



TOGETHER WE EXPLORE, DISCOVER, ACHIEVE AND GROW

Dear families

**The last day of
school is
Wednesday
27th March**

**We come back
to School on
Monday 15th
April**

It has been a short yet busy term. We are sure that you are all ready to make the most of the upcoming break!

We continue to provide a range of experiences to ensure that pupils benefit from wider developmental opportunities. This term these have included - among others - Red Nose Day and World Book Day, a reading Café, a trip to Lynn Museum and a visit from PC Norris from Norfolk Police: not forgetting our hugely popular after school clubs!

Parents' Evenings were a success! It was wonderful to see so many families attending. It always provides the perfect opportunity for staff to share an overall picture of your child's progress - as well as a chance to look through books!

We are proud to have been awarded the Artsmark Silver Award, which continues to recognise our commitment to sustain an artistic culture across our schools. We also achieved the Carer Friendly Tick Award this term - particular thanks to Steph Johnson and the Junior Leadership Team who worked hard to secure this for the school.

Enjoy the Easter break. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 15th April - start of the summer term.

Best wishes

Emma Hunt



The Nest and Sparrows

This half term we have been looking at different modes of transport. We have looked at where and how they move around, how fast they go and what transport we would need to travel to different places.

We have discovered jungles and rainforests and all the amazing creatures who live there. We have looked at African animals and the patterns of their fur/skin and read the story of Handa's surprise, learning about and tasting lots of different fruits.

Closer to home we have been looking at places of interest and businesses which are important to our village. We have had a police visit, learnt about road safety and enjoyed dressing up for world book day and red nose day.

Goldfinches

This half term we have been learning about the emergency services. We were really lucky and had a visit from the police and their riot van. We even visited the RNLI and learned how to be safe on the beach.

We've been doing really well with phonics and we have started to learn numbers 10-20.

Have a great Easter !

Kingfishers

This half term Kingfishers have learnt;

- about caring for our wonderful world
- Kings of the past
- the story of Palm Sunday
- how to keep ourselves healthy
- Set 3 sounds in phonics
- repeated addition in maths
- using adjectives to describe things and add details to our writing
- about architecture - and had a visit from architects
- enjoyed World Book Day and Red Nose Day!

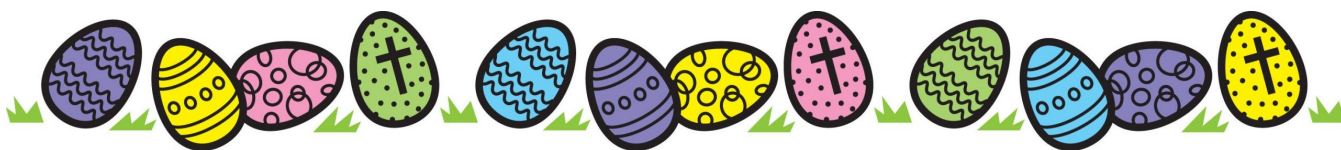
Owls

Owls have had a fantastic half term and squeezed in lots of new learning! In English the children are continuing to write instructions and are now writing their own instructions on how to look after their very own mythical creature. In maths we have been looking at fractions so the children will know how to share their Easter eggs equally into half, quarters and thirds!

In Science we have enjoyed learning all about atoms and materials. We have had fun exploring the suitability of materials and investigated the best material for a mop.

In art we have been learning about still life, the children have produced some fantastic art work. In History we have been learning all about the Romans and had a fantastic visit to Kings Lynn museum where we got to taste Roman food, make Iceni face masks and jewellery, play Roman games, look at artefacts and act out what it would be like to be a Roman soldier, it was great fun!

We would like to wish you all a lovely Easter break and look forward to welcoming you back for the final term.



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/Enquiries/Citizen/Freeschoolmeals.aspx> or e-mail the office for an application form.





Tuesday— SSP Dance with Mrs Munro
Wednesday— Nature Club with Miss Bennett
Thursday— Art Club with Mrs Waters

Please email the school office to book a place. Preference will be given to those who did not take part last half term. 1 club per child.



15th April—Return to School—New Lunch Menu from today
23rd April—Trigolf Festival
29th April—Life Skills Worksop 2pm—Parents welcome
9th May—Class Group Photos
15th May—Kingfishers Sandringham Trip
22nd May—JLT Cake Sale
5th June—Owls swimming at Oasis (runs for 6 weeks)
18th June—SSP Dance Competition (PM performance)

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-early-learning/free-childcare-for-all-3-and-4-year-olds>

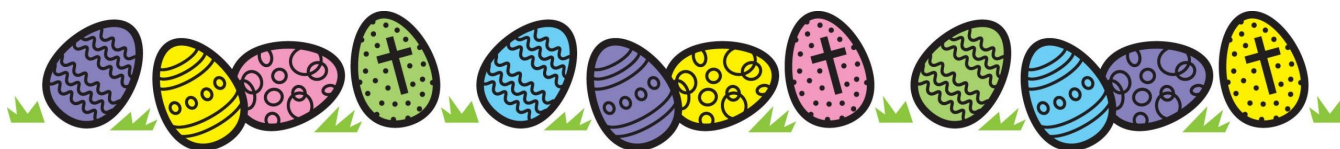
Early Years Finance can be contacted on 01603 222300.



Emergency Contacts

If any of your details have changed or you would like to add or remove an emergency contact please email the school office with the details—office@heachaminfant.co.uk

It is school policy that we hold at least TWO emergency contacts for every child.



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 in-



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.

Phone: 01485 570357 Email: office@heachaminfant.co.uk



Norfolk County Council

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning:

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year.

19 days lost a year through being late means 90% attendance.



missed minutes = missed learning opportunities!

Enrichment

Here's a list of some of the exciting enrichment activities Heacham Infant school has offered children already this year:-

Reading Cafes
Book Fair Book Competition
Phonics Sessions
Kings Lynn Museum Trip
Sealife Centre Trip
Village Walks
Celebration Event
Active Kids Festival
Dance Festival
Police Visit
Professor Pancake Visit
Architect Visit
Zoom Meeting with Scotland
PE Support from Tracy Bower
After School Clubs including Mad Science
World Book Day
Mental Health Week
NSPCC Number Day
Sport Leaders Meetings
Poetry Recitals
JLT visit to Rebecca Court

We hope to offer many more throughout the summer term!





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Beginner Music

Ensembles

A wonderful opportunity to make music together

Starting Wednesday 17th April

Springing Strings (String Orchestra): Suitable for all Stringed Instruments (Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass)

'Masterblasters' (Concert Band): Suitable for all Woodwind (Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon), Brass (Trumpet, Cornet, Horn, Trombone, Tuba) and Percussion.

Where: Springwood High School

When: Wednesdays, 3.45-4.45pm (term time)

Who: Beginner to Grade 2; any ages up to 12 who are starting on their musical journey

Cost: FREE

As part of our ongoing commitment to make music available to all, Springwood High School is excited to announce the formation of two new Beginner Music Ensembles after Easter. Each group will be led by two experienced professional musicians/teachers.

Suitable for Primary-aged children and also those in Year 7 who are starting on their musical journey the groups will be aimed for those that have been playing for around a term to approximately Grade 2 standard.

To register interest please complete the form at <https://forms.gle/FLoL91R9Hvi2qTwa8>

