

# Heacham Infant and NurserySchool

## Newsletter





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We will see you back at school on Tuesday 18th April 2023

The last day of school is Friday 31st

March

## Welcome Message

**Dear Families** 

We have enjoyed a short but action-packed term! Children continue to embrace our knowledge-rich curriculum. Their new learning has included 'Air, Land and Sea' considering how we travel and how people help us, Taking care of the Earth – thinking about the impact of pollution and the natural resources the Earth provides and the Roman Empire, exploring how they invaded Britain and built an Empire.

There have been many events including Comic Relief, Thinking Day, King's Lynn Museum visit and the dance festival at the Corn Exchange.

It has also been wonderful to welcome you into school for various events this term including our reading café on World Book Day, British Sign Language Day and our book fair. We hope to hold more events in the summer term.

Finally, we hope you have a wonderful Easter and a very relaxing break!

Best Wishes

Emma Hunt

### The Nest and Sparrows

This half term we've been thinking about going on journeys to interesting places. We've thought about how we'd travel and different types of transport. We love a good occasion here in nursery, so we were excited to celebrate World Book Day and Mother's Day too!







#### Goldfinches

This half term our topic has been Air, Land and Sea. We've learnt about different methods of transport including hang gliding, steam trains and the inventors of the first hot air balloon! We have made and raced boats in the stream and made 'bunnycopters' which flew by rotating around. In Maths we've been understanding number bonds to 10 and are getting good at adding and subtracting. We learnt the story of The 3 Billy Goats Gruff and had fun acting it out. We enjoyed a dance workshop with Helen based on the theme '999 Rescue' and enjoyed dressing up to celebrate world book day.







#### Robins

This half term Robins have really enjoyed learning about Architecture in Art and DT. We have been looking at architectural features such as pillars, sculptures and stained glass windows. We even made our own gargoyles out of clay! In Science we have been thinking about pollution and how we look after the earth. We learnt about the 3 different types of pollution: air, land and water.



#### Owls

Owls have had another fantastic half term, with lots of amazing learning! In English the children have been learning how to write a set of instructions on how to look after a pet dragon! In maths we have been looking at statistics and collecting data, we have made tally charts and pictograms, we have also been doing this in computing too. In Science we have been learning about materials and their properties. We have had great fun exploring different materials and their suitability. Owls particularly liked it when they found out what happened to chocolate if they held it in their hand! In Art we have been learning about still life, we have created some fantastic pieces of art. In History we have been learning all about the Romans. We had a fantastic trip to Kings Lynn Museum where we got to learn all about the life of a Roman and meet a Roman soldier too, it was great fun!

The children continue to work extremely hard and are making great progress, well done! Wishing you a restful Easter and we look forward to welcoming you back after the holidays.



#### Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

You might be eligible for free school meals / Early Years Pupil Premium Funding.

The School receives funding for each child who comes under Pupil Premium (including free school meals), so it is worth applying! Pupil Premium can cover Nursery sessions too!

You can apply online: https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enqueries/Citizen/Freeschoolmeals.aspx or e-mail the office for an application form.





## Events and Activities



#### After school clubs

Spaces are limited so please contact the School Office quickly if your child would like a place. Clubs begin on the week commencing Monday 24th April:

Tuesday—SSP Dance Festival with Miss Johnson 3.10 –3.50pm

Starting Wednesday 19th April and Finishing Wednesday 10th May Mad Science Club with Dr Dee Enay 3:15-4:15pm. Chargeable Club of £28.Bookable via their website. See Post on Dojo for booking details

Thursday—Gardening Club with Miss Minns 3.10-3.450pm

#### **Key Dates**

Swimming Starts for Yr2 Wednesday 19th April
St George's Day Lunch -24th April
Yr 2 SATs Meeting - 25th April 2.45pm
King's Coronation - Bank Holiday 8th May
May Bank Holiday 29th May (Start of Half Term)
Back To School 5th June
SSP Dance Festival—21st June
Yr1 Visit to Millbridge Care Home—28th June
Class Visits to Wild Ken Hill—Dates TBC

Please see this useful link to Norfolk County Council's website for any Nursery application or funding queries—

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/children-and-families/childcare-and-early-learning/free-childcare-and-learning/free-childcare-for-all-3-and-4-year-olds

## MENU Changes

The Menu changes after Easter, the new menu is available on our website and has been posted on Class Dojo. Vegan and free-from versions are available on request.



#### The importance of good attendance

The Government strives for every pupil to achieve 97% attendance. Every day away from school is a day away from

learning and this can have an impact on a child's education and future accomplishments.

We want every child to enjoy school and achieve their potential in education and life beyond. We are always here to talk through any issues and help find solutions. Parents are always a phone call away if a child is too ill to continue their day, please encourage them to try to give the day a go, children often feel much better once they are in class.

The Government has issued new attendance guidance and targets to all schools, you may receive regular texts informing you of the number of days that your child has been absent in a term/year. The Government hope that this personal approach will make parents more aware of how the odd day adds up and help keep you informed.

#### **Heacham Infant & Nursery School**

If you have a matter that you wish to discuss with our Headteacher Louise Jackson, our Deputy Headteacher Emma Hunt or our Assistant Head Claire Dack, please make an appointment at the school office and we will be very happy to chat to you.

We want everyone to feel welcome in our school and also to ensure that children's safety, learning and happiness are always our priority.

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