



Heatherside Junior School Newsletter

1st July 2022

Dear Parents

Happy July! Just three weeks to go and it promises to be busy and so I'm going to keep my introduction brief and just say that we hope the children have a great end of term!

Mrs Dunn

Green Fingers!

The children have had a busy day in our new allotment today, planting up the new raised beds. Mrs Mann (and helpers) have worked their socks off to get this off the ground (pardon the pun) and Mrs Ward has led the gardening initiative in school. If you have some time to get involved (or know a green fingered family member) please complete this short [Form](#) to indicate how you would be able to get involved or email Heatherside.GardenCommunity@gmail.com



Classes for September

We have spent many hours on the Year 4 to 5 and Year 5 to 6 class splits; it has been very hard to get the balance of abilities/gender/needs etc but we have ensured that every child has at least one person from the names you gave us. Your understanding in this is appreciated.

The children will be told their new classes on Wednesday next week, although the 'Meet the Teacher' session is not until Thursday 14th as that was the first clear day in the diary! Current years 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to get together to meet their new classmates briefly on the 6th.

Staffing News

This July, we will be saying goodbye to both Mrs Carter and Mrs Manning, two of our wonderful LSAs. They have both provided fantastic 1:1 support to children and Mrs Carter has been part of our team for many years, including as a parent when her own children came here! We wish them both every happiness in the future and are rather envious of their holiday plans!

We are pleased to be welcoming Miss Smith and Mrs Bardy to our Learning Support Team We are also pleased to share the happy news that Miss Plater will be getting married this summer and will return as Mrs Hambleton! Mrs Laws-Bates will be joining our teaching staff too, working as part of our Year 4 Team. We do have two vacancies (one part-time teacher/one LSA)..please click [here!](#)

3H Mrs Ward	4H Mrs Young/Mr Demblon	5H Mrs Husband	6H Mr Wade
3J Mrs Brown	4J Mrs Laws-Bates	5J Mrs Hambleton	6J Mrs McEvoy
3S Mr Wedgwood	4S Mrs Sagggers/Mrs Davis	5S Miss Cain	6S Miss Handley/Mrs Murphy -Tuesdays
			6P Mrs Macfarlane

Plans for September...

- All years start/finish at same time; no staggered starts
- Registers for all years will be taken at 8.45 a.m
Finish time will be 3.05pm.
- Doors will open at 8.40am and children will come straight in...'kiss and drop' as now!
- All children will be given a new drawstring bag (will be sent home) and a pencil case in school...no need for anything from Smiggle!!!
- Clubs flyers for September will be available at 4pm on 11th July on our website [here](#)
- We will still have a PE Day...details to follow!

Special Mufti Day – Friday 15th July

In partnership with Court Moor and Heatherside Infants, we are supporting a special local fundraising event which is being undertaken by one of our former pupils, Becca Heritage. As some of you may know, Becca caught meningitis in her first year at Uni and, as a result of infection, had four amputation operations. Her rehabilitation has been inspirational and she is back studying, participating in sport (thanks to her 'blades') and now preparing for her skydive at the end of July for [Meningitis Now](#). Children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform **in return for a donation of £1** (or more!) I know that there have been many requests for your support recently but, as someone who was part of our school, we would love to do our bit for Becca's cause; what she has been through really could happen to anyone.