' and 'Supercalifragilistic'. It was really good and we also got a drink and biscuit afterwards."* Next week our singers will venture out again, this time visiting White Farm Lodge to sing for their residents.

#### Hounslow Urban Farm Visit Nursery and Year 1

This week Nursery and Year 1 had a lovely visit from Hounslow Urban Farm. They brought a wide range of animals with them for the children including cockroaches, a scorpion, a tarantula, a white tree frog, a plated lizard, a gecko, a tortoise, snakes, a rabbit and a mouse!

The children were able to handle some of the animals and they asked lots of questions. Herman the Tortoise was very popular, "He is very heavy" said Harley. Zakariya was fond of the snake, "I like the snake because I put it round my neck" while Quinn preferred "the fancy mouse" because it "was little and cute."

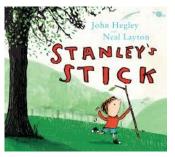


#### **Boundless Dance Workshop for Reception**

Recently, our Reception children took part in an exciting dance workshop led by Lee from Boundless Dance. Using the book *Stanley's* 



*Stick* by John Hegley as inspiration, they turned fabric into frogs, hats and rockets. They imagined their fingers were paintbrushes and created huge artworks. They even



visualised walking through a stream and tiptoeing on the rocks. The children were very enthusiastic about the workshop, *"We needed lots of space to dance"* said Ayiah. *"I was so sweaty after dancing"* recalled Rio while Ryleigh *"would do it everyday!"* 

Thank you to the PTA for funding this event.

#### Sports Days

Last week our Junior children took part in their Sports Day and yesterday it was the turn of the Infants. There was a great turnout of parents and carers at both events to cheer the children on and everyone enjoyed the family picnic which took place at lunchtime on each day. Infants took part in running races, hurdles, bean bag shot put and egg



and egg and spoon races and were incredibly



enthusiastic throughout.

In Juniors the points were awarded to the different houses for each event. In the morning session, with Year 3 and 4, **Green House** were victorious while in the afternoon it was Yellow House for Years 5 and 6.

Well done to all children across both schools for taking part with such enthusiasm and sporting spirit.

#### Hindu Visitor for Year 3

Year 3 had the opportunity to learn more about Hinduism during a recent visit. Ruby reports, *"It was really good. We* learnt a lot about Hinduism, for example when a woman gets married, she doesn't wear a wed-

ding ring but a necklace. We learnt about their different gods such as Vishnu and Shiva. At the end we played drums and percussion to Hare Krishna."



#### **Gurdwara Visit for Year 4** As part of their topic learning about the Sikh religion, Year 4 recently went to visit Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha. Mrs Peirson-Hagger explains. "We all removed our" shoes and covered our heads as a sign of respect, then we went to the visitors centre to learn about the history of the Sikh faith, including the 10 Gurus, the five ks and more about the Sikh way of life. After that, we went to visit the main praver room. We saw the Sikh holy book (the Guru Granth Sahib) under the

golden canopy. Finally, we went to

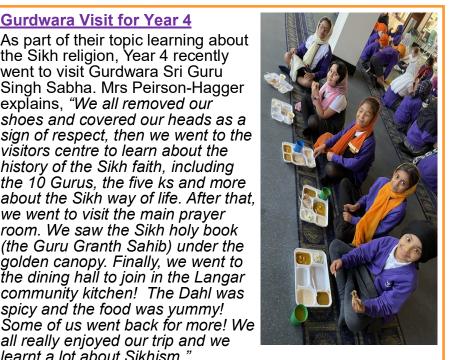
the dining hall to join in the Langar

community kitchen! The Dahl was

spicy and the food was yummy!

all really enjoyed our trip and we

learnt a lot about Sikhism.'



#### Visit from Author Jeanne Willis

Jeanne Willis visited our school and met with Years 4 and 5 recently. She spoke about her book Jacko. Jeremiah explains, "She came with her neighbour who was the inspiration for her book. When he was



a boy he rescued a jackdaw he named Jacko. He later went on to become headkeeper at London Zoo. It was interesting to hear a true life story. Afterwards she signed copies of her book.'

### **Football News**

Footballers across the junior school have been active over the last three weeks playing Twickenham School and Deer Park School in a series of matches, with several children representing the school for the very first time.

## **Poetry Competition**

This year children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in the CLPE (Centre for Literacy in Primary Education) National Poetry competition where they had to learn and recite a poem. We are delighted to

announce that our Reception trio did exceptionally well and were runners up in their category. Our Year 2 book club will attend the awards ceremony in July.



Year 3 Runners Up

Congratulations to our Year 3 football team who were runners up in the recent Battle of the Borough tournament. Some excellent football was played.



### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 11th July, 2-7pm - Parents' Evening for Year 6 Thursday 13th July, 9.05am and 3.00pm - Meeting for Year 2 parents - Meet the Year 3 Team Thursday 13th July, 5.30pm - Year 6 Leavers' Disco Friday 14th July, 10am - Infant Rocksteady Concert Monday 17th July, 9am - Hawthorne and Sycamore Leavers Assembly Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th July, 7pm - Year 6 Production of Lion King Jr Tuesday 18th July, 9am - Birch and Chestnut Leavers Assembly Thursday 20th July, 10am - Junior Rocksteady Concert Friday 21st July, 12pm - Nursery Picnic Friday 21st July - End of term