



Heatherside Junior School Newsletter



26th September 2024

Next Friday (4th Oct) is an INSET Day at Heatherside Juniors and Infants

Dear Parents

It was really lovely to welcome so many family members along to our 'Bring a Board Game' sessions and to see all the children enjoy joining in. Although we know that many children like to spend time on a screen, playing board games is so good for developing their social and communication skills... not to mention being great fun. I also have some good ideas for different Christmas games that I can play this year too!

Best regards

Mrs Dunn

Forest School Fun!



Our Year 3 and Year 5 groups are really enjoying their Forest School sessions. It is great to see them working as a team; learning new skills and developing their confidence too. The mud kitchen is proving very popular!

We are sad to announce that Sheldon, our school tortoise, has been advised by the vet to retire from her role here. She will continue to be well looked after by Mrs Allchurch at home. Sheldon is doing well after a recent illness but we feel it is best for her to enjoy lazy days at home. We will all miss her being here, especially the children but her welfare has to come first.

Clothes Harvest – Wednesday 2nd October

Please bring in your bags of **clean, good quality** clothes next Wednesday morning and leave them at our 'Donation Station' on the front playground. Please place in a tied-up carrier bag, binbag or other charity bag that may have come through your door. All funds raised from our donations will go to Phyllis Tuckwell. Thank you in advance for your support.



Well done to all those children who took part in our Summer Wellbeing Challenge; we hope that you enjoyed lots of the ideas and activities too. We are delighted that 82 children managed to complete all 26 challenges and they will be awarded a special Wellbeing Badge. This can be sewn onto their school jumper/sweatshirt if they would like to. We do have some smaller, pin badges as well if the children would prefer. However, the most important thing is that we hope they gained a lot from spending the time thinking about their own wellbeing and that of others. Our next challenge is going to focus on our community and so please let us know if you have any links with local projects or initiatives that the children could get involved with.

HOUSE AND VICE CAPTAINS

On Wednesday 61 of our Year 6 children put themselves forward for election and we were so proud of them all. However, this year's House and Vice Captains are...

Kestrel Captains	Eagle Captains	Osprey Captains	Falcon Captains
Florence	Kiana	Megan	Emeli
Isaiah	Finlay	George	Samuel
Vice Captains	Vice Captains	Vice Captains	Vice Captains
Sophie	Marnie	Flo	Rosie
James	Alfie	Oscar	Henry

Congratulations to our Year 5 and Year 6 Boys' Football Teams who took part in an inter-school tournament on the 11th September at Salesian College. Both teams did really well against 16 other schools and we enjoyed hearing all about their matches in assembly last week. They showed great teamwork and we are sure they are going to have a successful season ahead!

