



Heatherside Junior School Newsletter

14th July 2022

Dear Parents

Phew, what a warm way to end the year! As it is forecast to be extremely hot next week, please can you make sure that your child has a hat, water bottle and suncream applied. There is no PE next week and we will obviously minimise any time in the sun; we also plan to put up some of the gazebos to create some extra outdoor shade.

It has certainly been quite a year hasn't it? Together we have navigated high cases of Covid and blended learning in Autumn and Spring and then celebrated the Jubilee and the return of family events such as Sports Day and the Summer Fair this term. I know the last few weeks have been especially busy but I am so delighted that we have been able to have these wider opportunities back as part of school life; they are such an important part of children's educational experiences. It has been really lovely to be able to invite you in and along too; the sense of community we have at Heatherside continues to shine through. I would like to thank you, my staff team and our Governors for all the support, dedication and determination shown and shared through another topsy-turvy year. A huge thank you to the children too; they are the reason we are all here and drive our continued commitment to achieve the very best we can.

Wishing you all a wonderful Summer break, here's to next year and the new challenges and adventures it will bring!

Mrs Dunn



Well done to our Year 6s on their entertaining production of Time Lord...we all enjoyed their adventure back in history!

Staffing News

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Allchurch has been appointed as our new Pastoral Support Worker; I know she will be a great support to both children and families. More details about her role to follow in September.

We also have a [vacancy](#) for an Office Receptionist as a new, one year post for September.

SATs Results

Although these are not being formally published this year, our Years 6s did really well and our results are much higher than the National figures. We will be sharing the headlines on our website as soon as the ongoing technical issues (not at our end!) have been resolved. Further developing children's skills as writers will form part of our School Improvement Plan next year as writing has been most impacted by the time out of school for all year groups.

A few other bits!

- Please can all Library Books be returned to school by Monday.
- Join the [Summer Reading Challenge](#) at Fleet Library!
- Thank you so much for supporting the Fair...we raised over £11,000 for both schools which is amazing! It was a great event, thank you to the fantastic HSA team!
- School will finish at 3pm next Thursday (Year 6 will be on the playground earlier for T-shirt signing so gates won't open until 2.55pm) It's also Mrs Bartley's last day after 33 years!
- Spaces still available on some September clubs, including Yoga! Click [here](#) for details.

Parent/grandparent Helpers in school from September

We'd love parents to be back in helping with cooking, reading etc next school year. If you would like to do this, information on our current safeguarding procedures/application process is on our [website](#) or a pack is available from the office. Volunteers will need to complete a form and supply two references as well as having a clear DBS. If you have already completed this process at Heatherside Infants, you do not need to re-apply as this information will be passed on once we have your consent for this in September.

FRIDAY 15th (tomorrow!) is our Mufti Day for Meningitis Now...donations of £1 would be gratefully received.

There's also a HSA Ice Lolly Sale after school!