

Heathfield Junior School Curriculum Bulletin

Grandin Class – Willow

Summer 2025

We hope you all had a restful holiday period and enjoyed the lovely weather! We begin another busy school term, which is packed with exciting new learning opportunities across the school. We are looking forward to working with you and your children so below is a summary of our curriculum for the Summer term. **Please note** that if your child is attending their mainstream class for subjects, you will find their year group curriculum bulletin on our school website, as the topics being studied may be different.

The Heathfield Way

‘The Heathfield Way’ underpins all that we do in school. We expect all members of the Heathfield community to:

- Learn and let others learn
- Respect all people and property
- Work hard and try their very best

When children follow, ‘The Heathfield Way’ they will be awarded house points, which are recorded in their reading diary.

English

This term in English we will be studying a range of different books. In the first term, we will be studying a longer chapter text using *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl as our inspiration- a well-known classic which we are excited to introduce. We will finish the Summer term by reading a range of poetry from differing authors and creating our own unique poems building on our knowledge in the Spring term.

Maths

In Summer 1 within Maths we will be learning about *Measure* (mass and capacity) and *Money*. We will then move on to work on *Time*, another practical area of maths where the more children discuss telling the time at home, the more confident they will be in class. The final topics in Summer 2 will be *Shape* (2D and 3D) and *Statistics*.

Please continue to work with your child on learning their times tables. This is extremely important as it supports their learning in a range of mathematical areas. In order to help your children learn their times tables, the school is a member of ‘Times Table Rock Stars’. This is an online website where your children can practise their times tables through fun and interactive games. Your child’s login details are located at the front of the reading journal. We will be using this website in school but also ask that children login and practise at home as well. In the Spring term there will be a year group competition set on ‘Time Tables Rock Stars’ as part of homework.



Reading Diary:

Reading and books are a huge part of our life at Heathfield. Therefore, all children are expected to read aloud to **an adult** at home **every** day for 20 minutes. After they have read, the children need to record the title of the book and comment about what they have read in their reading diary. An adult from home should then sign next to the comment. Your child’s teacher will then read your child’s comment and sign the reading diary too.

We understand that sometimes children find it hard to write a comment about what they have read so here are some ideas about what they might write about:

- What has happened in the book so far?
- Who is their favourite character and why?
- Who is their least favourite character and why?
- What they predict is going to happen next?

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Science

Year 4/5- We will be continuing our learning about space and the solar system in our topic **Out of this World**. We will then move on to the **Material World (Properties and Changes of Materials)** learning about materials we use every day and how they can change.

Year 3 – Our first topic in the Summer term will be '*How does my garden grow.*' This engaging topic about plants is always a big hit with children who are interested in nature and growing things. In summer 2 we will be learning about mirrors and lights in the topic, '*Mirror, mirror.*'

Therapies

Occupational Therapy – OT will remain on a Tuesday and will include gross and fine motor sessions designed to improve our core strength, balance, coordination and improve our handwriting. We will also continue to develop our real life skills with creative and self-care style activities. Sessions will also be built in to manage and support our sensory needs. I am very sad to say our newest therapist Laura Quin is not staying with us for the Summer term however a temporary replacement has been secured for Summer 1.

Speech and Language – SAL will remain on a Wednesday and will include groups involving some aspects of zones of regulation including managing our feelings and emotions as well as self-advocacy groups due to begin in Summer 1. We will continue to work on our skills to engage our peers in conversation through play and real life modelling. Clare Cruikshank remains our therapist continuing with us during Summer term.

Homework

Homework is very important within school to help cement and embed our learning throughout the week and something we are pleased to say has been very successful this year so far. Keep it up!

Homework will continue to be sent out weekly. It will be set on a Monday to be returned the following Monday. Your child will have a green maths homework book and a red homework book. The topic for the red homework book will change throughout the term and will relate to what we have been learning that week.

Spelling homework will be set every Friday and should be returned on the following Friday.

School Uniform Reminder

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform to school. This includes wearing suitable shoes. Your child should also have full PE kit in school every day. This includes black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms, their house T-shirt and trainers.

Important dates

- **Please see your child's year group bulletin for key dates for each individual year group.**

How to contact us

We are always happy to discuss any queries or concerns you may have.

If you need to make a general enquiry please contact the school office via telephone 020 8894 3525 or email: willow@heathfield-inf.richmond.sch.uk

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