



Newsletter

TOGETHER WE EXPLORE, DISCOVER, ACHIEVE AND GROW

The last day of school is Friday 13th February

We come back to School on Monday 23rd February

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of a busy first half of the Spring Term, I would like to thank you for helping us with our school community events. I would also like to thank our PTA for arranging so many enjoyable experiences and fund raising for the children at Heacham Infant School. We really do appreciate this support!

Many of you met with our Family Hub worker Alexis and Amy from the SEND and Community Team at the school recently. Please let me know if you appreciated this contact and we will continue to invite professionals to our school to support you. Don't forget to book into the Adult Education courses that were advertised recently - making story sacks and developing maths with your child has been successful in the past.

Our attendance is a focus next term with a big push on punctuality and we need your support with this. Please make sure your child is in school regularly and on time - if there are any barriers to this we can offer support so please contact the office for a meeting.

Enjoy the half term break!

Best wishes

Louise Jackson



Sparrows

The children this half term have been learning about lots of different traditional fairy stories. We have been reading Goldilocks and the three bears, Jack and the beanstalk and the gingerbread man amongst others. This has given us lots of opportunities to look at different characters, real and not real, talking about good choices and bad choices and keeping safe. We have been size ordering and talking about weight. We have experimented with gingerbread biscuits and what happens when they are put into water and how the gingerbread man could safely cross the river. We have grown our own beanstalks and of course taken the opportunity to enjoy gingerbread biscuits and porridge for snack.

The children have really enjoyed making story maps and coming up with ways to change the story using their own ideas, they have also drawn their favourite characters from books, looked at different houses and places to live in the real world and in stories!

Goldfinches

We can't believe another half term has flown by! Goldfinches have had a fantastic few weeks exploring London and its famous landmarks on our very own virtual tour bus. We have learnt all about our king, his role, and even designed our own royal outfits. The excitement continued with our very own royal banquet! In class, the children are making amazing progress with their phonics, starting to explore special friends (two letters making one sound). We also enjoyed the story of Quackling and loved creating our own versions of the tale. What a brilliant half term – we can't wait for all the fun and learning the next half term in Goldfinches will bring!

Kingfishers

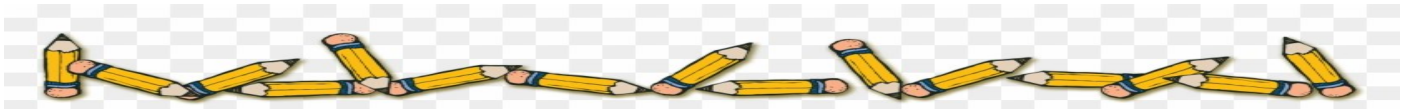
As we reach the end of the first half of the Spring term, Kingfishers have had a busy and exciting time! Firstly, I would just like to say I hope kingfishers have enjoyed all their learning this term and a huge well done for all the hard work and effort. This term has been an interesting term with lots of exciting topics! In DT we have been learning about Food Technology and have been practising our kitchen skills! We have been making our own smoothies and sandwiches. Kingfishers had fun experimenting with different ingredients and learning about creating a healthy meal. In maths we've been focusing on length and height. Kingfishers have enjoyed measuring objects around the classroom, measuring themselves, comparing sizes and using rulers to develop their understanding on these concepts. Our science lessons have been all about weather and we have been outside putting our new knowledge into practice. We made our own rain gauge and tested it out. We have learnt about different types of clouds and done some cloud spotting in the playground and discovered how and why the weather changes through the seasons! We hope you all have an enjoyable and restful half-term.

Well done! From Miss Hardingham, Miss Minns and Mrs Varley

Owls

This half term, Owls have been working really hard with their learning. We have explored the British Isles in Geography, learning to locate places using atlases and marking them on maps. In Art we have looked at self-portraits and created our own artwork including details, using watercolours. Maths has been varied from multiplication and division through to mass and capacity. A letter from Jack (and the Beanstalk) and Superworm have been our key texts in English, while RE learning has focused on prayer in the religion of Islam. Science lessons have been learning about the human body, including the skeleton, digestive system and muscle function.

We are looking forward to our new topics coming up next half term and thank you for all your support with our weekly spellings and homework challenges!

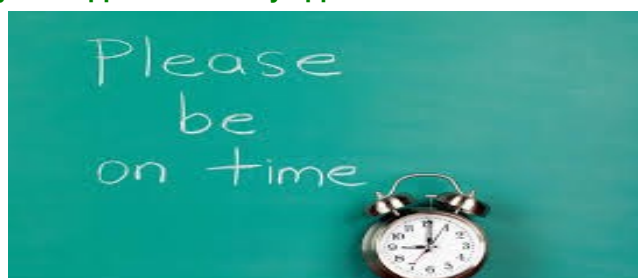


Punctuality

We have a busy schedule every day which starts with register and phonics. Please can you ensure that you come into the playground just before 8.30am so children are on time for school. Remember to supervise them and not use the bikes please. This also true for all Nursery sessions. Unfortunately, due to our safeguarding policy Mrs Wacey will not be able to let families through the front door to enter the school, so please be on time for school and Nursery.

Ms Jackson will also be checking teachers are punctual at the end of the day so you can get to Junior school to collect siblings.

Thank you so much for your support. We really appreciate it.





Tuesday— SSP Dance with Miss Johnson continues

Wednesday— Art Club with Mrs Tilbrook (work will be entered into the NCT School Art Competition)

Thursday— TBC

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.



W/C 02.03.26—Parents Evening—sign up sheets will be outside classrooms

05.03.26—World Book Day and Parent Café at 2.30pm

05.03.26—Special Lunch—Hot Dogs

10.03.26—SSP Dance Festival PM Performance—KL Corn Exchange

20.03.26—PTA Easter Fayre 2.30pm

25.03.26—Book Fair Arrives at School

27.03.26—School Closes for Easter Holidays



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>

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 should at least 2 emergency contacts for every child.

Please also remember to let us know any address changes ASAP



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 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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Vouchers for Free School Meal Eligible Pupils - ENDING

Families who currently receive Edenred vouchers, through the Housing Support Funding scheme (HSF), will receive their last vouchers in March. Any unspent vouchers should be redeemed as soon as possible, the March vouchers must be redeemed within the three-month timeframe to ensure they do not expire.

Although HSF is coming to an end, there will be ongoing support for families in crisis. We would encourage people to visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/costofliving which will be kept up to date with any help on offer.

If families are in difficulty, we would encourage them to contact Family Hub services

www.norfolk.gov.uk/familyhubs where there is broader support on debt and welfare rights.



ClassDojo

A gentle reminder about using ClassDojo

ClassDojo is a great way for us to share homework and home learning opportunities, and we love seeing families engage with it. To help communication run smoothly, please remember:

Important messages (such as illness, absence, changes to collection, behaviour concerns, or anything urgent) must be sent directly to the school office.

While teachers do their very best, we can't always guarantee messages on ClassDojo will be seen straight away or responded to promptly.

Teachers also have designated downtime and won't be checking or responding to messages in the evenings or at weekends – thank you for understanding .

Using the office for important information helps us make sure nothing is missed and that children are kept safe and supported .

Thank you so much for your continued support and cooperation!



The PTA have organised for bunches of daffodils wrapped in paper decorated by your child to be in school on 13th March

Flower SALE

If you would like your children to participate it's £1 per bunch and these will be bought home for them to give as presents whether it's for mother's day or just a thank you, this is a pay it forward activity please pay on link <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QRQBIBB8> or find a pta member by 6th March to confirm numbers, your child can do as many as you would like and will be decorating the paper the week of mother's day ready many thanks



You're invited to

**HEACHAM INFANT
AND NURSERY
SCHOOL EASTER
FAYRE, RAFFLE AND
STALLS**

20th March 2026

2.30pm onwards

Please remember your loose
change

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BE HAD SEE YOU
THERE!**